



AILG Peer Visit Program

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Schedule

During **Spring 2020** we will begin the new program.

Peer Visit Program

The Peer Visit Program (formerly Accreditation) is a peer review and support program run by and for AILG member organizations.

The PVP encourages continuous improvement of our member organizations by discovering and sharing experiences and best practices. By advising AILG member organizations and referring them to resources, PVP helps organizations meet their goals and address challenges they face.

Volunteer teams visit alumni/ae and undergraduate representatives from each organization for an hour each academic year. Prior to the visit, each organization completes a questionnaire meant to foster introspection and self assessment, with a focus on areas that the organization would like to improve.

After the meeting, the visiting team drafts a summary of the discussion, describing any newly-identified best practices, requests for assistance, and proposed goals for improvement. This summary is then edited by the organization before it is shared with the PVP committee and the FSILG office.

Visit Times and Structure

Organizations and Visiting Teams schedule the visit at a mutually acceptable time.

At the end of the visit, the Visiting Team may take a brief tour of the house.

Organizations will be asked to make a meeting space available to the Visiting Team for up to one hour after the completion of the visit so they can start drafting the visit summary

Visiting Teams of 3 or 4 alumni will conduct their visits in a Saturday morning shift from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM:

8:00 AM Meet for breakfast in reserved room on campus

9:00 AM meet at first FSILG

11:00 AM meet at second FSILG

Or a Saturday afternoon shift from noon until 5:00 PM

12:00 noon Meet for lunch in reserved room on campus

1:00 PM meet at first FSILG

3:00 PM meet at second FSILG

If the FSILG prefers to meet some other time, they can arrange a mutually acceptable time with the visiting team.

On the day of the visit, the PVP Coordinator will arrive (usually at one of the Student Center private dining rooms) no later than 7:45 am to receive the catered breakfast and to be ready to welcome the morning visiting committees.

The Morning Visiting Teams will meet at 8am as a group for breakfast and to prepare for both their 9am and 11am visits. At the conclusion of their 9am visit, they will remain at the location just visited to do preliminary work on the draft of their discussion summary and proposed goals, which will be completed using an online document. They will then go directly to their 11am visit. Upon completion, they will have the option of working on their second summary at the location just visited, or they may return for lunch and work in the reserved room. A member of the team should take a photo of the sign-in sheet so the list of attendees can be incorporated into the visit summary.

The Afternoon Visiting Teams will meet at 12 noon for lunch and to prepare for both the 1pm and 3pm afternoon visits. The Afternoon Visits and Visiting Team work will proceed as during the morning, with the room available from 4pm to 5:15 pm to provide optional afternoon snacks

Visit Summaries and Proposed Goals

The output of the visit is a summary of the discussion that includes best practices, requests for assistance, and a set of goals for the organization for the coming year. The Visiting Team drafts this summary and goals after the visit. The Visiting Team sends the draft to the PVP Coordinator within four days and the Coordinator forwards it to the FSILG visited.

Each organization then has 1 week to edit the summary and proposed goals as they like. When they are done they send the final version to the PVP coordinator and it is forwarded to the PVP Committee and the FSILG office.

How organizations should prepare

Alumni Corporations are requested to arrange a visit date with the PVP Coordinator. The Alumni are responsible for completing the **online [PVP Questionnaire](#)** assisted by the Undergraduates. The Alumni will submit a single completed questionnaire to the PVP Coordinator no later than two Sundays preceding the selected date.

About the Program

Full information on the MIT AILG Peer Visit Program, including historical data, is available at the [AILG Peer visit Program Committee Site](#).

Summary: The Peer Visit Program conducts organized visits to the living groups within the MIT Fraternity, Sorority, and Independent Living Group (FSILG) community. The program's objective is to share best practices and expertise within the community, and to aid each member organization in the identification and fulfillment of their long-term goals. We are not aware of any effort close to this scale on other campuses, and believe the Peer Visit Program is an important element in developing MIT's FSILG community and deepening the collaboration among alumni, MIT, and the undergraduates that has characterized this community.

Program Documents, updated for this year:

- The [Online PVP Questionnaire](#) for Spring 2020 with instructions.
- [Instructions for Visiting Committees](#)

[AILG Peer Visit Program Committee Site with PVP Archive](#)

The following information will be updated as we progress through the dates.

Timeline for Spring 2020

TBD

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