

National Aluvina Initiate Program

Alpha Chi Omega shapes the future through the powerful, transformative and everlasting connections of real, strong women. The National Alumna Initiate Program (NAIP) extends our membership experience to real, strong women in our communities who identify with the <u>mission and values</u> of Alpha Chi Omega and care about our <u>philanthropic initiatives</u>. Candidates should not already be members of another National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) or National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) sorority.

PROCESS FROM APPLICATION TO MEMBERSHIP

- 1. **Application:** Interested women should complete the online <u>alumna initiate application</u>.
- 2. **Individual Sponsorship**: Each candidate should be sponsored by an Alpha Chi Omega member in good standing. The individual sponsor completes the online <u>individual sponsorship form</u>.
- 3. **Group Sponsorship:** Each candidate must also be sponsored by a collegiate chapter, alumnae chapter or group of at least three alumnae. The group completes the online group sponsorship form.
- 4. **Interview:** Once all three of the forms above are received, the candidate will talk, typically by phone or video chat, with two members of the National Alumna Initiate Program panel. The panel members will share more information about membership in Alpha Chi Omega and ask about the candidate's interest in membership.
- 5. **Membership Acceptance:** The National Alumna Initiate Program panel will review the candidate's application and either approve or deny her request for membership. If approved, the candidate will sign a Membership Acceptance Form.
- 6. **Education:** After accepting the offer for membership, the candidate is paired with an alumna educator to learn about the history, values and structure of Alpha Chi Omega. Incorporating alumnae-specific materials, the educational process involves a mix of phone calls, video calls and emails to make the process as convenient as possible.
- 7. **Exam:** After the education process is complete, the candidate must take an initiation exam and pass with a minimum score of 70%.
- 8. **Initiation Ceremony:** The candidate participates in an initiation ceremony with a collegiate chapter, alumnae chapter or group of at least seven Alpha Chi Omega members. She is then a lifetime member of Alpha Chi Omega!

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

- **Sponsorship:** If a candidate does not have an individual or group sponsor, the NAIP team can connect her with alumnae in her area who can share more about Alpha Chi Omega and potentially serve as sponsors.
- **Financial Obligations:** A candidate completing the process must pay an initiation fee of \$175 and purchase a badge, which ranges from \$95 to \$500.