



AKΨ Gamma Nu Application

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Full Name: Christopher Lally

Expected Graduation Date (Month/Year): May, 2020

1. Have you previously rushed Alpha Kappa Psi? (Yes/No): No

2. What other organizations/extracurriculars are you a part of?

Code (e-board), Babson Outdoors Association (member), E-Tower (general community)

**3. How will you contribute to the fraternity? (max 300 words)**

I hope to have the opportunity to contribute as much as I can to the fraternity. I know the accomplishments of both the current brothers and alumni are very much the product of being in AKPsi. I have already seen friends grow from the fraternity both personally and professionally.

Professionally, I hope to help others by leveraging my experiences and skillsets. Like many Babson students, business has been a passion of mine for many years. I was lucky enough to have mentors and a family to encourage my entrepreneurial endeavors in high school. That passion has continued over the past few years as a college student while working on various projects.

Over the past summer I lived in a house with Babson alumni and upperclassmen running their own companies or apart of already successful startups. This opportunity uncovered the importance of surrounding myself with ambitious and easy-going people. We had plenty of fun, but always knew when it was time to get the hard work done.

This past summer I also continued to peruse my love for technology while designing and building websites both with Jinn and on a freelance basis. I also continued to work with the various adobe products I began working with in high school including Photoshop, Illustrator, Premiere, and Dreamweaver. These are some skills I have developed over the years, and I know there are many brothers in different industries who can probably benefit from them. If any brother was ever working on a project and needed help with a website or visual editing I hope to be a resource for them.

In addition to my personal skillset, I hope to honestly just be there for the brothers if they need ever need me as friend.

4. How do you measure success? (max 300 words)

I measure success based upon the positive impact that was made. This mindset may sound vague, yet I have been able to apply it to every endeavor I have set my mind to achieving. If a goal was not reached yet someone was helped or something was learned, I consider the outcome to be far from a failure.

Going into high school this was far from my reality. During this time in my life I was motivated almost entirely by money. I measured my own success solely by how much I made...end of story. This lead to taking shortcuts and damaging relationships with friends, neighbors, teachers, and even family.

Thankfully, I quickly learned that there is way more to life than just money.

My Eagle Scout project is what I think back to when I reflect upon when this mindset first became distinctly tangible for me. The looks on the kids' faces after making the delivery to their children's shelter made me recognize the power I had to impact the lives of others to a



significant degree. Not everything I have done since then has had an equally impactful effect, yet keeping this goal in mind has continued to motivate me and has gotten me to where I am today.

5. What previous experience from your past makes you feel like you relate to AKPsi?

I was first introduced to AKPsi through Ryan Lavery who told me the brothers are similar to our group of friends from high school in the sense that there is a bond beyond surface level friendship. After having the opportunity to meet all the brothers in person through the events and over meals, I know he was definitely right. The vibe the fraternity is similar to that of my closest friends from before Babson and seems to be exactly what I have been looking for in college, even if I didn't really know it until now. I honestly didn't even know what a business fraternity encompassed until this year, yet after spending the past few weeks really getting to know the brothers I am excited to even have the opportunity to join the fraternity.

Spending about six years in scouting gave me my earliest sense of community within a group I truly considered family. Growing up with the same group of kids, going on monthly camping trips, learning from the older scouts, and being able to teach the younger ones built trust upon friendships I otherwise would not have found in high school.

The sports teams I have had the opportunity to be a part of have also helped me relate to many of the aspects of AKPsi. I competed on Lacrosse, Track, Cross Country, and Ski Racing teams which all drove me to do my best both on and off the field (or the mountain). My Cross-Country team in particular helped me academically, especially when studying for exams or SAT's on long trips. Knowing how much my older teammates helped me motivated me to volunteer hundreds of hours tutoring, helping others apply to college, and even teaching Python during my senior year.

As cliché as it might sound, AKPsi seems like a group that can be relied on during both the ups and downs. I know I have been thankful when people have been there to help me in the past, and hope I can be there for those that need me.

Listening to other brothers speak about their interests and passions made me realize that we have many similar values. Having fun is important in every aspect of personal and professional life, and the brothers I have gotten to know are able to do so while also staying serious about doing well professionally.

Regardless of the outcome, I consider myself lucky to have had the opportunity to get to know many brothers in AKPsi. It is a group I can easily see myself fitting in with and am thankful for even being considered.