

Delta Sigma Lambda

Frequently Asked Questions

Who can join?

The requirements for membership are that you be a female student enrolled at ODU who is 25 years old or over who has had a break in her education at some point and returned to college.

What does Delta Sigma Lambda do?

Delta Sigma Lambda holds many events for socializing and networking for the sisters to get to know one another. We also do some community service and co-sponsorships. To see some of our activities, go to the meeting time link.

How old do you have to be to join?

To join, you have to be 25 or over.

Why do I have to be 25 or over to join?

The club was established in 1956 under these rules, and we keep with that tradition. There are many organizations open to all ages and many that are designed more for younger students. This just happens to be designed for women 25 and over.

When is the membership drive or when can I join?

Our membership drives are in the beginning of the fall and spring semesters; however, you can join at anytime during those semesters. We have deadlines for participation in certain programs; if you join after those deadlines participation in certain programs may be impractical. The deadlines for each semester are listed under the 'events' page.

How can I join?

To join, you must fill out the application and turn in the dues. Both can be turned in at the Women's Center. The application is available on our website or at the Women's Center.

How much are dues?

Dues are \$50 for the whole year or \$30 per semester.

Where do the dues go?

The dues are used to help supplement our activities and meals, especially things we do off campus. In addition, members have the possibility of winning door prizes at some events, and we have small gifts for new members.

I can't get to the Women's Center before 5:00 to drop off my dues, is there a mailing address?

This happens sometimes with adult schedules, so you can mail it to this address.

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I have kids but am not over 25, can I join?

Even if you have children, if you are not 25 or over, you do not qualify.

Where can I find more information?

Beyond this website, the Women's Center has some information on its website and we co-sponsor a Returning Women's Reception in the fall with them. Also, our group has recruitment periods during the fall and spring.

Can I be a male and join if I'm 25 or over?

We understand that there are many men 25 or over on campus, but this group was created for women as a female sorority.

Is there a group like this on campus for men?

As of right now, there isn't one that we are aware of, but it only takes one person to start the process.

Are you Greek?

No, we are not part of the Greek system on campus. We are classified, according to OSAL, as a personal development organization.

Do you have a rush period?

No, we do not rush.

Can anyone on campus come to a meeting?

If someone stops by a meeting, we will give them this website address to find more information or answer a specific question. The meetings are for members to interact, find common interests and build networks.

When do you have meetings?

Typically, we have meetings on weekends because of the busy schedules of the members. However, many of the events we co-sponsor are during the week.

Can I bring guests to meetings?

Most meetings are closed to members only, but we have some events that are open to guests. That list is on the website.

Can guests come to events?

There are some events that are open to guests and those would be listed on the meeting time link.

Why can't we bring guests to all the events/meetings?

The goal of the group is to gain support and networking with the sisters. Generally, when sisters bring guests, they do not socialize as much with the group.

Who decides on the scholarship?

The alumnae group has a committee that decides who receives the scholarships. The on-campus group does not have anything to do with the scholarship or the distribution of the scholarship.

How old do you have to be eligible for the scholarship?

You have to be 25 or over to be eligible.

Who is eligible for the scholarship?

Any woman 25 or over, who has had a break during her college career and returned, is eligible for the scholarship. You must be registered ODU students in good standing. You can be

undergrad or grad students. You must have completed at least one year toward the degree and be taking enough credits to be considered half time. This is a need based scholarship.

Do you have to be a member of DSL to get the scholarship?

No, you do not have to be a DSL member to be eligible for the scholarship.

How can I apply for the scholarship?

There is a form linked to the scholarship information page. You need to fill out the form by the deadline and return it to the address listed on that form.

Who is eligible to join the alumnae?

Any woman 25 years or over who has had a break in her education, and who attended ODU at some point in her education.