

Website Style Guide



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Brand

Introduction

The fundamental purpose of the Sigma Chi Fraternity is the cultivation, maintenance and accomplishment of the ideals of Friendship, Justice and Learning within our membership. They are referred to as The Three Great Aims of our Fraternity.

Our brotherhood has its roots in the collegiate experience and engenders a lifelong commitment to strive to achieve true friendship, equal justice for all and the fulfillment of learning as part of our overall responsibilities to the broader communities in which we live.





Tone of Voice

Our Tone of Voice is how we speak and more importantly, how we're heard by our audience. It is the set of rules that help define the way we write, and the way we present information and communicate through all channels. Our Tone of Voice must consistently match the key attributes of our brand personality which are:

TRUSTWORTHY | PERSONAL | PROFESSIONAL

OUR COMMUNICATION

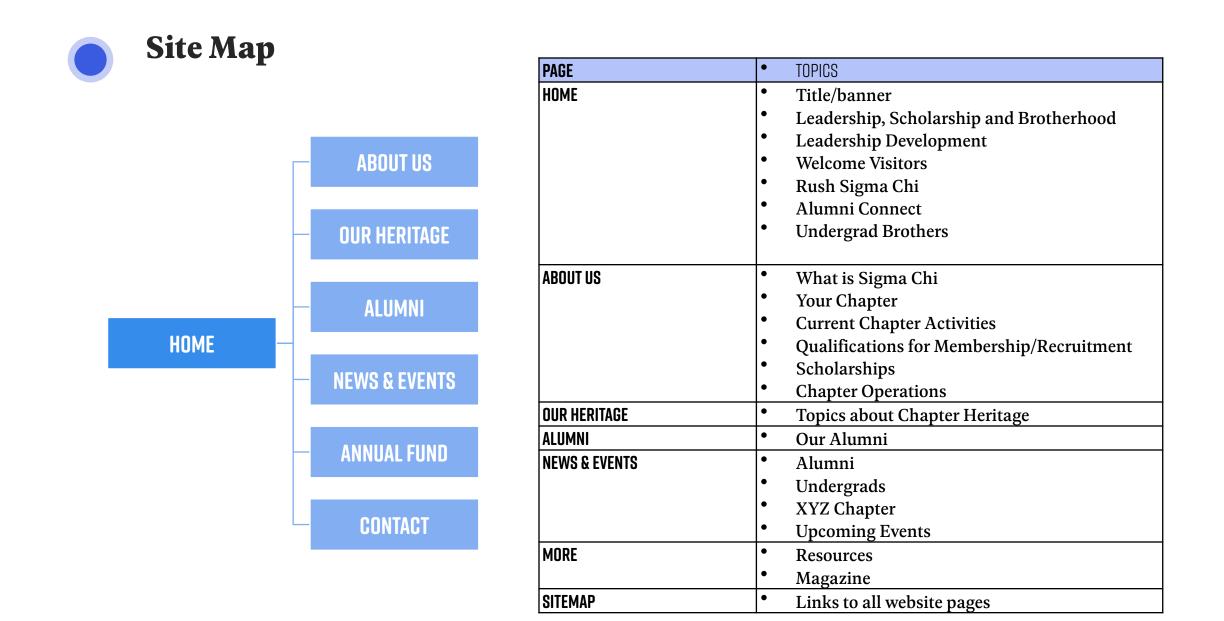
| Fun | Neutral | Serious |
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| Casual | Neutral | Formal |
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| Respectful | Neutral | Irreverent |
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| Utopian | Neutral | Matter Of Fact |
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HOW WE ARE HEARD

We use active words and articulate messages with tempo. We are approachable, easy to listen to, easy to understand and our words convey confidence to our audience.

We are optimistic and sometimes idealistic. Positive, hopeful, cheerful, witty and bright. What we are not is arrogant, robotic, complicated, verbose or bureaucratic.

Our messages are short, sharp, crisp and honest but human and approachable. We write as if we were conversing – natural and down to earth.











EXPECT MORE LOGO

NORMAN SHIELD

FLAG FULL COLOR

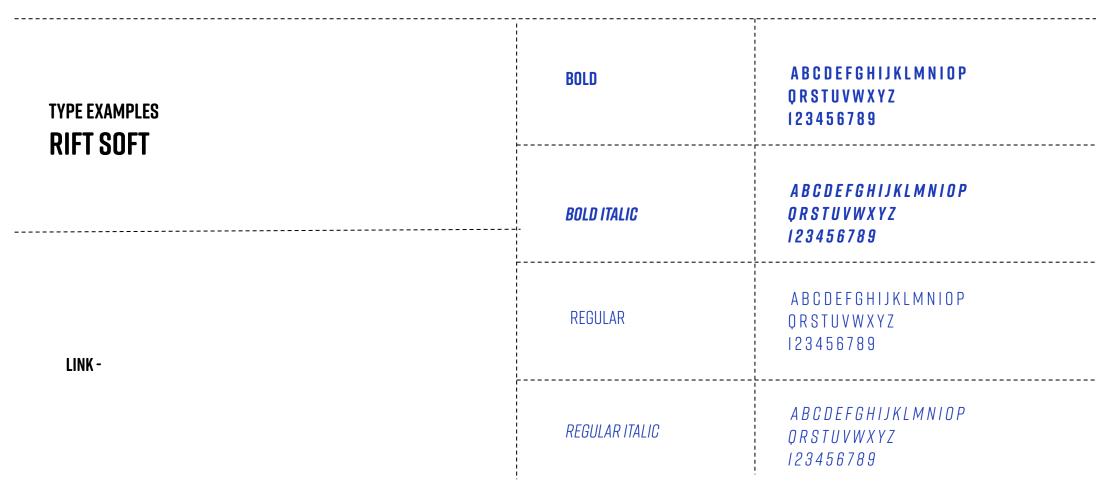
FOR MORE LOGOS - <u>HTTPS://SIGMACHI.ORG/HOME/RESOURCES-3/BRANDING/</u>

Font & Typography

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| | Regular Italic | A B C D E F G H I J K L M N I O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 |

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RIFT SOFT







Use RGB and Hex values. RGB values have more color ranges, but, not all browsers display them accurately.



Use Of Imagery

REAL. CANDID. RELATABLE

Photography should not feel staged or posed. It should feel as if it is part of or capturing a special and unique moment between those involved.

Clutter Control – ensure there is one key focal point and don't complicate the image with unnecessary detail. Color – black and white imagery should be avoided. Imagery with rich, natural tones and shades should be used.

EMOTIONAL AND INTIMATE

There should be a strong, warm connection, and feeling of trust. Natural lighting and depth of field – Shots should be naturally lit. Depth of field adds to the sense of intimacy. Background should be just out of focus, drawing the eye to the foreground and subject.





CONSISTENCY WITH THE NEW STYLE STANDARDS

- ✓ Ensure content is marked-up semantically correct and is compliant with the standards of the new CSS. For example, all images have class applied; lists are either or , and applied correctly, etc
- ✓ All external links open in a new window.
- \checkmark All internal links open in the same window.
- ✓ The correct font properties are being used: * based on rec

CONTENT

- ✓ The url naming scheme is consistent and comprehensible.
- ✓ The urls are not long, they are legible, and do not contain acronyms or special characters.
- ✓ Top navigation items have first letters capitalized. All page titles have first letters capitalized. For example, Sigma Chi Online
- ✓ There's a physical address, phone and an email address in the footer.

Thank You

For taking the time to review the items on this Brand Guide. Your commitment to following it will greatly assist us in maintaining a consistent look and feel in your websites