

Hello and welcome to Greek Life at Lafayette! My name is Sandi Manfreda, and I am the Panhellenic Council President for the 2020 year. Here at Lafayette, our Panhellenic Community is comprised of six unique chapters. Each of these organizations contributes to our community in their own positive way, and I am honored to be serving as the leader of this group of women this year!

The Panhellenic Council plays an instrumental role in upholding the values of the Greek community, such as leadership, friendship, and service. As a student led council, Panhellenic has the ability to broaden and induce positive change in the whole Greek system, as well as learn valuable skills that we can demonstrate to all the chapters on campus.

After serving on the Panhellenic council for a year and learning on the job the mindset, tasks, and duties of the President of Panhellenic, I am prepared to take on the role. My unique recruitment experience of being released and accepting a Continue Open Bid after formal recruitment, gives me an interesting perspective on Greek life and the ability to empathize with Potential New Members. This will help make their experience more comfortable and efficient.

As president, I want to focus on empowering sororities, so other organizations don't have an influential hold on the reputations of sororities. It has become increasingly clear that even though sororities are all female organizations, men hold power and control over our organizations. This is seen in the ability of men to make false judgements on sororities that influence freshmen's opinion and insert objectification. I believe there is a lot I can do as President to empower the sorority community.

Through organized, resourceful events and programs that gradually introduce freshmen to the idea of sorority life in general, I will be able to effectively refocus the campus on the exceptional qualities of Lafayette sororities.

As the representative of one of the largest groups of women on campus, I understand the significant responsibility I have to help Greek Life adapt to the changing times. My Lafayette experience would not be what it is without the encouragement and enrichment of this amazing community. Please reach out to me with any questions, comments, or concerns at [manfreds@lafayette.edu](mailto:manfreds@lafayette.edu). I would love to hear from you and offer more insight into this vibrant community!

Welcome to Greek Life!

All the best,

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