

DKE 176th International Convention – June 18-21, Charlotte, NC
“DKE Then, DKE Today, and DKE Tomorrow.”
Hotel: Marriott City Center, Downtown Charlotte, NC.



Coming off Delta Kappa Epsilon’s 175th Anniversary celebration in New York last June, and then its largest-ever officer academy in Washington DC in January 2020, the Fraternity now takes aim to make its 176th Convention an encore record-breaker -- by hosting our largest, most-successful convention ever. We hope anyone visiting this page is eager to learn more about how to participate as we gather June 18-21. All Dekes are invited and welcome—undergraduate and alumnus, young and young-at-heart—to share fellowship, educational opportunities, and exploring together the city of Charlotte.

“Alumni are most welcome and encouraged to participate in all Convention events and sessions,” says DKE’s new Assistant Director of Education, Travis Tafoya. “We find that students learn and are more engaged when their advisors, alumni, and peers are all present in the learning process. Additionally, undergraduates in attendance will be looking forward to valuable time spent getting to know alumni through networking activities and social events throughout the event.”

Full convention, day pass, and banquet tickets will be on sale on this web page in the coming weeks. In the meantime, please mark your calendars and plan to attend!



Alumni Advisor Day - Saturday

A special Alumni Advisor Day will take place on Saturday, June 20th at the Charlotte Marriott City Center, just hours ahead of the convention banquet. Alumni Advisor education will consist of an overview of what Fraternity & Sorority Life looks like on today’s college campus, understanding how to Advise and work with Generation Z, and an overview of DKE Standards for chapters, members, and advisors.

Closing Banquet

At the traditional closing banquet, there’s sure to be brothers breaking bread together, swapping many tales, a fine keynote address, and the traditional wrap of festivities with Dekes winding the Lion March through the hall and singing the Phi Marching Song.

A highlight of the night promises to be an address by one Country Music’s top business executives, Scott Siman, Gamma ’76. Brother Siman has served as president and chairman of the board of the Academy of Country Music Awards. He is also a leading country music entertainment executive who has earned recognition as one of Billboard magazine’s “Country Power Players.” Siman helped guide the career of such country music stars as Tim McGraw, Julianne Hough, and the Dixie Chicks. He also has managed all aspects of Sony’s Columbia and Epic labels in Sony’s Nashville division. A dedicated Deke from Vanderbilt, Siman is known as an entertaining storyteller who is sure to be a hit with all Deke brothers.



Focus on Curriculum & Social Time

The theme of the convention will be “DKE Then, DKE Today, and DKE Tomorrow.” It will certainly give us the chance to recall and celebrate our rich past, focus on issues and topics that can improve DKE today, and also help us prepare DKE for a strong future.

“On the first day, we will address DKE’s values, objects, and ritual commitment,” Tafoya said. “Friday will deal with personal development, while Saturday promises to be a heavy day as we focus on officer training and alumni programs.”

Quick View - Convention Calendar

Thursday - DKE Then

- The History, Values, Objects, and Purpose of Delta Kappa Epsilon
- Ritual Recommitment

Friday - DKE Today

- Service Learning Project with Movember-Leading Men’s Health Charity
 - Personal Development through Values Alignment
 - Values-based Incentives & Motivation
 - Health & Safety Q&A
 - Meet the Dekes - Networking/communication skills
- Friday night social event with alumni / undergraduate members

Saturday - DKE Tomorrow

- Chapter Finance Case Study
 - Chapter Recruitment Case Study
 - Understanding GenZ - Alumni
 - Understanding FSL Today - Alumni
 - DKE Standards
 - Allen Lutes – Fraternity Housing
 - Be a Man: Masculinity in 2020
 - Mental Health Training/Conversations
- Formal banquet to close convention-
Keynote speaker: Scott Siman, Gamma ‘76



Dekes enjoy fellowship event during 174th Convention in Pittsburgh

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