



AKY Gamma Nu Application

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Expected Graduation Date (Month/Year): May 2019

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

No, I have previously not rushed Alpha Kappa Psi.

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

On campus, I am a part of the executive board of the South Asian Student Association, *Aman*. I was elected as the Vice President of Marketing and the job primarily entails the detailed planning and promotion of various events on campus as well as off campus. The tasks include managing screenplay for dramatic work on stage, tailoring posters and flyers for each event, along with the recruitment of interested applicants for vacant chair positions.



Moreover, I am a part of the core team of the *Babson India Symposium* (BIS), and in particular, I lead the Sponsorship Committee. I am responsible for maintaining existing relationships

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between BIS and certain organizations and also forming new relationships, in order strategically raise funds for the main program.

Furthermore, in regard to extracurricular activities, I am a part of the *Create* club, which aims to underscore the value of Arts both inside and outside a business domain. Additionally, I am involved with the *Global Leadership Organization* (GLO), which predominantly focuses on the leadership capabilities of students, global awareness as well as community service.

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

As a little girl, I would habitually pick up a color pencil or crayon during my free time and start drawing on a blank piece of paper; and with time, this tendency became a passion. I have studied Visual Arts throughout my school life and I have explored various mediums such as, oils, mixed media, ceramics, stoneware clay, silk-screen, plaster, charcoals and wood.

Last summer, I worked as a design intern at Matrix Entertainment in Mumbai, where I lead a PR and Design group. The project required the team to design and market the online version of a famous local jewelry store. Besides that, I designed a few traditional Indian products for the new jewelry collection. Moreover, I helped the team modernize the required photoshoot for the new website of the company.

Through my experiences over the years, I discovered that I am more inclined to the sphere of Graphic Arts or Design; and I aspire to someday combine my understanding of business and my passion for Visual Arts to create a unique business of my own.

I believe that I could bring my creative skills to Alpha Kappa Psi and become a resource for Visual Arts at the fraternity. Besides design, I could potentially incorporate media, photography, marketing, both digital and creative, to related activities of the fraternity. Since, Alpha Kappa Psi includes a number of professionally diverse brothers, I aspire to introduce this specialized element of creativity to the array of professional inclinations at the fraternity. I believe that this would not only increase the diversity of skills present in this business-oriented fraternity but also help educate the fellow brothers on the different opportunities available to them.

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

My parents have always had exceptionally high academic expectations from me. So, naturally, I spent a large part of my adolescent years striving to excel at school. Over time, fulfilling their expectations became my personal definition of success, and working on college applications became the primary focus of my life.





Once, I got accepted to my dream school NYU and lived in New York for a few months, I began to expect something different from myself and my surroundings. Even though I was performing well academically or "succeeding," I continued to feel an incessant absence of something.

As time passed, I began to realize that the scattered campus of NYU made me feel disoriented and I lacked a sense of "school spirit." I felt drawn to a different college experience; I desired to feel the warmth of an amiable college campus, and simultaneously excel in a progressive environment, as an individual. I wanted to explore the world around me, meet new people, occasionally try something different, and learn.

Gradually, I discovered that my personal definition of success had refined through my experiences, and was more inclined towards the idea of self-progress and growth. Thus, I decided to apply to Babson College as a transfer student because I believed that I could truly succeed in such a professionally driven, yet social and close-knit environment. Now, I measure success in my capability to improve as an individual both socially and academically; in my ability to help others around me and learn from their experiences as well. In the short period of just one year, Babson has taught me that success does not always have to be quantified, it can be felt and sustained as long as one is passionate about his or her objectives.

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

The values of Alpha Kappa Psi that relate to me primarily, other than the professional aspect of the fraternity itself, are those of Brotherhood and Friendship.

I grew up as an only child and therefore, I share an extremely close bond with my parents. Both my father and mother are hardworking professionals, however, my father in particular, has an undying fire in his belly. He constantly motivates me to work towards my academic and professional goals and reminds me to learn from my failures. Therefore, my parents essentially are more like my friends, who serve as my safety net but also encourage me to continuously grow and achieve. Despite my friendship with my parents, I have often and quite naturally, found myself being deeply bothered by the absence of an actual sibling in my life. However, I hope to fill this void at Alpha Kappa Psi.

I believe that the environment of this fraternity is similar to that of my home. Alpha Kappa Psi not only binds people together on a professional basis but also, unites them through strong bonds of friendship. During the various events of the rush process, I observed the manner in which the brothers supported one another and seemed effortlessly content in their surroundings. I believe and hope I can find myself a brotherhood and family, away from home, at Alpha Kappa Psi.