



LOCAL FRATERNITY

Kappa Delta Epsilon had its inception on March 19, 1922. This organization was given the name "Umen,"—taken from the ancient Hebrew. Its true meaning is "Builder," and thus portrays the ideals of the group gathered under its banner. The Umen was officially recognized by the Institute in April, 1922. Later it was reorganized as a fraternity and chartered in 1924.

In 1926, in compliance with a suggestion from the Institute, the name was changed from Umen to the Greek Letter term, Kappa Delta Tau. Under the new name, symbolical of the fraternity's ideals, they have rapidly advanced and they now hold a meritorious position among the social organizations on the campus.

In 1931 the fraternity was incorporated under the laws of the state of Illinois and in order to avoid duplication of the name it was changed to Kappa Delta Epsilon.