



Alpha Phi Omega, or **APO**, was founded by Scouts for Scouts — transporting the Scouting commitment to service into college, where service projects are a great way to give back, make friends and strengthen résumés.

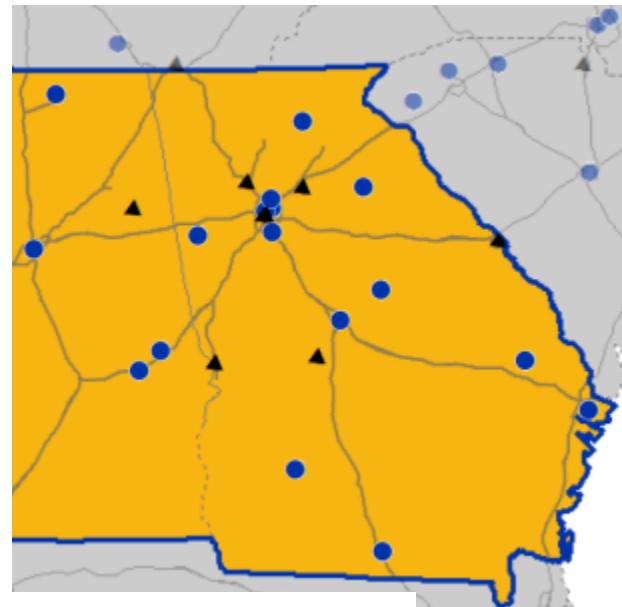
In fact, you'll still find APO in the Scouts BSA Handbook. Page 438 (of both editions, boys and girls) tells readers

that APO "encourages its members to continue their **Scouting** involvement through college connections."

APO is a **service** fraternity (rather than social, academic or professional), meaning young people can be APO members while still joining other Greek life organizations.

You'll find **APO Chapters** all over the United States (and even in Canada and the Philippines). There's a Chapter at the University of Alaska - Anchorage, the University of Miami (FL), and pretty much everywhere in between. 270 chapters in the US!

To see if there's an APO chapter at your alma mater or a school your Scout is considering, use the chapter locator tool at  
<https://apo.org/start-a-chapter/chapter-map/>



#### Active Chapters

Alabama A & M University	Pi Epsilon
Albany State University	Psi Sigma
Armstrong Atlantic State University	Rho Beta
Auburn University	Delta
Clayton State University	Alpha Eta Zeta
Emory University	Delta Kappa
Georgia Institute of Technology-Main Campus	Gamma Zeta
Georgia Military College	Alpha Epsilon Pi
Georgia Southern University	Nu Epsilon
Mercer University	Delta Iota
Mississippi State University	Epsilon Iota
Mississippi Valley State University	Alpha Epsilon Phi
Oglethorpe University	Mu Mu
Samford University	Gamma Chi
Tulane University of Louisiana	Gamma Upsilon
Tuskegee University	Pi Zeta
University of Georgia	Beta Zeta
University of Mississippi	Epsilon Omega
University of North Georgia	Alpha Zeta Nu
University of West Alabama	Alpha Delta Pi
University of West Georgia	Epsilon Eta
Valdosta State University	Sigma Iota

#### Current Extension Efforts

Clark Atlanta University
Columbus State University
Fort Valley State University
Jacksonville State University

#### Prospective Schools

Delta State University	Georgia State University	University of North Alabama
Georgia Gwinnett College	Kennesaw State University	University of South Alabama
Georgia Regents University	Mississippi University for Women	University of Southern Mississippi

# LEADERS OF SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

## for Eagle Scouts

**APO Eagles** the Eagle Scout Alumni Association of Alpha Phi Omega, National Service Fraternity (APO), and National Affiliate of the National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) is proud to sponsor a Scholarship for college-bound scouts. The program seeks to recognize Scouts who have demonstrated they are leaders, are friends with all, and are of service to the communities in which they live.



A scholarship between **\$2,000** and **\$5,000** will be awarded to an Eagle Scout who has shown active participation in school, Scouting activities, and community service. In addition, they will have demonstrated a commitment to Leadership Friendship & Service. The first award for this program will be made in June 2022 with recognition of the winner(s) and national finalists during the Fall Semester.

Nowhere is this better exemplified than in the rank of **Eagle Scout**, the highest attainable rank in Scouting. Scouts must demonstrate proficiency in leadership, service, and outdoor skills at multiple levels before achieving the Eagle Scout rank; fewer than 4 percent of Scouts earn the coveted rank. Over the past century, the hard-earned rank has become widely recognized—both in and outside of Scouting—as a mark of distinction. This scholarship will reward those who have gone above and beyond.



# FAQs ABOUT APO

## When was APO founded?

- » Alpha Phi Omega is a national service fraternity founded on the principles of Leadership, Friendship, and Service. It is a non-traditional Greek-letter organization founded in 1925 at Lafayette College in Easton, Pennsylvania.
- » APO was founded by Frank Reed Horton, a Boy Scout. The organization incorporates some of the same traditions. However, APO is a completely separate organization with its own membership policies, bylaws and operation policies.

## Is APO just for men?

- » APO is co-educational. It has accepted women as members since 1976.

## How is APO different than other organizations?

- » Brotherhood is what distinguishes APO from other organizations – students do not solely conduct service, but they also serve alongside people who have become their friends.
- » There is an additional emphasis on leadership development in APO that doesn't exist in Circle K, Rotary Club or other Greek-lettered service organizations.
- » There is no religious or other affiliation required.
- » There are many opportunities for alumni engagement and volunteer support.

## Do members of APO live in houses?

- » There are no Fraternity houses or living quarters on or off any campus.
- » The only space a chapter really needs on campus is a mailbox. The ability to reserve meeting space and a campus office is beneficial but is not a requirement to fulfilling the mission of leadership, friendship and service on campus or in the community.

## **SERVICE**

## Are chapters required to conduct certain service projects?

- » The four fields of service members complete are service to the campus, community, nation and Fraternity. The mission of Alpha Phi Omega is to develop student leaders through service, so providing diverse service opportunities to as many students as possible makes for the best leadership development.
- » As a National Fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega does not have a specific service requirement that chapters must fulfill. Each of the 370 chapters to develop its own LFS programs and requirements.
- » The only national service expectation is to report whether the chapter participated in a National Service Week and Spring Youth Service Day project or not. Chapters that do participate in these national programs and thoroughly report have an opportunity to be featured in Fraternity publications and can become eligible for awards.

## Does APO have national partners?

- » APO has many national partners, and there is not just one focus on a particular philanthropy or cause that the Fraternity supports.

- » These partners include the Boy Scouts of America, the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, America's Promise, Youth Service America, the Jared Box, American Cancer Society's Relay For Life, among others.

## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

### What is servant leadership?

- » Alpha Phi Omega promotes the concept of servant leadership, which is about building relationships with others and turning ideas into reality.
- » APO aspires to train all members to exemplify the qualities of servant leaders.

### How do students develop leadership through APO?

- » Elected and appointed officers are not the only leaders. Students develop leadership qualities through events centered on the principles of service and friendship.
- » At the national level, there are many leadership development initiatives, including the five-part APO LEADS program, APO IMPACT webinars and on-demand Online Learning Center courses.

## BROTHERHOOD

### Why do members use the term “brotherhood” if it is a co-ed organization?

- » Brotherhood is a term the Fraternity uses to describe the friendships created between members.
- » Periodically, legislation is discussed at the biennial National Convention to abandon the term “brother”. However, members continuously vote to keep it; it is interesting to note that the women voting are largely responsible for keeping the term.

### How is brotherhood developed and fostered?

- » Chapters foster brotherhood through fellowship activities, such as movie nights, sharing meals, and going to sports and cultural events together. Risk management is part of all of programming.
- » Retreats

## GREEK LIFE

### Is Alpha Phi Omega part of Greek life on campus?

- » Despite having Greek letters, Alpha Phi Omega is not a social Greek organization.
- » APO does not participate in IFC, Panhellenic, or any other Greek governing bodies.
- » APO has an open membership policy, so any member of a social Greek organization or any other organization on campus is allowed to be a part of Alpha Phi Omega.

### How does the National Fraternity prefer to be classified on campus?

- » APO prefers to be a student service and leadership organization.
- » APO encourages brotherhood, but also operates to promote leadership development and service to the campus, community and nation.

**More information is available at [www.APO.org](http://www.APO.org)**