

Old Dominion University Fraternity & Sorority Life Academic Policy

Academic Policy:

- 1) Chapters must meet or exceed a required 2.5 cumulative grade point average. In an effort to assist our chapters meet this goal we will be phasing in the GPA requirement by requiring that chapters meet the following criteria:
 - Fall 2009- the overall chapter grade point average must meet or exceed 2.35
 - Spring 2010- the overall chapter grade point average must meet or exceed 2.5
- 2) Chapters whose cumulative grade point average falls below the stated grade point average requirements, will be subjected to the following sanctions:
 - 1st Semester Below Average
 - 1st semester below the required average a chapter will be placed on social probation. During the probation period the chapter may not participate in social events or recreational sports. The chapter must also submit a calendar of events (including community service events) to the Office of Student Activities & Leadership for approval.
 - Must attend all corresponding council meetings as well as any mandatory meetings required by the Assistant Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life at ODU.
 - Submit a written academic action plan to the Assistant Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life. The action plan must be signed by the chapter President and the Advisor.
 - Set-up a meeting with the Assistant Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life to discuss the Academic Action Plan.
 - Host one academic success workshop for chapter members during the probation period.
 - The President and the Scholarship chair must meet once a month with the Assistant Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life to discuss successes and challenges of the new academic plan.
 - 2nd Semester Below Average
 - Any chapter falling below the required average for two consecutive semesters must remain on social probation. In addition to social probation, the chapter must suspend all recruitment activities. During this probation period the chapter will not be allowed to extend bids, host/participate in informational events, or conduct new member education/intake.
 - The new member program must be revised to ensure the academic success of new members.
 - Must attend all corresponding council meetings as well as any mandatory meetings required by the Assistant Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life at ODU.

- Submit a revised academic action plan to the Assistant Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life. The action plan must be signed by the chapter President and the Advisor.
- Set-up a meeting with the Assistant Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life to discuss the Academic Action Plan.
- Host one academic success workshop for chapter members during the probation period.
- The President, Scholarship chair, and advisor must meet once a month with the Assistant Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life to discuss successes and challenges of the new academic plan.

3rd Semester Below Average

- Any chapter falling below the required grade point average for three consecutive semesters will be suspended for a period of one year.
- During the suspension period the chapter must cease and desist all chapter activities.
- Before the suspension has been lifted the chapter must do a formal presentation outlining a new plan for academic success.
- Once reinstated a chapter must remain in good standing for a minimum of two academic years. Any chapter failing to meet this requirement will be suspended indefinitely.

New Member Classes Below 2.5

Any chapter whose new member class is below 2.5 for two consecutive semesters will be placed on probation (even if the overall chapter is above 2.5). The following sanctions will apply:

- The chapter will not be allowed to recruit or conduct new member education/intake the following semester. In addition, the chapter must submit a revised new member program and a revised academic plan to the Assistant Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life.
- During the probation period chapter designees must attend all corresponding council meetings as well as any mandatory meetings required by the Assistant Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life at ODU.

Academic Incentives:

- Chapters whose cumulative grade point averages is a 3.0 or higher during the academic year will be eligible to receive \$200 to be used for recruitment activities. Chapters who exceed the required 2.5 average during 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 academic years will be awarded monetary prizes to be used for recruitment activities. Chapters will be compensated as follows:
 - **2.6- \$25**
 - **2.7-\$50**
 - **2.8-\$75**
 - **2.9-\$100**

All funds will be allocated and expended through the Office of Student Activities and Leadership.

- Individual chapter members whose GPA is a 3.0 or higher will be invited to attend the Academic Excellence luncheon.
- Chapters who exceed the required grade point average will be featured in a Mace & Crown advertisement.
- Chapters exceeding the required GPA will be recognized at the Annual Greek Awards.