# EDITORIAL: CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR SPECIAL 2024 ELECTION RESULTS ISSUE

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Journal of Sorority and Fraternity Life Research and Practice Readers,

Following the results of the 2024 Presidential election, higher education and sorority and fraternity life face an uncertain future ahead. As scholar practitioners, we—the Editorial Team for the Journal of Sorority and Fraternity Life Research and Practice—invite manuscript proposals for a Special Issue on Sorority and Fraternity Life in the Midst of the 2024 Election Results.

### **Topics**

In this special issue, we welcome empirical and other scholarly submissions including historical research and analytical literature reviews. We call for manuscripts that address topics including, but not limited to

- Sorority and fraternity (dis)engagement in activism and advocacy
- National organization or chapter response/advocacy for issues pertaining to LGBTQ+ people broadly and transgender members in particular
- National organization or chapter response/advocacy for issues pertaining to threats regarding mass deportations
- National organization or chapter response/advocacy for issues pertaining to women's rights and healthcare access
- Navigating ideological differences within sorority and fraternity chapter/organization membership
- Work that explicitly focuses on the effects of the election on Historically Native American Fraternities and Sororities (HNAFS), LGBTQ+ based sororities and fraternities, National APIDA Panhellenic Association (NAPA), National Association of Latino Fraternal Organizations (NALFO), National Multicultural Greek Council (NMGC), National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC), and/ or additional cultural/identity-based sorority and fraternity organizations

Final manuscripts will be no more than 5,000 words (including references).

#### **Timeline**

The timeline for our special issue is as follows:

Friday, February 28: Proposal Submission Deadline<sup>1</sup>

**Friday, March 21**: Invitations to Submit **Friday, August 1**: Full Manuscript Due

Monday, September 1 - Manuscript Feedback Sent to Authors

Wednesday, October 1 - Final Revised Manuscripts Due to Editors

December/January (2025/2026) - Publication

## **Submission Requirements**

Submissions include four components:

- 1. 500-word proposal abstract
- 2. Manuscript title,
- 3. Brief bio for each author (150 word max each),
- 4. Brief timeline to complete the full manuscript (150 word max).

Proposal abstracts should provide details that describe the scope of the project/manuscript and appropriate headings given the nature of the manuscript. Empirical work for example should include:

- Background/brief review of relevant literature
- Research focus/question(s)
- Theoretical/conceptual framework
- Methodological plan including data collection plan, analytical approach
- Preliminary or anticipated findings if applicable
- Significance of the study for sorority and fraternity life

Other manuscript formats are not required to address each of these areas if they are not applicable; however, they should offer alternative subheadings that articulate the scope of the project and provide insight to its scholarly rigor. Although we will accept non-empirical work, it must be substantiated with relevant supporting research/documentation as applicable.

#### **Submission Process**

Submit proposal components in an email to Crystal Garcia, Editor of JSFLRP, at crystalgarcia@unl.edu by **Friday**, **February 28**, **2025**.

<sup>1.</sup> Editorial team will review proposals and send invitations to submit a full manuscript by this date. Note that submitting a proposal does not quarantee publication in the Journal.