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**Greek Systems
Summary, 2002**

CHRONOLOGICAL SUMMARY

| School | Greeks? | % | National /Local | House Ownership | Residency Requirement | Sophs In House | Alcohol on- Campus |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Williams | Abolished 1962 | [50-75%] | - | College | 4 years | - | Yes |
| Colby | Abolished 1984 | [33% men] | - | College | 4 years | - | Yes |
| Middlebury | Converted 1992 | [20%] | Mix | College | 4 years | ? | Yes |
| Hamilton | Converted 1995 | 30-35% | National/ local sors | College | 4 years | n/a – Block Housing | Yes |
| Bowdoin | Abolished 1997 | [27%] | - | College | 2 years, but very few off campus | - | Yes |
| Union | Reform 2001 | 35% | National | College | 4 years | No | Yes |
| Lawrence | Reform 2001 | 6% | National | College | 4 years | Yes | Yes |
| Colgate | Review 2001-02 | 39% | National | Frats | 4 years | No | Under review |
| Alfred SC | Yes | 2% | Local | Frats. | 2 years | Yes | No |
| Bucknell | Reform path | 40-45% | National | College/No sor. houses | 4 years | Limited/ 2 nd sem only | Yes |
| Clarkson | Yes | 15% | National/ 3 local | Frats./may change | 4 years | Limited/ 3.0 sem GPA | Yes |
| Dartmouth | Yes | 35% | Mix | Mix | 1 st & 4 th yr. | No | Under review |

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| Dickinson | Yes | 20% | National | College | 4 years | Yes | Yes |
| Franklin & Marshall | Dropped Recognition | 25% | National | Frats. | 2 years | No | Yes |
| Gettysburg | Yes | 47% | National | Mix/No sor. houses | 4 years | Limited | Yes |
| Hartwick | Yes | 17% | Mix | Mostly College | 3 years | No | Yes, but rare FIPG for Greeks |
| Hobart/WS | Yes | 20% men | National | College | 4 years | No | Yes |
| Ithaca | No | - | - | - | 3 years | - | Yes, but rare |
| St. Lawrence | Yes | 23% | National/ 3 locals | Mostly College | 4 years | Limited/ 2 nd sem | Yes |
| Wesleyan | Yes | 7% | National | Mix/College Controlled | 4 years | Yes | Yes |

[Brackets] = % at time of abolition or conversion; No brackets = % currently

- 1) Reports on Greek Life and/or interviews with campus officials from the following institutions:

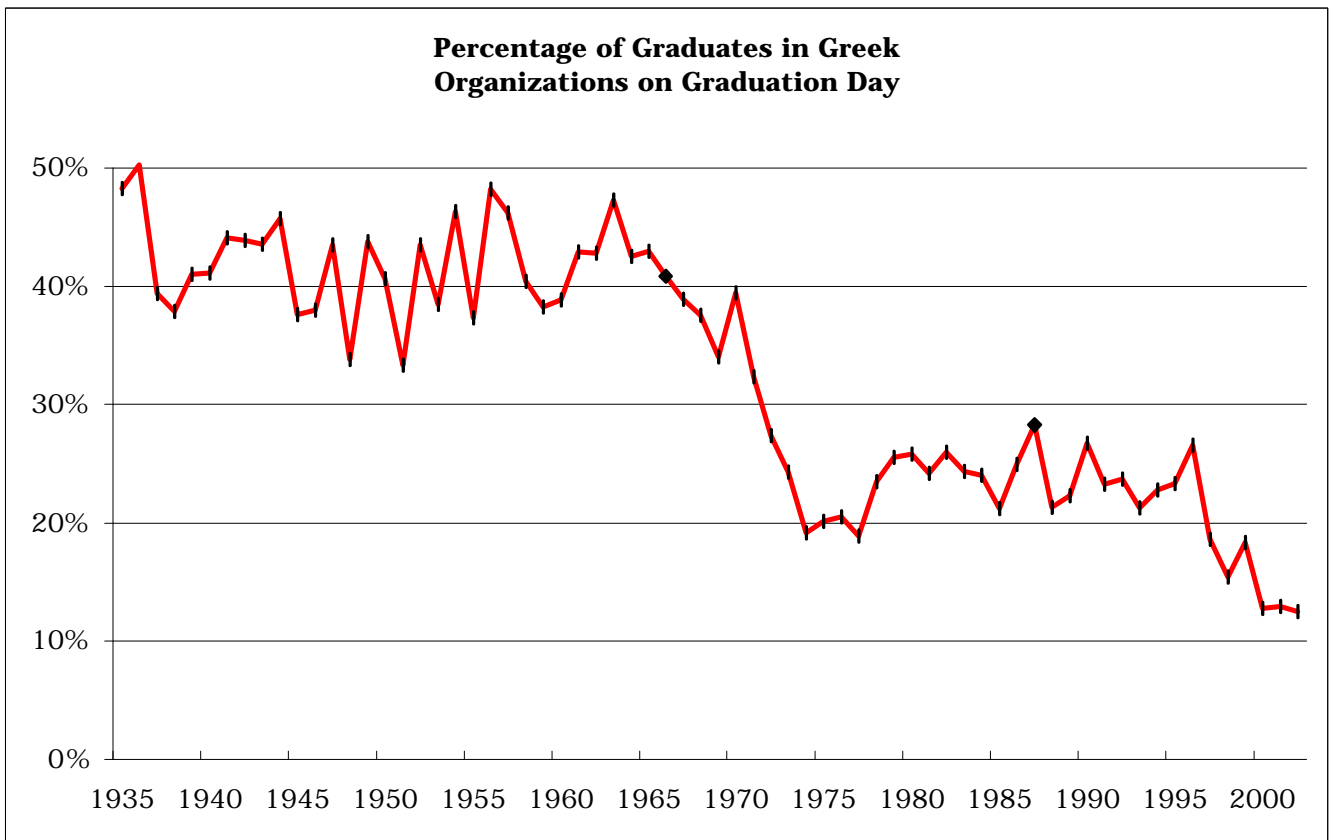
Alfred State College
Bowdoin College
Bucknell University
Clarkson University
Colby College
Colgate University
Dartmouth College
Dickinson College
Franklin & Marshall College
Gettysburg College
Hamilton College
Hartwick College
Hobart & William Smith Colleges
Ithaca College
Lawrence University
Middlebury College
St. Lawrence University
Union College
Wesleyan University
Williams College

- 2) Reports from the Vice President of Student Affairs/Dean of Students

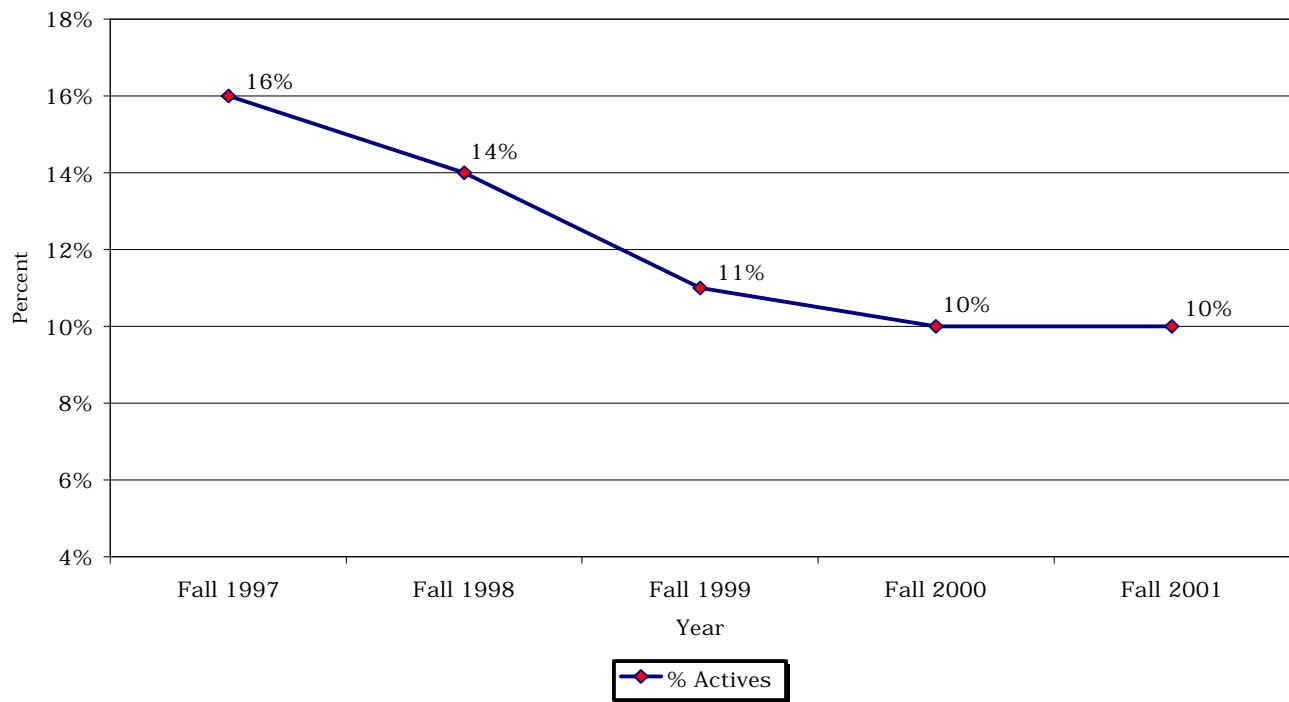
- History of membership in Greek houses as a percentage of all students
- Number of Greeks by house since 1965/number of Greeks by college (2001)
- Greek grade point average (G.P.A.) vs. All University, 1993 – 2001
- 1994 Honors Thesis by Keith Andrew Bellomo entitled “The History of Fraternities and Sororities at Alfred”
- Historical discussions of fraternities/sororities:
 - December, 1899 – “The Alfred University Monthly,” pp 119-120.
 - May, 1907 – “What Fraternities do for a College,” pp 213-216.
 - 1970 Fraternity Code Revision (amending original code of 2/26/65), with article about it in the “Alfred News,” 1965, pp 8-9.
 - “College Fraternities: Their Origin, Purpose and Value,” published by the National Interfraternity Conference, 1935.
- Documented and undocumented incidents of harassment and intimidation of students who have de-pledged.
- Survey of incoming freshman interest in various activities (including Greek life) – AU vs. national data, 1972 – 2001

- 3) Summary of judicial records of Greek houses, 1993 – present
- 4) Summary of judicial records of all AU students
- 5) Recent major initiatives to improve Greek system:
 - Greek Life Project, 1992
 - Greek Life Benchmarks, created 1994 (revised 1996)
 - Greek Life Relational Statement, 1999
 - Greek Life Code of Pride, 1999 (replacing 1996 Benchmarks)
 - Additional policies and procedures for fraternal organizations
 - Alfred University Greek Judicial System
 - Alfred University Greek Life Community Social Management Policy
 - Greek Life Training and Leadership Programs
 - Examples of Greek community services
- 6) Core Institute (an organization that assists higher education in drug and alcohol prevention efforts) National Survey (1997 and 2001). Drinking among special groups (i.e., Greeks, athletes, student government, minorities, etc.) – Greeks vs. All AU vs. national
- 7) Local advisor and housing corporations associated with each Greek chapter
- 8) Letters and e-mails
- 9) Interviews/Discussions with:
 - 15 Greek and non-Greek students
 - Alfred Chief of Police
 - 6 AU alumni
 - Village businessman (an AU alumnus)
 - Representative from Alfred Rescue Squad (and AU faculty member)
 - Director of Residence Life, Residence Hall Directors and Residence Assistants
 - Current and former student-athletes
 - Minority students (Afro-American and Latino)
 - Past and current President of the Student Senate
 - President of Student Activities Board
 - Director of Student Activities
 - President of Residence Hall Council
 - InterGreek Council Liaison
 - Director of Athletics
 - Director of Powell Campus Center
 - Director of Safety, Security and Telecommunications
 - Co-President of the Art Union

- Director of Counseling and Student Development Center
 - Director of Crandall Health Center
 - 8 Greek Presidents
 - Vice President of Student Affairs/Dean of Students
 - Vice President of Business and Finance/Treasurer
 - AU legal counsel
 - Director of Admissions
 - Vice President of University Relations
- 10) Report on Greek Alumni financial support
 - 11) 2001 Harvard School of Public Health College Alcohol Study
 - 12) "Greek Life at Alfred: Proud Tradition, Uncertain Future," by Sue Goetschius, "Alfred Magazine," Spring 2002



**Greek Membership
(As percentage of student body)
Alfred University
Fall 1997 - Fall 2001**



Greek Membership

Fall 2001

Fraternities

| | |
|-------------------|----|
| Alpha Chi Rho | 20 |
| Delta Sigma Phi | 16 |
| Kappa Psi Upsilon | 17 |
| Kappa Sigma | 23 |
| Klan Alpine | 18 |
| Lambda Chi Alpha | 16 |
| Sigma Alpha Mu | 9 |
| Zeta Beta Tau | 15 |

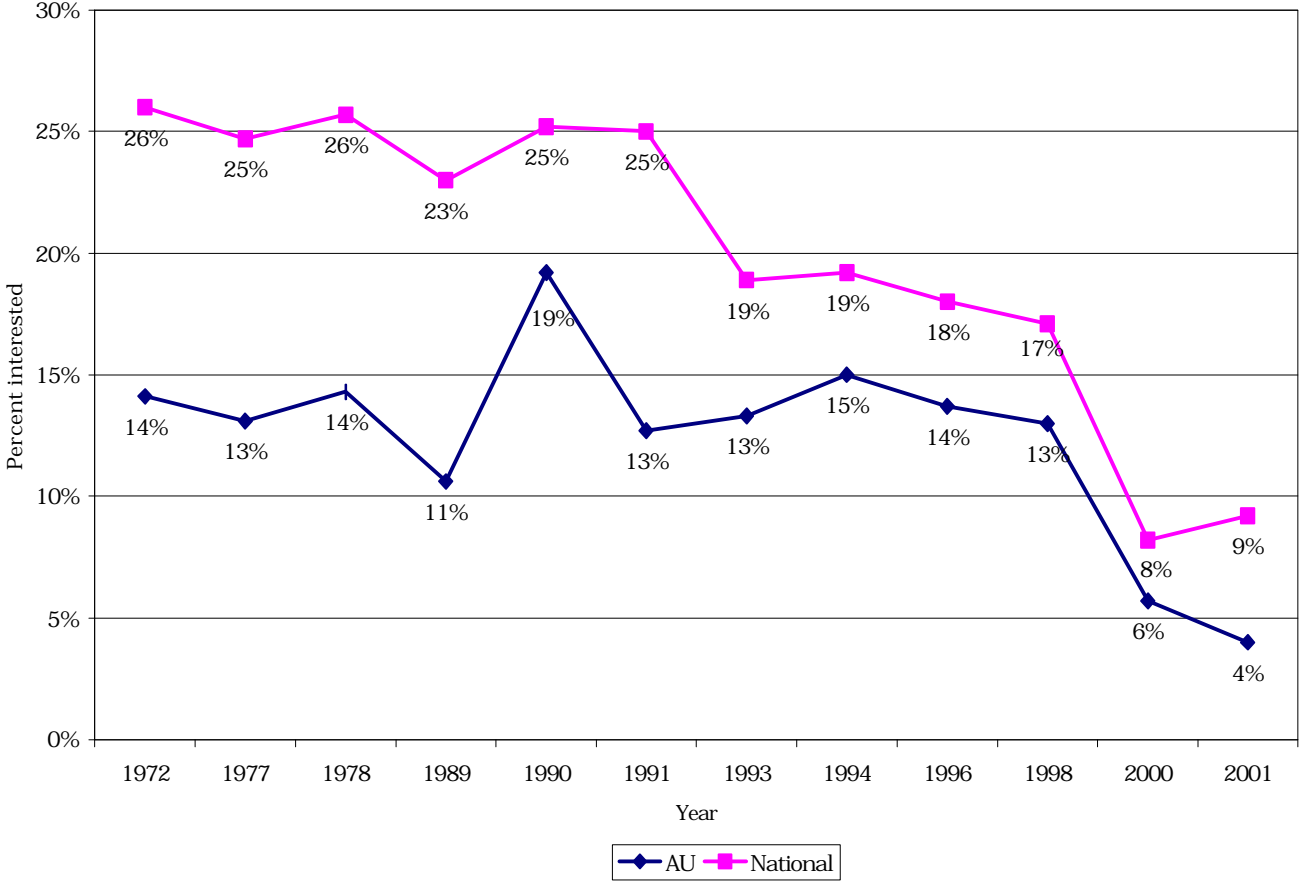
Sororities

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|---------------------|----|
| Alpha Kappa Omicron | 12 |
| Delta Zeta | 23 |
| Sigma Chi Nu | 24 |
| Theta Theta Chi | 15 |

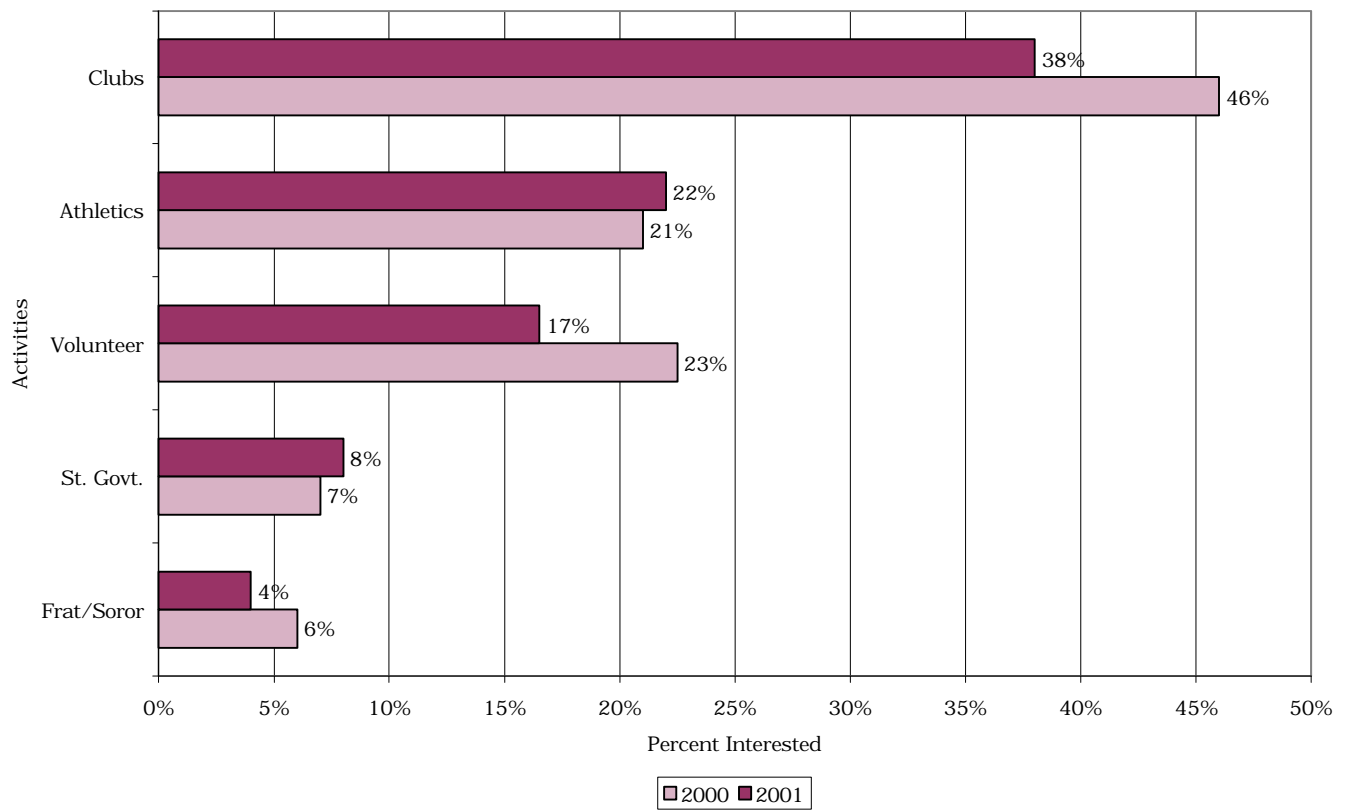
Source: "Academic/Membership Statistics, Fall 2001" report, Office of Student Affairs.

Definition: Active members, Fall 2001, compiled from membership lists submitted by chapter presidents, for currently enrolled students.

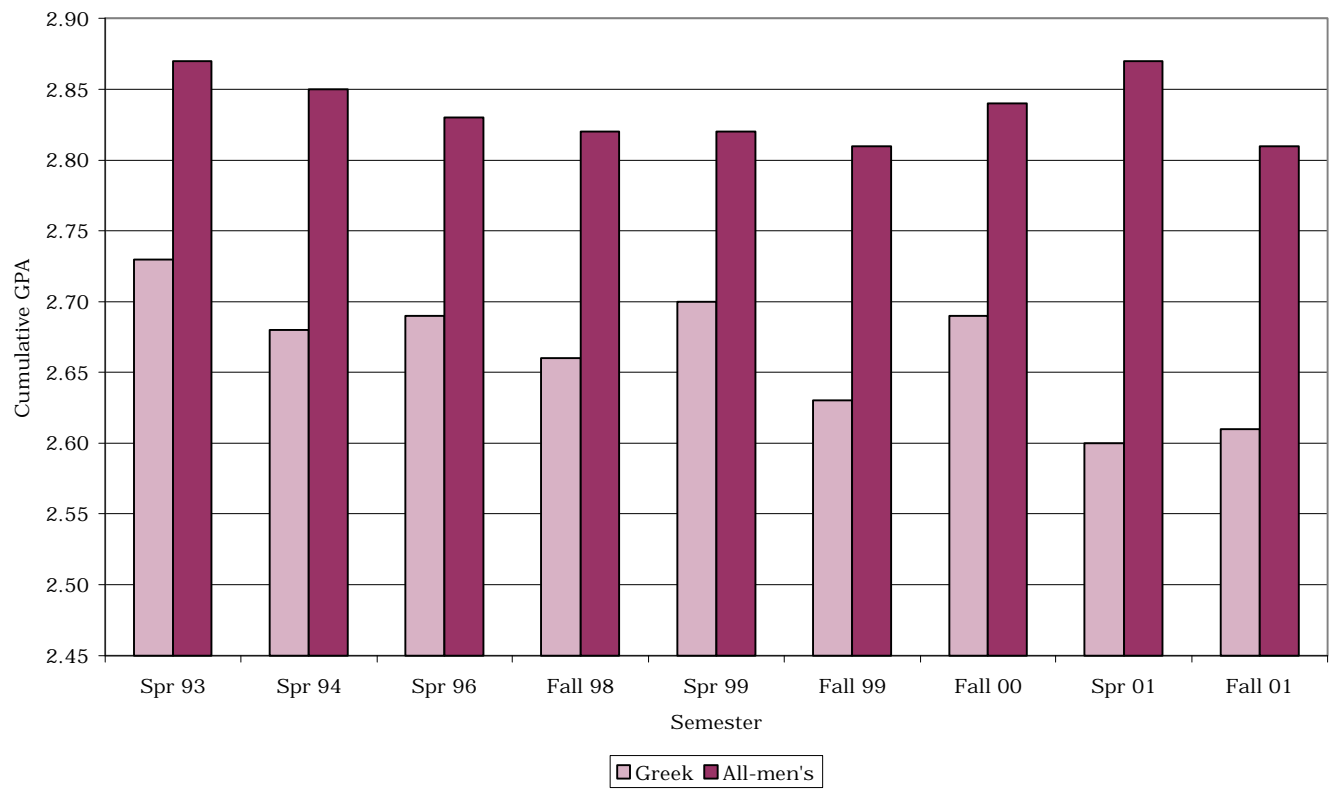
Freshman Interest in Fraternities/Sororities
AU vs. National Data



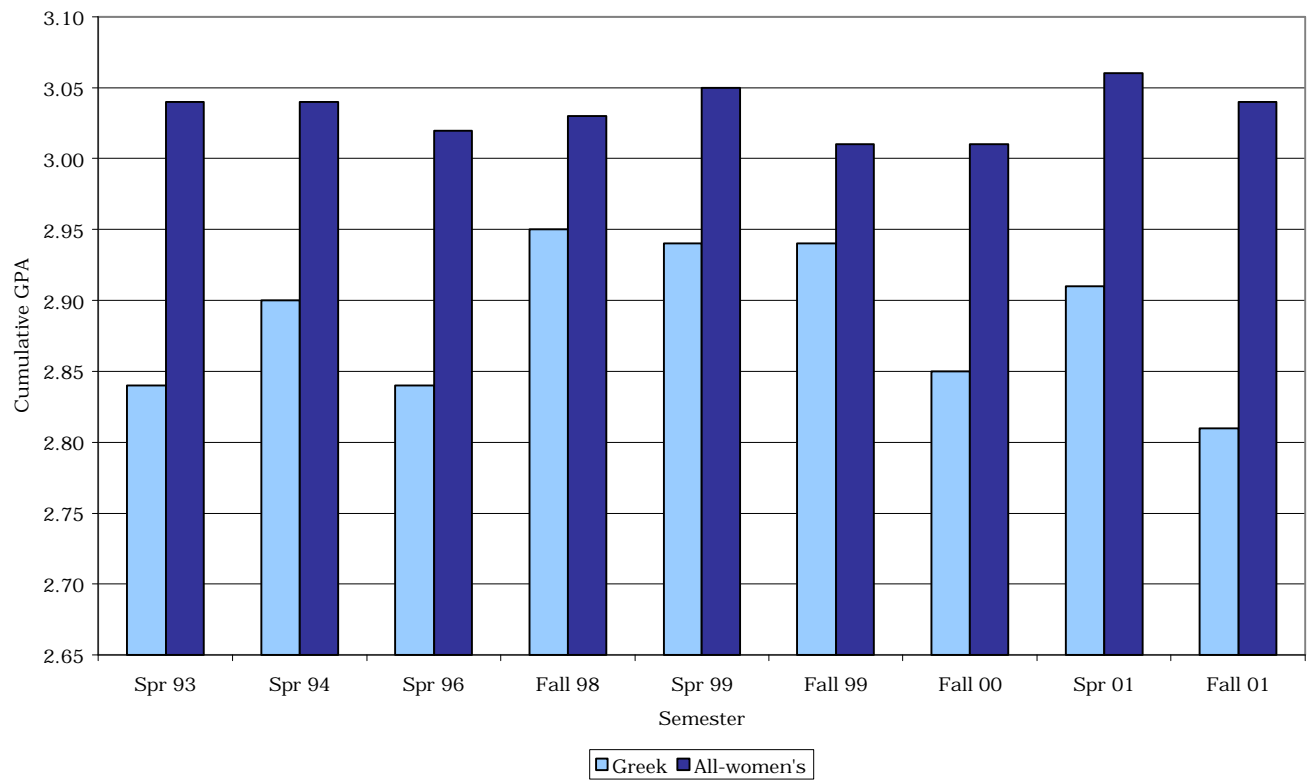
**Freshman Interest in Activities
Alfred University
2000 and 2001**



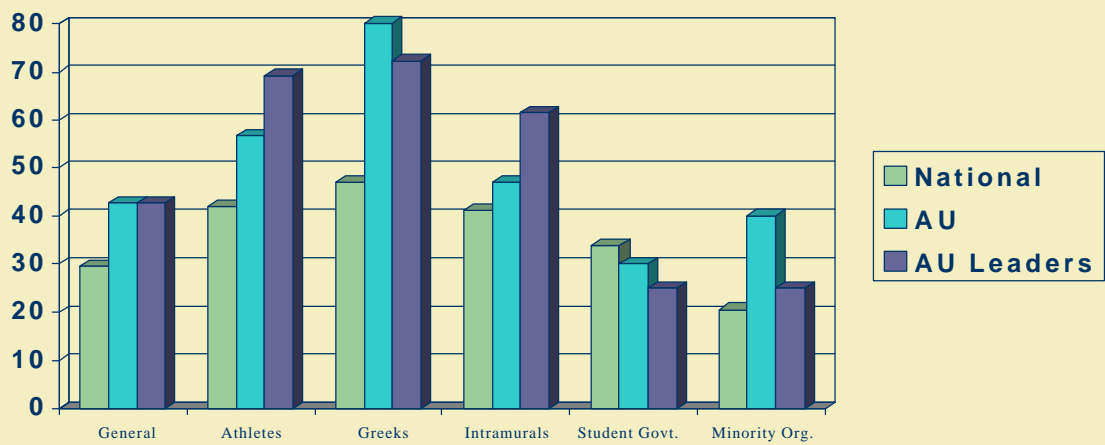
**Men's Cumulative GPA
Greek vs. All-men's Average
1993 - 2001**



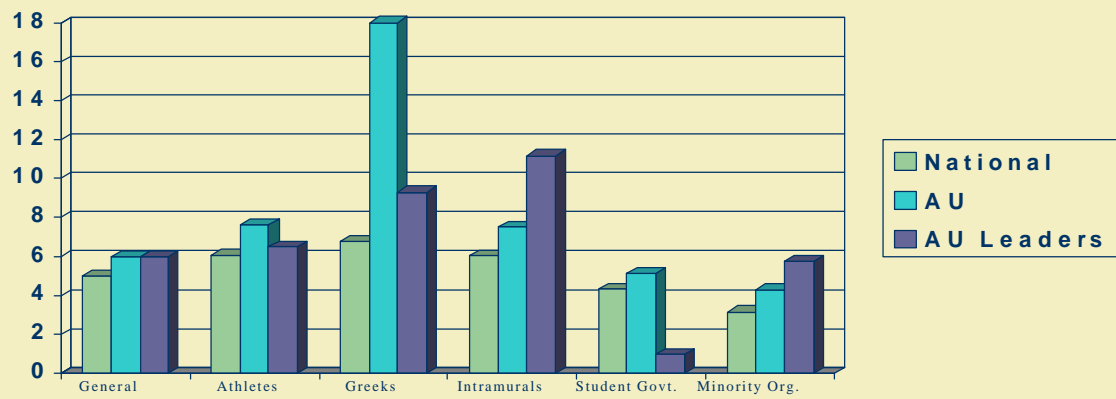
**Women's Cumulative GPA
Greek vs. All-women's Average
1993 - 2001**



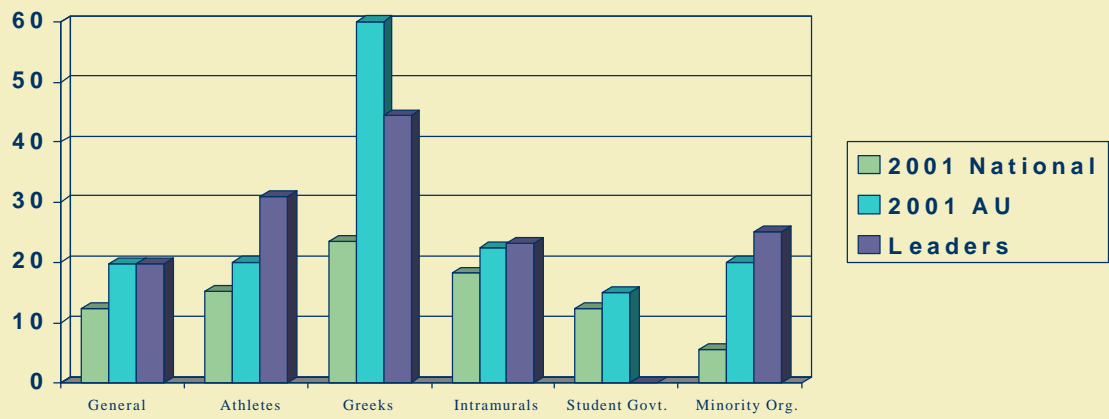
Binged at least twice in the last two weeks



Average Number of Drinks / Week



Classified as heavy and frequent drinkers



PROS AND CONS OF GREEK LIFE

Pros

- 1) Teaches leadership, responsibility, teamwork (27)
- 2) Strong bonds of brotherhood/sisterhood (48)
- 3) Meet people from different majors/classes (16)
- 4) Participate in community service (38)
- 5) Important social outlet/alternative (9)
- 6) Reason to stay instead of transfer (15)
- 7) Increases loyalty to AU (5)
- 8) Emphasizes academics (6)

Cons

- 1) Dehumanizes people through hazing/pledging (20)
- 2) Creates mob/herd/gang mentality-rituals etc. (22)
- 3) Elitist and exclusionary (18)
- 4) Nuisance in neighborhoods
- 5) Encourages excessive drinking/drugs/sex (30)
- 6) Intimidation of de-pledges leads to transfers (3)
- 7) Antithetical to principles of AU (9)
- 8) Houses have libraries of tests & essays (2)

Note: Numbers in parentheses represent how many people (parents, students, alumni & faculty) mentioned each item.