Sigma Alpha chapter of Sigma Alpha Mu firmly planted its roots on the campus of the University on May 22, 1920. It has had a rather enviable record for scholarships and athletics since that date.

At the beginning of World War II the house was turned over to the Navy, and was not re-opened until the fall of 1946. The chapter reorganized itself almost entirely with a new group of men.

Today it seems that it has reached, if not surpassed, the goal that was set when the chapter was re-opened.

The ideals and functions of the chapter can be more easily understood by one who knows the history of Sigma Alpha Mu:

On November 26, 1909, a group of college men of the College of the City of New York swore a bond of everlasting friendship to one another. It was little realized that this bond would result in the Sigma Alpha Mu of today. Eight men shook hands and formed a brotherhood that was destined to become a great international fraternity. Sigma Alpha Mu grew with the times, and by 1919, they had formed chapters in many colleges coast to coast. Today it has expanded in size and recognition to almost every large campus in the United States and Canada. On June 2, 1946, the Mu Epsilon chapter of the University of Miami became the fifty-first chapter of Sigma Alpha Mu.

The Sigma Alpha chapter, as a branch of the national Fraternity, has followed the ideals set forth by its founders. Since its reorganization after the war, this chapter has taken in more members than any time previously. This chapter encourages extra-curricular activities, and every member is enrolled in at least one outside organization. The membership in these organizations and the participation in intramural athletic activities greatly increases the scope of achievement of each member. The scholastic standing of the chapter is one to be envied by all campus societies. Last year Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity held the University scholarship cup.

The ideals of Sigma Alpha Mu are based on the belief that it is possible to foster and maintain among its sons a spirit of fraternity, a spirit of mutual moral aid and support to instill and maintain in the hearts of its sons love for and loyalty to Alma Mater and its ideals; to inculcate among its sons such ideas as will result in actions worthy of the highest precepts of true manhood, democracy and humanity.

Sigma Alpha Mu has shown a wide interest in the activities of its old fraternity. They have a large alumni association, which is ever striving to increase the achievements of the fraternity.

There is also a mother's club, formed by the mothers of the present group of members. They have donated both time and effort to make this house a comfortable place to live; they have shown their gratitude to Sigma Alpha Mu for what it has offered in the way of companionship and incentive for their sons.

The pledge of Sigma Alpha Mu reads: ... to foster and maintain among its sons a spirit of fraternity, a spirit of mutual moral aid and support to instill and maintain in the hearts of its sons love for and loyalty to Alma Mater and its ideals; to inculcate among its sons such ideas as will result in actions worthy of the highest precepts of true manhood, democracy and humanity.