Questions:

- 1. Spades, Hearts, Clubs or Diamonds. Which one are you and why? (150 words max)
- If there was a choice for me to define myself as any suit, I would be Diamond. The reason I believe Diamond would *suit* me is because of the concept of a "diamond in the rough." The perception of a diamond in the rough is that it is an individual that has potential to do big things but does not have enough experience yet. The reason I consider myself as a Diamond in the rough is because I understand that as an individual, I have the potential to make change occur. I am optimistic in knowing that I can create change, but also understand that in order to do so, I would need more experience and training in developing my skills in business first.
- 2. If you were a brother of Alpha Kappa Psi, how would you contribute professionally to the brotherhood? (150 words max)

If I were a brother of Alpha Kappa Psi, I would contribute skills learned from my experiences in customer service, such as problem solving and confidence. Through my work in the retail and food industry, as well as participating in a sales-oriented internship, I have learned valuable skills that I could help other brothers work on. In regards to problem solving, I had to think fast in situations that presented to be issues. Using my experiences, I could help with developing critical thinking and problem solving skills. As for confidence, I believe that I am well-versed in communicating with others and not being afraid to get my ideas out. Through practicing with brothers, I know I can help them with being more confident in situations.

3. Out of all the applicants, what do you think makes you unique? Why do you believe you should be extended a bid? (200 words max)

Out of all the applicants, I think the biggest thing that makes me unique is the extent of optimism I have. Though many individuals are optimistic in some way, what makes me stand out is the fact that I understand when to stop pursing something. For example, when I was in high school, I started an arts club in efforts to allow people to express their creativity. At first, a lot of people attended and everything seemed to be going as planned. As the year went on, less and less

members attended the meetings. After one last effort to get more members to join the club, I realized that it was ok for things to not go as planned and to "give up" on something. I believe my optimistic yet realistic view is what makes me stand out because I continually pursue my passions but understand when to stop pursing something.