Organization and Chapter History

- Sigma Nu was founded at Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, VA in 1868 by three men who stood against hazing, which and pledged together a life of brotherhood.
- The core values of Sigma Nu fraternity is Love, Honor, and Truth.
- Today there are over 225,000 members of Sigma Nu. Our brotherhood stands by one another, and helps even after college in getting jobs, secondary school letters of recommendations, and friendships that will last a lifetime.
- The Theta Zeta chapter was originally founded as a local fraternity know as KDX 1959 and was then incorporated into Sigma Nu. Following this, the Theta Zeta chapter was chartered at Clemson in 1970.
- Theta Zeta maintains high standing on Clemson’s campus, where members hold positions on IFC, Student Government, Order of Omega, Club and Intramural Sports, and various other Organization. We have been recognized by our National Headquarters as one of the top Chapters in the country 6 times.
Philanthropy and Service

- Every year Sigma Nu at Clemson participates in various charities to promote involvement in the community.
- Game Ball Run
- Sigma Nu partners with Dabo Swinney’s All-In foundation during the Game Ball Run. We are responsible for running halfway to Columbia to exchange the ball with South Carolina during the rivalry football game.
- Generations Group
- Our chapter makes a trip each year to spend time with sexually abused boys at The Generations Group. This is a wonderful experience for every brother. It means so much to the kids we meet with.
- Mills H. Griffin Annual Wing Cookoff
- After the passing of a very recent Clemson Sigma Nu Alumnus, we have begun an annual wing cook-off to raise money for mental health awareness. Last year, our fraternity raised over $17,000 dollars for Mental Health America of Greenville County.
Key Programs and Events

- The Theta Zeta Chapter is committed to growing members into positive members of society who have a high sense of honor. We do so by making sure to keep a balance between academic and social lives.
- We have mandatory study hall for all new members during the course of their semester three times a week to help build study habits and succeed at the university. All Brothers are encouraged to attend these sessions as well.
- We host a Bible study once a week led by our Chaplain Charlie Patten. This is a time for everyone to come together and talk about the good in the world, and in each other. Many members, even those who are not religious attend weekly.
- For each executive position, we have installed committees for any non-exec member to sit on. Whether it’s Finance Committee, or Alumni Relations Committee, everyone has an opportunity to make our Chapter better.
- Each year, we partner with the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority for float week where we are one of two fraternities in the “moving parts” category. We also have Mountain Weekend and Formal Weekend which are two of our biggest social events. Other social events throughout the year include Parents Cocktail, Holiday Cocktails, and mixers with sororities.
Membership Requirements

- Members must maintain a 2.8 GPA minimum to be initiated and full members must maintain a 2.6 GPA.
- Dues are paid each semester, Sigma Nu has notably some of the lowest dues on campus (last years being $850/semester). Payment plans can be set up, however there is no ‘inactive’ status.
- Members are required to be full-time students at Clemson. If a member drops below full-time, or must leave Clemson for a semester, they will be welcomed back with open arms if they choose to return to full-time status.
- Members will abide by Clemson University’s Code of Conduct, Sigma Nu’s Laws, Theta Zeta’s by-laws, and act always with a high sense of honor.
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