

## Philanthropy:

Sigma Nu national sponsors St. Jude's Children's Hospitals. Our chapter's philanthropy benefits breast cancer and food banks. We host *Kicks for a Cause*, a soccer tournament with sororities. We hosted kickball with Special Olympics Missouri.

We participate in Homecoming, Greek Week, and philanthropies of fraternities and sororities on campus, winning the Kappa Alpha Theta soccer tournament in 2020.



## Social Activities:

Sigma Nu participates in many socials, mixers, and other events throughout the school year, such as paintball and Venture Out ropes course, plus intramural sports.

In Fall, we go to Memphis for our White Rose Formal. In Spring, we host a semi-formal event at the Lake of the Ozarks. We have chapter tailgates and group seating for football and basketball games.

We host a Fall father's weekend during a Mizzou football game, and a Spring mother's weekend.



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## Sigma Nu Rho Chapter

University of  
Missouri - Columbia



Recruitment  
Spring 2021



## Introduction:

With 2,600+ members since our local founding in 1886, Rho Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity has an extensive 135-year history at the University of Missouri. Our core values are *love, honor, and truth*, and our vision is *excelling with honor*. We emphasize our commitment to academic excellence and leadership development. Our Chapter will prepare you for a successful, enjoyable college experience during which you will form bonds with your brothers that last long after graduation.

This pamphlet provides more information regarding our 155-man chapter, with 70 living in a new \$6M house. Don't hesitate to contact the officers listed on the back for more information.

Good luck with recruitment and we hope to speak with you soon.

## History

Three cadets at the Virginia Military Institute founded Sigma Nu during the Reconstruction period after the Civil War. The system of physical abuse and hazing of underclassmen at VMI inspired James Frank Hopkins, Greenfield Quarles, and James McIlvaine Riley to form the "Legion of Honor," or Sigma Nu, a non-hazing fraternity; a radical departure from the times.

Over the past 150 years, Sigma Nu has grown into one of the largest fraternal organizations in the world. Over 230,000 men have been initiated into Sigma Nu from over 275 chapters all over the United States and Canada.

Rho Chapter was the 16th charter granted by Sigma Nu and the second fraternity at the University of Missouri-Columbia. George R. McVey came to Columbia in the first week of January 1886 with the expressed intent of forming a new chapter. In its 135-year history at the University of Missouri, Rho Chapter has never had its charter revoked, the only fraternity on campus with this distinction.

On January 26, 1886 the first five members of Rho Chapter were initiated. While the group still felt some hesitation about revealing their actions, the five charter members and McVey decided to parade down Broadway wearing the badge of the fraternity to show their commitment to Sigma Nu. Thus began Rho Chapter's glorious history.

## Academics

At Sigma Nu, academic achievement is the highest priority. Our scholastic chairman assists the entire Chapter, especially new candidates, to achieve full potential by helping with selection of courses, study skills, and other academic concerns. A disciplined, daily study schedule helps insure a smooth transition for new candidates from high school into a collegiate atmosphere. A Speed-Reading course is provided.

**Overall House GPA:  
3.383 Spring 2020  
Average 3.0+ since 2013**

**New Member GPA:  
3.344 Rank #10 SP 2020**

## Sigma Nu Facts

- 11<sup>th</sup> oldest active ΣN chapter in the U.S.
- ΣN is the only MU chapter that has never been removed by its nationals HQ.
- Rho Chapter received the University's Academic Achievement Banner twice in the past few years.
- Rho Chapter has raised thousands of dollars for various philanthropies.