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What is Panhel?

- Governing body of the sororities on campus
- Separated from the IFC four years ago
- We organize sorority recruitment, implement programming and provide resources for our chapters

Sororities at MIT

- Five nationally recognized chapters:
 - Alpha Chi Omega
 - Alpha Epsilon Phi
 - Alpha Phi
 - Kappa Alpha Theta
 - Sigma Kappa
- All chapters now have living facilities

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Membership and Recruitment

- In Fall 2005, ~370 undergraduate women are active members of sororities at MIT
- Formal Recruitment currently takes place in IAP, but will be moving to the fall in 2007
- Currently undergoing Formal Recruitment
 - Anticipate 110-130 women will join

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Mission statement

“Panhel strives to foster personal development, empower, and enhance the lives of women in the MIT community in order to embrace our role as the largest women’s organization on campus”

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Current Programming for the Chapters

- Discussion Meetings
 - Combatting member apathy
 - Social programming and events with alcohol
 - Effective community service programming
 - Managing chapter finances
 - Alumnae relations
- Presidents Meetings
- Jr. Panhellenic
- Risk Management Training
 - Dry mixer grant program
- All-Panhel Retreat (fall)
- New Member retreat (spring)
- Officer Roundtable Discussions
- Standards Board Training

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Current Projects

- Ad Hoc Committees
- Women's Week
- The Giving Tree (joint with MIT Public Service Center)
- Orientation and CPW Event Planning
- Student Life
 - Cambridge Alcohol Advisory Board
 - VAWA Grant Committee
 - RA Training
 - Student Leadership Development
- Joint initiatives with the IFC
 - Greek Week
 - Greek Marketing Committee
 - “The Greek Letter”
 - Greek Convention

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Ad Hoc Committees

- Women's Bathroom
 - New women's bathroom on infinite corridor, near building 8
- Women's Guide Around MIT (WGAMIT)
 - Distributed to all female undergraduates
- SafeRide
 - Re-routed Boston East and West, added stops
- MIT Medical
- Scholarship
- Faculty Advising

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Women's Week 2005

Vision

“To promote a model of femininity that incorporates and embraces the properties of intelligence, competence, and ambition.”

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Women's Week

Programming

- Collaboration with five women's groups on campus
- Identified key areas to address
 - Women's health and fitness
 - Sexual health
 - Independent Living
 - International women's issues
 - Diversity and tolerance

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Women's Week 2005

Highlights

- Undergraduate Female Leadership Conference
 - Inspiring women to make change and equipping them with the tools and resources to do so
 - 50 faculty and administrators attended for lunch and discussion with conference attendees
 - Presentation by President Hockfield
 - Task force groups created to initiate change on campus
- “I am a feminist” campaign
 - Modernize the image of feminism
 - Encourage men and women to define *feminism* for themselves