



Best Practices for Inter-Chapter Relations

Inter-Chapter Relations (ICR) refers to events and activities that include two or more Phi Sigma Pi Chapters. Whether you are hosting or invited to attend, being part of a National organization means that you will have the opportunity to make connections with fellow Members from all over the country. Here are some ways to make the most of opportunities to engage with other Chapters near and far:

1 Communicate

If you're interested in engaging with other Chapters, start by reaching out. Most Chapters have an individual elected to an ICR position who will be responsible for facilitating communication. It's easy to do--just start by introducing your Chapter and finding out how the other Chapter would like to interact

2 Plan Ahead

Planning an event with two or more Chapters can be even more challenging than planning a Chapter event. Be sure to check the school calendars of all Chapters when choosing a date. You'll want to plan as far in advance as possible and be sure to consider travel time for the Chapters who are not hosting the event.

3 Follow Up

Just like with any other event, be sure to spend time afterwards discussing what went well and what can be improved. Share feedback with all the Chapters, to ensure stronger relations.

Annual Events

Several chapters currently host large-scale ICR events on an annual basis. While many of these events are extremely successful, keep in mind that executing ICR events takes a great deal of planning and collaboration.

If your Chapter would like to host a large-scale ICR event that will grow and become successful over time, start by considering what kind of event you would like to host.

Here are the types of events that have successfully brought Chapters together:

- Sports tournaments
- Football tailgating
- Cookouts
- Ice skating
- Visiting historical sites
- Trips to a zoo or aquarium
- Amusement parks
- Beach trips