



KAPPA ALPHA THETA

Zeta Kappa Chapter

University of South Carolina Financial Transparency

DEFINITIONS

INITIATION FEE

This one-time fee is paid by new members to the chapter to fund pledging, initiation, and (where applicable) installation activities on a schedule determined by the chapter, but this fee must be paid in full to the chapter by the new member's initiation.

PER CAPITA FEE

This fee is paid annually by initiated members to Kappa Alpha Theta headquarters to help fund volunteer support to the college chapter as well as programming for members and chapters. This fee is only billed once in the fall to active members and members studying abroad and will begin in fall 2026 for Zeta Kappa Chapter.

NATIONAL PANHELLENIC CONFERENCE (NPC) FEE

This annual fee is paid by new members and initiated members to NPC.

CHAPTER DUES

This fee is set by the chapter and should be sufficient to cover all chapter activities and expenditures. This includes costs for all social events, mandatory recruitment clothing, and gifts. Chapters may not assess members for extra mandatory activities/expenses.

FHC FACILITY FEE

A minimum facility fee is established by the Fraternity Housing Corporation (FHC). Each member of a college chapter is required to pay a facility fee, regardless of facility type, to cover the objectives FHC staff set for the chapter.

USC GREEK ACTIVITY FEE

This fee is set by University of South Carolina and is required of all members of the fraternity and sorority community. This fee is paid once per semester and will start in spring 2026 for Zeta Kappa Chapter.

DUES BREAKDOWN

USC THETA DUES BREAKDOWN		
PER SEMESTER	FALL	SPRING
Chapter dues	\$700	\$700
FHC facility fee	\$50	\$50
Per capita fee (to start fall 2026)	\$194	
Initiation fee*	\$194	\$194
NPC fee	\$5	
USC Greek fee (to start in spring 2026)	\$125	\$125

*Please note the initiation fee is only charged to a new member in the semester they join Kappa Alpha Theta.

FAQS

WHAT IS KAPPA ALPHA THETA'S ASSESSMENT POLICY?

An assessment is any mandatory payment, in addition to dues and fees, required by members. The cost for members to attend all social events or mandatory clothing must be included in the overall chapter dues. Members should not be expected to pay anything more than the dues and fees stated in the chapter's bylaws.

WHAT ELSE MIGHT I HAVE TO PAY FOR DURING THE SEMESTER?

As mentioned in the non-assessment policy above, all mandatory payments are included in chapter dues. A member may have additional fees for optional merchandise orders.

HOW AND WHEN ARE PAYMENTS COLLECTED?

Payments are collected on a payment platform called Billhighway, where members will pay their dues electronically or by check. Billing statements are sent out on the 1st of the month, are due on the 15th, and will be collected at the beginning of each semester. Payment plan options are also available upon request of the chapter's finance team.

WILL IT BE MORE EXPENSIVE DURING THE FIRST YEAR AS A NEW MEMBER?

No, it is mandatory that chapter dues for active and new members are set at the same amount.