



Financial Accountability

Your Priorities With Money: The College Years

Please rank the following in their order of importance to you (1 = most important, 5= least important). To help you evaluate your priorities, ask yourself the question, "Would I do without the lesser ranked items in order to have the money for this goal?"

- Paying for my utilities. _____
- Being able to afford trips back home during major class breaks. _____
- Going on a spring-break vacation with my friends. _____
- Eating out/socializing with friends during the week. _____
- Going on a vacation with my family. _____
- Managing my money without the use of a credit card. _____
- Paying for my fraternity bill. _____
- Paying for my housing/rent. _____
- Buying gifts for my fraternity brothers (Big Brothers, etc.) _____
- Eating out/socializing with friends on weekends. _____
- Maintaining my current life-style. _____
- Paying off my student loan early. _____
- Attending leadership/personal development conferences. _____
- Buying fashionable clothes for myself. _____
- Buying gifts for my family and friends (birthdays, holidays, etc.) _____
- Having a car at school. _____
- My hobbies (sports, crafts, etc.) _____
- Philanthropic/charitable giving. _____
- Buying Delta Chi sportswear and memorabilia _____
- Other (please explain): _____

You will find, if you rank your priorities each year, your ranking will change. Obviously, some of these priorities are "wants" not "needs." Since you have made a commitment to Delta Chi, your fraternity bill should be ranking in the top percentile. Talking about these priorities with your roommates, family and even your chapter financial advisor may help you manage your money.