

## **Fraternity and Sorority Life Academic Success Requirements**

(Revised: Spring 2018; effective Fall 2018)

In accordance with the primary pillar of Scholarship and the academic expectations of the university and the fraternity/sorority community, this plan outlines standards for organizations and individual members within Fraternity & Sorority Life at UNC Greensboro.

### **Individual Membership Requirement**

Individual members of the Fraternity and Sorority Life (FSL) community will be required to maintain at least a 2.500 minimum grade point average for both cumulative and semester grades. Any member who falling below 2.500 must have an individualized scholarship plan filed with Campus Activities and Programs. The plan should be developed by the chapter officers responsible for scholarship for each individual FSL chapter, in consultation with the individual member. A second consecutive semester below the 2.500 standard is grounds for dismissal from the fraternity/sorority community.

### **New Member Requirement**

To be eligible to participate in recruitment activities, prospective new members must have at least one full semester of collegiate work (twelve or more hours of enrolled and completed courses) from a regionally accredited institution of higher education. Prior to bids or invitations being extended, every potential new member must have their academic record reviewed by the Office of Campus Activities and Programs to ensure they are eligible for recruitment. Grades will be shared with Presidents and Recruitment Directors. Alternately, organizations may require potential new members to submit an official transcript.

In addition to the overall chapter academic standing, special attention will be given to new member grade point averages each semester. The goal for new members is twofold: First, recruitment efforts should focus on bringing in quality new members whose scholarship profiles will help improve the academic success of the chapter; secondly, the process of new member education and participation in the new member process should not have a detrimental effect on a new member's grade point average. To the degree either of these goals are not met, an organization can be placed on Academic Warning with the specific directive of creating an Academic Improvement Plan for new members. This plan may include restrictions on recruitment or revision to the new member education process if deemed necessary.

### **Chapter / Organizational Requirement**

All fraternities and sororities will be required to maintain a minimum collective grade point average for semester and cumulative chapter grades which will increase from the baseline 2.500 by 0.05 each fall and spring semester to achieve a 2.700 by Fall, 2020.

Fall, 2018: 2.500

Spring, 2019: 2.550

Fall, 2019: 2.600

Spring, 2020: 2.650

Fall, 2020: 2.700

If an organization fails to meet the minimum semester and cumulative grade point average, the group will be placed on Academic Warning for the next semester. During this semester, the organization must meet with the Associate Director for Fraternity & Sorority Life no later than three weeks after the first day of classes to create an Academic Improvement Plan that details their internal efforts to improve their organizational grade point average. As chapters craft their Academic Improvement plans, they are



encouraged to use, as a template, the SAS Success Plan for Financial Aid, which can be found here:

[http://fia.uncg.edu/plan/downloads/ssc/SAP\\_Success\\_Plan\\_for\\_Financial\\_Aid\\_template.pdf](http://fia.uncg.edu/plan/downloads/ssc/SAP_Success_Plan_for_Financial_Aid_template.pdf)

This model can serve both as a blueprint for chapters and a resource as scholarship chairs work with individual chapter members.

If the organization achieves the minimum grade point average at the completion of their Academic Warning semester, they will maintain full recognition and be encouraged to continue their Academic Improvement Plan to ensure their continued success.

If the organization fails to achieve the minimum grade point average at the completion of their Academic Warning semester, they will be moved to an Academic Probation status. An organization placed on Academic Warning status three times in six or fewer semesters will likewise be placed on Academic Probation. During this Academic Probation semester, the organization will need to meet with the Associate Director for Programs to discuss and make changes to their Academic Improvement Plan. In addition, the organization will be limited in their programming in order to focus on scholarship. The following types of programs will be allowed at the discretion of the Associate Director, in cooperation with the inter/national organization: Sisterhood/brotherhood activities, academic improvement programs, hands-on community service efforts, and tabling to raise money for philanthropic causes. A group on Academic Probation may not participate in Greek Week, step shows/stroll offs, intra-/inter-murals, athletic competitions, social programs, formal recruitment, Homecoming, or other community-wide activities. The organization will not be in “good standing” with the University, and individual members will be ineligible to represent the University, FSL system, or chapter in governance, leadership, or committee opportunities.

At the completion of their Academic Probation status, if an organization achieves the minimum grade point average, they will have their programming privileges restored, but will remain on Academic Warning for the following semester. If an organization fails to achieve the minimum grade point average at the completion of their Academic Probation semester, the University reserves the right to remove campus recognition in partnership with the inter/national organization.

<b>Chapter Performance</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Plan</b>
Chapter GPA at or above required minimum (2.700 starting Fall, 2020)	Chapter in good academic standing	Continue to perform academically; seek to exceed all undergraduate and peer group averages
Chapter GPA falls below required minimum (2.700 starting Fall, 2020 for one semester	Academic Warning	Organization meets with Associate Director for Programs; creates an Academic Improvement Plan that details



		their internal efforts to improve organization GPA
Chapter GPA falls below required minimum (2.700 starting Fall, 2020) for a second consecutive semester/third semester within six or fewer	Academic Probation	Organization meets with Associate Director for Programs to revise Academic Improvement Plan. May not participate in Greek Week, team athletic competitions, Homecoming, Step shows/stroll offs, formal recruitment, or other community-wide activities.
Chapter GPA falls below required minimum (2.700 starting Fall, 2020) following Academic Probation	Chapter removal from campus	Terms will be set by University in conjunction with inter/national headquarters as to when chapter may apply for re-recognition. The University will generally prohibit re-recognition for a minimum of three years.