

## Determination of Significance and Significance Criteria.

### National Register Significance Criterion C:

***Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.***

**Significance Summary.** The completed nomination forms include a summary of the significance of the Delta Upsilon Chapter House as follows:

*“Completed in 1930, the Delta Upsilon Chapter House is National Register eligible under Criterion C, because of its architectural design. The building calls attention to Alexander McPherran Linn, its designer and Delta Upsilon fraternity alumnus. The Delta Upsilon Chapter House stands as Linn’s most accomplished work in Iowa and demonstrates his skill at manipulating French Renaissance styling in a major commission along with his ability to exploit a difficult site to utilitarian and aesthetic advantage. One of the most imposing examples of architecture among fraternity chapter houses at Iowa State University, the building features a complex roof design of steep pitches and polychrome slate, a well-organized massing of architectural shapes, and a rich interplay of brick and half-timbering wall surfaces.*

*The period of significance and a significant date, under Criterion C, is 1930, the year the building was completed and first occupied.*

*The property contains two resources for this nomination, the chapter house itself, which is contributing and classified as a building, and a network of pedestrian walks in front of the house, which are contributing and classified as a structure.”*