

Ry T. Beck

Fraternity Executive | Nonprofit Board Member | Higher Education Professional

Higher education leader with seventeen years of experience unifying organizational strategy across fraternity, foundation, and housing entities. Currently serve as the Chief Executive Officer for Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity and Educational Foundation. Formal education includes an MBA from Butler University, MA in Adult and Community Education from Ball State University, and BA in English from University of North Texas.

Professional Experience

Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity and Educational Foundation, Fairfield, CT (Remote)

2026-Present

Chief Executive Officer

I assumed the role of CEO on July 13, 2026. This section of the resume is provided as an allowed revision for the AFA board application process. As I am in the initial phase of this role, the subsequent information focuses on the scope of work rather than measurable outcomes.

- Develop a unified vision and actionable strategies that increase Pi Lambda Phi's impact and sustainability.
- Partner with the International Executive Council (Board of Directors) and Trustees to strengthen governance, policy development and interpretation, and organizational effectiveness.
- Oversee all aspects of daily operations, including staffing, budgeting, fundraising, technology, and communications for each entity.
- Lead the design and implementation of programs and services, including chapter services, member wellness and accountability, membership growth, and education and training.
- Serve as the organization's primary spokesperson and ambassador, cultivating strong relationships with university partners, donors, industry stakeholders.

Delta Sigma Phi, Indianapolis, IN (Hybrid/Remote)

2018-2026

Assistant Executive Director/Chief Strategy Officer

- Directed strategy, operations, and talent development for 13 full-time staff (representing 50% of enterprise staff), establishing OKRs, coordinating human and financial resources, and assessing impact.
- Designed and launched the organization's first strategic plan in twenty years, securing board and key volunteer buy-in to champion updates to Delta Sigma Phi's mission, vision, values, brand identity, and strategic priorities.
- Deployed a \$3.5 million operating budget, aligning expenses with strategic priorities and executing cost-saving measures.
- Authored donor prospectuses and high-level impact reports for the organization's comprehensive campaign.
- Secure partnership agreements that have generated \$1.63 million in new membership revenue at more than forty higher education institutions since 2018.
- Managed full grant lifecycle for organizational programs and scholarships, from proposal development through compliance reporting and outcomes assessment, administering \$2 million in Foundation funds since 2018.
- Delivered monthly reports and quarterly presentations to Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity and Foundation boards of directors, synthesizing data on student participation, retention, satisfaction, learning outcomes, and conduct outcomes.
- Designed curriculum grounded in adult learning theory and experiential education with a focus on student leadership, wellness, civic engagement, and career readiness. Delta Sigma Phi's Career Accelerator program received the 2025 Laurel Wreath Award from the NIC, recognizing outstanding and innovative programs.

Uncommon Schools, New York City, NY

2017-2018

Assistant Director, Special Projects

- Improved organizational efficiencies across 27 teams and 175 staff, including the delivery of monthly staff meetings and talent development workshops.
- Coordinated meeting space and technology needs for more than 150 meetings per week and training programs with 50 to 2,500 participants.

Princeton AlumniCorps, Princeton, NJ

2014-2017

Program Manager

- Advised 100 undergraduate students annually on career planning, collaborating with Princeton University faculty and administration to support students entering the public sector.
- Managed program life-cycles for three distinct civic engagement programs, overseeing participant recruitment, placement, training, and assessment, yielding a 21% increase in fellowship placements for flagship Project 55 Fellowship program. Examples of participating organizations include The Rockefeller Foundation, Illinois State Board of Education, UCSF Breast Cancer Center, and the Carole Robertson Center for Learning.
- Managed annual eight-month leadership development program for nonprofit professionals in New York City and Washington, DC. Examples of participating organizations include DonorsChoose, KaBOOM!, and EveryoneOn.

Additional professional experience at Delta Sigma Phi includes Director of Membership (2018-2021) and Director of Education (2008-2014).

Education

Master of Business Administration, Leadership

Butler University, Indianapolis, Indiana, 2025

Master of Arts, Adult and Community Education

Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana, 2012

Bachelor of Arts, English

University of North Texas, Denton, Texas, 2007

Activities: President, Order of Omega Greek Honor Society; Member, NT40 - "Top Forty Leaders on Campus"; Member, Sigma Tau Delta International English Honor Society

Certifications and Training

- **Asana**, Workflows Specialist Certification, 2026
- **National Council for Mental Wellbeing**, Mental Health First Aid Certification, 2024
- **Predictive Index (Advisa)**, "Becoming a PI Practitioner" Certification, 2018
- **The Leadership Challenge**, Leadership Practices Inventory Coach Certification, 2015
- **American Society of Association Executives**, completed 100 hours toward CAE, 2010-2015

Volunteer and Board Experience

- **Association of Fraternity / Sorority Advisors**; Board Member, 2024-Present; Nominations and Elections Committee, 2023; Educational Presenter, 2019-2022
- **Princeton AlumniCorps**; Program Committee, 2026-Present; Development Steering Committee, 2024-2026
- **Indianapolis Symphonic Choir**; Board Member, 2025-2026
- **Hazing Prevention Institute**, Facilitator, 2023-2024
- **Butler University MBA Association**, Director of Finance, 2023-2024
- **Braven, Rutgers University - Newark**; Leadership Coach, 2016