

MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE
EAST LANSING

We, the undersigned members of Alpha Sig Colony, do hereby petition Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity to grant this organization the honor of being designated as a Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi, and agree, if said petitioning is granted to abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of Alpha Sigma Phi.

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THIS IS MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Michigan State University will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 1955.

In that span of 100 years M.S.U. has grown from a small college--the nation's first to teach agriculture as a science--into one of America's leading universities.

Today, more than 15,500 students on the East Lansing campus are enrolled in 126 courses of study. Thousands more, from over the state and even in far parts of the world, are assisted through M.S.U.'s programs of research, service and instruction.

Michigan State was founded in 1855 on the outskirts of Lansing as the Michigan Agricultural College. When the federal Morrill Act was created in 1862--establishing the land-grant educational system--Michigan State University became a model for many of the colleges and universities which later came into being. These institutions have drawn greatly upon the graduates, educational innovations and philosophies first developed on the East Lansing campus.

Having an enrollment of 3,000 in the 1920's, the East Lansing college prepared for the future and a larger educational program. Courses in applied science and liberal arts were added in 1921 and 1925. The Michigan legislature in 1925 changed the name of Michigan Agricultural College to Michigan State College. The name "Spartans" was applied to the football team for the first time in 1926. Although M.S.C is today a university in every sense of the word, the title Michigan State "College" has remained unchanged until July 1st, 1955.

On entering its 100th year Michigan State is proud of its heritage and its role as a pioneer in the land-grant system. This

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Leadership has done much to make the benefits of advanced learning available to all.

As Michigan State has continued to grow, so have its services to many people in all walks of life. Through the Agricultural Co-operative Extension Service and the Continuing Education Service, 300,000 persons are annually given assistance and training, both on the campus and throughout the state of Michigan.

The Kellogg Center for Continuing Education on the M.S.U. campus stands as an outstanding building of service to the people of Michigan. Completed in 1951, the \$2,200,000 center was constructed largely from a grant of the W. K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek. The seven-story structure serves as headquarters for many special courses and conferences, and the Division of Hotel, Restaurant and General Institutional Management. Approximately 140,000 persons from Michigan and over the nation take part in programs of the Continuing Education Service each year.

An outstanding position on the international scene is held by Michigan State. Technical assistance has been extended through educational missions to many parts of the world including the Ryukyu Islands, Colombia, India, Brazil and Indo-China.

In a program unique in American education, M.S.U. "adopted" in 1951 the University of the Ryukyus on Okinawa, a strategic island in the East China sea. Since the program began, the University of the Ryukyus' enrollment has grown from 500 to 1,111. The young university has become the center for teacher training in the islands and has a growing adult education program. In addition to actual teaching, six M.S.U. faculty members are helping the university to develop a sound administration and to plan courses.

Four Michigan State professors were appointed in April, 1954,

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to help establish the first school of business administration in Brazil. The M.S.U. team is serving as consultants, advisers and teachers in Sao Paulo, Brazil's foremost industrial city. This long-range program is to be expanded in the future with adult, graduate and undergraduate programs. The project is financed by a U.S. agency and the Getulio Vargas Foundation of Brazil.

In September, 1954, four other M.S.U. staff members were appointed to conduct a survey mission in Indo-China. They are assisting the newly-formed South Vietnam government in solving non-military administrative problems.

Still other M.S.U. faculty members--through special appointments or scholarships-- are serving in research projects or as consultants in many parts of the globe. Their work is helping people in many countries, through knowledge and better techniques, to improve their standard of living.

Constantly seeking the solution to problems, M.S.U. scientists are carrying on research which will result in more effective living for people everywhere. As an equal partner in the university's programs of service and teaching, research is contributing immeasurably to the teacher and student and has practical implications for the farmer, businessman, professional worker and others.

In cooperation with government and industry, Michigan State scientists are utilizing radioactive isotopes, by-products of America's vast atomic energy program. Employing electronic equipment, scientists are able to detect a radioactive compound as it enters the tissues of an animal, the cells of a plant, or is distributed in a manufactured article. Thus, some of the most intimate details of chemical reactions and of living processes can be learned.

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Research, of course, is not limited to the laboratory of test tubes. M.S.U. research also is being conducted in areas such as art, education, engineering, business, government and psychology, to name but a few.

Early in 1954 Michigan State became a pioneer in educational television with establishment of WKAR-TV on ultra high frequency channel 60. Programs are beamed daily except Saturday to a 65-mile area of Central Michigan which has a population of more than two million persons. The 8-1/2 hours of programming daily is a schedule of 80 per cent "live" programs, one of the highest ratios of any television station in America.

WKAR programs originate in the station's permanent modern studios and in the station's mobile studio. These programs carry M.S.U.'s educational services to the people in much the same manner as the college radio stations, WKAR-AM and WKAR-FM, have done for more than 30 years.

The M.S.U. television station has taken the lead in presenting "telecourses"--actual university courses for official credit and non-credit. These programs are presented afternoons and evenings during the week.

Another important service in the link between the university and the public is the M.S.U. Press, which is receiving growing recognition for publication of technical books as well as books which add to the culture and general knowledge of the layman, M.S.U. Department of Information Services provides information of immediate interest to the public and technical media about research in many fields of endeavor. It processes bulletins and other material of helpful use to thousands of Michigan residents annually.

A total of 126 courses of study are offered at Michigan State, 70 of them offering graduate degrees. Among the courses available are agriculture, home economics, chemistry, engineering, medical technology, food technology, food distribution, police administration, nursing, business, veterinary medicine, pre-medicine, pre-law, television, and hotel, restaurant and general institutional management.

The administration of these courses is divided into the nine schools of Agriculture, Education, Home Economics, Engineering, Veterinary Medicine, Graduate Studies, Science and Arts, Business and Public Service, and the Basic College, a two-year program of general education.

Of added significance to the research and teaching program at Michigan State was the gift by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation to establish the Kellogg Gull Lake Biological Station. Considered one of the most scenic and complete stations of its kind, it is located near Battle Creek, at the former Kellogg summer estate. Classes were held for the first time in the summer of 1954. Research will continue at the station the year around.

In the post-war period, M.S.U. began a building program to meet the immediate demands of returning veterans and to serve the increasing needs of Michigan people for college training. As these pressures have continued to grow, so have planning and construction--to keep pace with current and future requirements.

This post-war building program has now included the addition of \$45 millions in needed classrooms, dormitories and other buildings. An important feature of M.S.U.'s building program is its financing. Of more than half-hundred projects, either completed or under construction since World War II, only ten are financed with state funds--

the remaining number on self-liquidating basis at no expense to the public.

Construction of the new Michigan State University library, authorized by the Michigan legislature, began in November, 1953. It is to be completed in the 1955-56 year. When finished, the new unit will add immeasurably to the study and research needs of students and faculty.

When housing projects are completed, dormitory space will be available for an additional 4,086 men and 456 apartments will be occupied by married students.

While Michigan State has greatly expanded its physical facilities, the natural beauty of its campus, known the world over, has been maintained. Careful planning has preserved such natural landmarks as the Beaumont Oval--its many varieties of trees and expanse of rolling lawn; the Red Cedar river, which divides the main campus from south campus; the Beal Pintum, Beal Botanical gardens, Horticulture gardens, to name a few.

In addition to its natural beauty, the Michigan State campus has a cosmopolitan personality. Its students come from every part of the world. Included in its enrollment each year are students from every state in the nation and more than 50 foreign countries and U.S. possessions. Even with this wide geographical representation, Michigan students still constitute about 80 per cent of the campus enrollment.

To administer and teach its courses, M.S.U. continues to maintain a top-flight teaching faculty which includes leading authorities in many fields. Experienced counselors, advisers and guidance authorities provide helpful assistance to students in many ways.

An important factor in Michigan State's growth has been the outstanding leadership of President John A. Hannah. He began his second decade at the helm of M.S.U. in July, 1951, and has served with the college since his graduation in 1923.

President Hannah served as Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Personnel from Feb. 11, 1953, to July 31, 1954. During his leave of absence to accept this important government position, he divided his time between Washington and the M.S.U. campus. President Hannah continues to serve the national defense, however, as Chairman of the United States Section of the Permanent Joint Board on Defense, U.S.-Canada.

M.S.U. always demands respect on the athletic fields. It has one of the best-equipped athletic plants in the nation. Spartan sports teams have consistently provided better-than-average competition for the nation's top teams. As the newest member of the Western Conference, M.S.U. engages in 14 major sports.

Macklin Field stadium has a seating capacity of 50,745. Jenison Fieldhouse, largest non-commercial building in Michigan, provides approximately 12,500 seats for basketball games, and houses facilities and athletic offices for other sports.

In 1953-54, the football Spartans completed 28 games without defeat, were ranked third in the nation, were co-champions of the Big Ten and were winners of the 1954 Rose Bowl classic. Also in national rankings, the baseball team won the Big Ten crown and a third place finish in the N.C.A.A. College World's Series; the gymnastics and cross country teams rated fifth places; wrestling sixth, and swimming eighth, in N.C.A.A. meets.

NATIONAL SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

FRATERNITIES

Alpha Chi Sigma
Alpha Epsilon Pi
Alpha Gamma Rho
Alpha Kappa Psi
Alpha Phi Alpha
Alpha Tau Omega
Beta Theta Pi
Delta Chi
Delta Sigma Phi
Delta Sigma Pi
Delta Tau Delta
Delta Upsilon
Farmhouse
Kappa Sigma
Lambda Chi Alpha
Phi Delta Theta
Phi Kappa Psi
Phi Kappa Sigma
Phi Kappa Tau
Pi Kappa Phi
Psi Upsilon
Sigma Alpha Epsilon
Sigma Chi
Sigma Nu
Theta Chi
Theta Xi
Triangle
Zeta Beta Tau

SORORITIES:

Alpha Chi Omega
Alpha Gamma Delta
Alpha Omicron Pi
Alpha Phi
Alpha Xi Delta
Chi Omega
Delta Delta Delta
Delta Zeta
Gamma Phi Beta
Kappa Alpha Theta
Kappa Delta
Kappa Kappa Gamma
Pi Beta Phi
Sigma Kappa
Zeta Tau Alpha

HISTORY OF ALPHA SIGMA PHI COLONY

As plans were drawn up concerning the formation of the colony, new impetus was added when two more Alpha Sig transfers, brother Carter Wallen of G.G. and brother Robert Allen of B.T., joined the members of the brothers at M.S.C. With some aid from national office, we were advised that Dr. Paul Morrison, a faculty member at the College, was also an Alpha Sig Alumnus. We immediately contacted Dr. Morrison and found him anxious to be of assistance. Certainly it has been largely through Dr. Morrison's time and efforts that the colony has progressed so rapidly. Shortly thereafter a new faculty member Dr. David Heenan, joined our group of Alpha Sig alumnus.

With this group of four students and two faculty members, ideas concerning the colony's development took shape rapidly. On March 8, 1953 we were pleased to receive word that Ralph Burns, National Executive Secretary of Alpha Sigma Phi would be in East Lansing on March 14, to see what could be done toward furthering our organizational plans. In anticipation of the Executive Secretary's visit brothers Perrett, Going and Wallen called a meeting of prospective members at the Butterfield dormitory on March 9, 1953. From the men attending that first meeting came pledge brothers Gerald Planutes, Ederton Fletcher, Victor Mazette and Robert Hless.

During the executive secretary's visit to the university many details of concern to the colony were attended to. Tentative permission for Alpha Sigma Phi to colonize was granted by the college administration and at a second meeting in the home of Dr. Morrison, Ralph Burns outlined the work yet to be done.

The remainder of the year our colony continued building its membership, with several additional meetings being called at the home of Dr. Morrison. Finally in June 3, 1954 official permission was granted by the college for Alpha Sigma Phi to colonize.

Upon the resumption of fall classes in September 1955 work was again directed toward strengthening the colony. During the following month Brothers William Holmes and Elwood Smith of the national office visited the campus to help direct our progress. Our expansion continued and in April 12, 1955 the Alpha colony was admitted as an associate member of the I.F.C.

At the present time the colony is functioning on a sound basis and with the addition of yet another faculty alumnus, Dr. David Potter, our colony now has 3 faculty advisers and consists of 43 members officially pledged to the fraternity.

On May 20, 8 of the colony's pledges were initiated into Alpha Sigma Phi by the Theta Chapter at the University of Michigan

FINANCIAL REPORT

Alpha Sig Colony was established at Michigan State College as a permanent organization. Its financial policy has been in keeping with this goal.

Bills have been paid as soon as due. Dues are collected monthly, three-fifths of which have been set aside in a building fund for future use.

The colony has \$481.67 cash on hand, of which \$354.00 is in the building fund and \$126.67 in the general fund. Accounts receivable total \$60.00. There are no accounts payable. A regular checking account with the East Lansing State Bank, East Lansing, Michigan, is maintained.

The Colony has followed a sound financial policy up to this time and will continue to do so in the future.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

ALLEN, MERLYN D. -- Mio, Michigan; born March 23, 1934, Rose City, Michigan; racial descent - Scotch, English; religion - Methodist; prepared at - Mio High School, Mio, Michigan; class of 1956.

ALIEN, ROBERT E. -- 16145 Chapel, Detroit, Michigan; born May 18, 1925, Detroit, Michigan; racial descent - Engo-German; religion - Protestant; prepared at - Redford High School, Detroit, Michigan; class of 1955.

BEYER, TOM -- 208 Chandler, Flint, Michigan; born December 14, 1936, Flint, Michigan; racial descent - German; religion - Protestant; prepared at - Flint Technical High School, Flint, Michigan; class of 1958.

BROWN, DOUGLAS R. -- Mott's Tourist Camp, Eriah, Ontario; born July 17, 1929, Detroit, Michigan; racial descent - French, Scottish; religion - Roman Catholic; prepared at - Sudbury Mining and Technical School, Sudbury, Ontario; class of 1958.

CAVELL, EDWIN B. -- Lake St., Tawas City, Michigan; born June 23, 1935, Northville, Michigan; racial descent - English; religion - Presbyterian; prepared at - Plymouth High School, Plymouth, Michigan; class of 1959.

CORNELL, TOM -- 121 Center, E. Lansing, Michigan; born April 23, 1934, Grand Rapids, Michigan; racial descent - Irish; religion - Methodist; prepared at - Caledonia High School, Caledonia, Michigan; class of 1956.

DEAN, WILLIAM E. -- 2825 Seventh, Muskegon Height's, Michigan; born November 17, 1930, Muskegon, Michigan; racial descent - German, Swedish; religion - Luthern; prepared at - Muskegon Height's High School, Muskegon, Michigan; class of 1957.

DIVINE, HORACE A. -- 27 Sheldon, Poughkeepsie, New York; born June 18, 1936, Poughkeepsie, New York; racial descent - Irish; religion - Reformed; prepared at - Arlington High School; class of 1958.

DONOVAN, THOMAS E. -- 131 N. Magnolia, Lansing, Michigan; born January 20, 1936, Lansing, Michigan; racial descent - Irish; religion - Catholic; prepared at - Resurrection High School, Lansing, Michigan; class of 1957.

ELY, KURT D. -- 246 S. Federal, Dania, Florida; born July 15, 1934, Detroit, Michigan; racial descent - French, English; religion - Methodist; prepared at - South Broward High School, Hollywood, Florida; class of 1956.

FLETCHER, EDGERTON L. -- Vice-President; Albion Hotel, Gravenhurst, Ontario; racial descent - Scottish, English; religion - Trinity United Church of Canada; prepared at - St. Andrew's College High School, Aurora, Ontario; class of 1956; born January 18, 1933, Oshawa, Ontario.

FORRESTER, DOULAS G. -- Box 132, Route 2, Rochester, Michigan; born July 11, 1933, Detroit, Michigan; racial descent - English; religion - Catholic; prepared at - Rochester High School, Rochester, Michigan; class of 1956.

GATES, ROBERT T. -- Bolton Landing, New York; born December 17, 1932, Glens Falls, New York; racial descent - English; religion - Catholic; prepared at - Bolton Central High School, Bolton Landing, New York; class of 1958

GOING, ROBERT F. -- 829 Case, Evanston, Illinois; born October 14, 1930, Chicago, Illinois; racial descent - English, Irish; religion - Methodist; prepared at - Evanston Twp. High School, Evanston, Illinois; class of 1957.

GORZYCKI, HUBERT F. -- 420 Jennison, Bay City, Michigan; born November 21, 1933, Bay City, Michigan; racial descent - Polish; religion - Catholic; prepared at - Bay City Central High School, Bay City, Michigan; class of 1957.

GRIMES, RAYMOND E. -- 3959 Lotus, Drayton Blains, Michigan; born September 24, 1932, Waterford Twp., Michigan; racial descent - Scotch, Dutch; religion - Methodist; prepared at - Walled Lake High School, Walled Lake, Michigan; class of 1956.

HALL, RALPH -- 318 S. Bridge, Belding, Michigan; born February 16, 1934, Lansing, Michigan; racial descent - English; religion - Baptist; prepared at - Belding High School, Belding, Michigan; class of 1956.

HESS, ROBERT C.-- 535 Elberon, Cincinnati 5, Ohio; born March 17, 1933, Cincinnati, Ohio; racial descent - German; religion - Catholic; prepared at - Elder High School; class of 1955.

HOELL, DUANE F. -- Howell, Michigan; born September 27, 1934, Howell, Michigan; racial descent - English; religion - Methodist; prepared at - Howell High School, Howell, Michigan; class of 1956.

HAMILTON, RUD L. -- 349 McMillan, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan; born - December 9, 1934, Butler, Pennsylvania; racial descent - Scotch, Irish; religion - Protestant; prepared at - New Castle High, New Castle, Pennsylvania; class of 1957.

HANSON, DEN H. -- Box 355, Stambaugh, Michigan; born August 12, 1934, Stambaugh, Michigan; racial descent - Swedish, German; religion - Methodist; prepared at - Stambaugh High School, Stambaugh, Michigan; class of 1957.

MacDONALD, BRUCE I. -- Box 303, Montague, Michigan; born April 21, 1932, Muskegon, Michigan; racial descent - Scotch, English; religion - Christian; prepared at - Montague Township High School, Montague, Michigan; class of 1956.

MAVIS, DALE E. -- R F D. 2, Auburn, Indiana; born June 26, 1932, Auburn, Indiana; racial descent - Irish; religion - Catholic; prepared at - Auburn High School, Auburn, Indiana; class of 1955.

MAYETTE, VICTOR J. -- 29123 Evergreen, Flat Rock, Michigan; born June 18, 1934, Detroit, Michigan; racial descent - Catholic; prepared at - Flat Rock High School, Flat Rock, Michigan; class of 1956.

MIELOCK, PHILIP J. -- Whittemore, Michigan; born January 31, 1932, Albaster, Michigan; racial descent - Polish, German; religion - Catholic; prepared at - Whittemore High School, Whittemore, Michigan; class of 1957.

MILANO, RICHARD L. -- 517 Rosmer, St. Charles, Michigan; born August 15, 1931, Chessing, Michigan; racial descent - Italian; religion - Methodist; prepared at - St. Charles High School, St. Charles, Michigan; class of 1958.

MURDOCK, DOUGLAS C. -- 17568 Eubbell, Detroit, Michigan; born July 26, 1931, Detroit, Michigan; racial descent - Scotch, Irish; religion - Catholic; prepared at - Redford High School, Detroit, Michigan; class of 1958.

MURDOCK, JOHN H. -- 339 Chalfonte, Grosse Pointe, Michigan; born July 13, 1930, Windsor, Ontario; racial descent - Irish, Canadian; religion - Protestant; prepared at - Assumption High School, Detroit, Michigan; class of 1958.

PERAZIT, WILLIAM M. -- 1127 Kensington, Grosse Pointe, Michigan; born November 15, 1930, Detroit, Michigan; racial descent - English; religion - Episcopal; prepared at - Highland Park High School, Highland Park, Michigan; class of 1955.

PITTISLEY, CHARLES J. -- 1201 W. Dayton, Flint, Michigan; born June 15, 1935, Flint, Michigan; racial descent - English; religion - Protestant; prepared at - Flint Northern High School, Flint, Michigan; class of 1957.

PLANUTIS, CAROLD R. -- 36 N. Broad, W. Hazelton, Pennsylvania; born May 18, 1930, Detroit, Michigan; racial descent - Lithuanian; religion - Catholic; prepared at - West Hazelton High School, West Hazelton, Pennsylvania; class of 1956.

RANK, MARVIN C. -- 1930 Beaufeut, Grosse Pointe, Michigan; born April 13, 1928, Detroit, Michigan; racial descent - English, German; religion - Lutheran; prepared at - East Commerce High School, Detroit, Michigan; class of 1956.

SHOEMAKER, PAUL S. -- 4259 Jackson, Davisburg, Michigan; born February 26, 1937, Detroit, Michigan; racial descent - English, Dutch; religion - Presbyterian; prepared at - Milford High School, Milford, Michigan; class of 1958.

WALLEN, CARTER E. -- President, 258 Maple, New Britain, Connecticut; born May 30, 1932, Hartford, Connecticut; racial descent - Swedish; religion - Lutheran; prepared at - New Britain Senior High School, New Britain, Connecticut; class of 1955.

WITHEASPOON, ALLEN A. -- 294 Etzler, Kinde, Michigan; born September 12, 19 , Huron County, Michigan; racial descent - German, English; religion - Lutheran; prepared at - Kinde High School, Kinde, Michigan; class of 1959.

MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE
EAST LANSING

OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDENTS

June 10, 1955

To Whom It May Concern:

Some students at Michigan State University are interested in affiliating with Alpha Sigma Phi.

I am happy to be able to tell you that I believe these young men realize the responsibilities they are assuming when they affiliate with a national fraternity. I am sure you will find that they are concerned with the experience they hope to have in communal living, the development of their individual personalities, and that they expect to contribute to the leadership of Michigan State University which it is our feeling every university man should do.

I have confidence that these young men will carry out any pledge they make to you and I have reason to believe that they will make a contribution to an already satisfactory and pleasant fraternity group relationship at Michigan State University.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED)

Tom King
Dean of Students

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MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE
EAST LANSING

OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDENTS
MEN'S DIVISION

June 15, 1955

Mr. Ralph Burns, Executive Secretary
Alpha Sigma Phi
24 West William Street
Delaware, Ohio

Dear Mr. Burns:

It is a pleasure to join with others who have come to know the Alpha Sigma Colony in a sincere recommendation for national affiliation.

The Colony has impressed all of us with their unusual maturity and seriousness of purpose. Undoubtedly, a large number of veterans has been one of the stabilizing factors. Although their activities have been few in their year of organization, projects they have tackled have been well done.

I feel certain that Alpha Sigma Phi will make a real contribution to the Michigan State fraternity system. It is a pleasure to wish them Godspeed.

Sincerely yours,

(SIGNED)

Robb G. Gardiner
Assistant to the
Dean of Students

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MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE
EAST LANSING

THE BASIC COLLEGE DEPARTMENT OF
HUMANITIES

June 10, 1955

Mr. Ralph Burns,
Executive Secretary
Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity
Delaware, Ohio

Dear Ralph:

I have been asked to submit an appraisal of the Alpha
Sig colony at Michigan State.

During the past two years I have had the pleasure of meeting
with this group and acting as their faculty advisor. In this
period the group has grown from five active members who were
transfers from other institutions to a membership of over
forty men. I feel that these boys have done a remarkable job,
not only in creating interest and attracting a large membership,
but also in the high quality of men they have chosen to be
a part of the colony.

I believe that this group will be a credit to Michigan State
University and to the national organization of Alpha Sigma
Phi. I sincerely hope that every consideration will be given
to their petition to become a part of our fraternity.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

(SIGNED)

David K. Heenan,
Instructor
Department of Humanities

MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE
EAST LANSING

DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY AND
GEOGRAPHY

June 13, 1955

Grand Council
Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity
Delaware, Ohio

Dear Brothers:

I strongly recommend that you give favorable consideration to the petition of the Alpha Sigma Phi Colony at Michigan State University for a charter and that a chapter of our fraternity be installed on this campus at the earliest possible moment after the colony has met the local requirements.

It is my opinion that, except for a tight housing situation, the climate here is particularly favorable for the establishment and growth of a strong chapter. The university administration is friendly to the fraternity system believing it to be a valuable part of the campus scene. The Fraternity Advisers Association and members of the some twenty-five national fraternities already established here have been most helpful and are anxious to see other leading nationals, such as ours, installed so that the number of fraternity men will increase at least in proportion to the expected tide of increased college enrollments. Only in that way can the fraternity system hold, or improve, its present position on the campus. Many of the fraternities here already are so large that an increase in the size would be unwise. Consequently, competition is friendly and not cut throat.

I consider the men belonging to the colony an exceptionally fine group. That the four brothers who started the colony could get such a group together in the short time that they have been working not only speaks well for their industry, but is indicative, I believe, of the opportunity that exists for pledging good men.

Without further elaboration as to reasons why you should, I again urge that you favorably consider the petition of this colony.

Fraternally yours,

(SIGNED)
Paul C. Morrison
Prof. of Geography and
Assistant to the Dean
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MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE
EAST LANSING

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF SPEECH

June 8, 1955

Gentlemen:

This is to recommend to you for favorable consideration the petition of the Alpha Sigma Phi Colony on the Michigan State Campus.

During the past year, I have attended meetings of the Colony as well as their social functions. I have been tremendously impressed by the caliber of the men who form the Colony and by their pride and interest in the Fraternity. Since my coming to Michigan State five years ago, I have not met a finer group of men.

I am confident that a local chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi would be a credit to the National Fraternity and to our university.

Fraternally,

(SIGNED)

David Potter
Associate Professor of Speech

MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE
EAST LANSING

SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF SPEECH

June 9, 1955

National Office Of
Alpha Sigma Phi
24 W. William Street
Delaware, Ohio

To The Petitioning Committee:

We of the Michigan State Fraternity Adviser's Association have watched with interest the colonizing of your Michigan State Chapter and are happy to add our word to the many who are inviting you to join our fraternity circle. We are eagerly awaiting the day when your group will be installed.

Under the guidance of Dr. Morrison, Dr. Heaman, and Dr. Potter the basic ground work of organization has been well done. You have a very fine group of young men eager to carry on the traditions of your great organization. They have made a good impression on the campus and on the IFC circle. With such excellent leadership and guidance there seems to be no reason why they should not succeed. If they can solve the problem of housing, their future should not be too difficult.

We are all very anxious to have this fine group of young men join the ranks of the fraternity citizens of Michigan State and urge you to give them this opportunity.

Yours truly,

(SIGNED)

Donald O. Buell, Professor of
Speech and President of
MSC Fraternity Adviser's Assoc.

MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE
EAST LANSING

Alpha Sigma Phi
National Office
21 West William Street
Delaware, Ohio

June 19, 1955

Gentlemen:

We of Delta Chi Fraternity would like very much to see a Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi on the campus of Michigan State College. The men of Alpha Sig Colony are known to us personally. We heartily recommend them.

It is our hope you will grant a charter to the Alpha Sig Colony. We look forward to their initiation and to the birth of a new national fraternity group at Michigan State College.

Sincerely,

Delta Chi

(SIGNED)

Terry Wayne Wilson
Secretary

IOTA CHAPTER
DELTA TAU DELTA FRATERNITY
139 BAILY STREET
EAST LANSING, MICHIGAN

June 15, 1955

Alpha Sigma Phi
National Office
21 West Winter Street
Delaware, Ohio

Gentlemen:

We of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity would be very happy to see a chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi on the campus of Michigan State Universtiy.

It is our belief that the fraternity system at Michigan State is sound and that it will continue to grow with the University. At present time there are 16,000 students and twenty-seven fraternities on the campus. Since the Universtiy is experiencing a tremendous growth, we feel that there is ample opportunity for more fraternities.

We hope that you will see fit to grant a charter to this fine colony and that you will soon join us at M.S.U.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED)

Bob Stocking, President.