Standards and Accreditation

Outstanding Order of Omega Distinction
Outstanding Order of Omega Chapter Criteria-Chapter must meet 4 out of the 5 listed below.

- Sorority must be above all women’s average each semester/Fraternity must be above all men’s average each semester
- **Two** chapter organized service or philanthropy events each year (Annual)
- 95% of chapter to perform **six (6)** service hours each semester (Each Semester)
- 90% of members to write one letter for Greek Week fundraising projects (Annual)
- Chapter host one non-alcoholic event with another chapter (Annual)
- Chapter may not have had a University conduct status during the Accreditation period.

Important Dates for 2019:
Final Submission of Supplemental Documents- November 1, 2019
Standards and Accreditation Chapter Review (45 minute mtg with Greek Life staff)- November 4-15, 2019

Chapter:

| Accredited |  
|---|---|---|
| Yes | No |
| Academics |  
| Operations |  
| Education |  
| Civic/Campus Engagement |  

**Accreditation**: Greek Standards and Accreditation is comprised of four (4) **areas of Standards**: Academics, Operations, Education, and Civic/Campus Engagement. Chapters are required to meet the standards in all four areas in order to be accredited for the next calendar year. **Chapters who fail to achieve Accreditation will have 30 days to address deficiencies (if applicable)**. Failure to achieve Accreditation will result in the chapter being placed on **Conditional Status** for the following calendar year. Fall 2018 GPA will go in effect immediately.

**Conditional Status**: Conditional Status is defined as "registered with the University with limited rights and responsibilities of a student organization." (2019 Greek Life Operational Policy). A chapter on Conditional Status shall only be eligible to sponsor programs and activities that support the recruitment/intake efforts of the organization. Thus, all other on-campus and off-campus events will not be permitted. Recruitment/Intake paperwork must be received and approved by Greek Life, according to office policy, prior to any programs or activities being approved.

During Conditional Status, the chapter is responsible for meeting the standards of Accreditation. In the event a chapter on Conditional Status does not achieve Accreditation the following calendar year, chapter registration will be rescinded.
Academics

To achieve accreditation for this Standard, the chapter shall:

- Maintain an active GPA at or above a 2.5 every semester. Applies to Fall 2018 & Spring 2019
- Maintain a NM GPA at or above a 2.5 every semester. Applies to Fall 2018 & Spring 2019

*New member GPA will be calculated every semester Recruitment/Intake is facilitated.
*Chapters will receive midterm and final grade reports from Greek Life to assess the chapter’s academic success. Chapters that below 2.5 GPA after the fall grading term will immediately fall on Conditional status. If after the spring semester meets the 2.5 GPA whether or not they have new members, the chapter will then move off of Conditional status.

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Deficiency Comment(s)

Outstanding Order of Omega Chapter Criteria:
Sorority must be above all women’s average each semester
Fraternity must be above all men’s average each semester

Operations

To achieve accreditation for this Standard,

- Require each chapter to have a written new member education plan including bid day (including specific activities planned, intended outcomes, and schedule/program length) for those plans to be certified by the chapter president, new member education director, advisory board chairs and approved by the International Headquarters or representative, annually. Require annual submission of new member education plans to the Greek Life Office for review and approval. Chapter must provide each new member in writing, their requirements to include calendar of events.

From Bid Day to Friday of the first week of class, IFC and PHC chapters meet and have facilitate activities with new members however no socials or any other type of events with alcohol may occur.

Greek Life office will not approve required signatures/interviews and pledge attire. Only for each semester New Members are taken- Chapter Portal to include dates due which vary Council to Council.
- Change Update form in Chapter Portal; Only Changes that can be made after approval are: advisory supervision, date, time, location.
  – Chapter Portal to include Signature Page for advisor approval.

- Require all chapter advisory boards to have full oversight and accountability for the new member recruitment and education process with at least one board member present at new member meetings and activities. Only for each Semester New Members are taken, verification and approval included in approved program.

- Verify annually that each chapter has a functioning, active Judicial Board with chapter advisory board oversight. January: Verified by SAA through Annual Training

- Require each chapter to develop a comprehensive program for chapter and member accountability and reporting, which will include appropriate oversight by the University and chapter advisory boards. January: Verified by SAA through Annual Training

- Require each chapter to have a "membership contract" to be signed by every member each year which includes a code of conduct, explicit agreement to comply with all University and chapter policies, other behavioral expectations, and consequences for related infractions at a minimum and have a copy of each chapter's contract on file at the Greek Life Office.4/26/19: Chapter Portal - Annual Submission
• Require each chapter to have a drug-free policy for chapter houses and chapter events with enforcement mechanisms and consequences for non-compliance. 2/1/19: Chapter Portal Annual Submission

• Provide timely submission of materials to the Greek Life Office. (maximum 3 late submissions) Chapter Portal

• Attend monthly Presidents Cabinet mtgs and IFC, NPHC, or PHC meetings. Maximum 2 absences.

• **Maintain good financial standing with LSU, governing council, and HQ.** Verified 11/1/19 by Greek Life Office

• Social Event Policy Acknowledgement for Presidents. 11/30/19: Chapter Portal Annual Submission

• Social Event Policy Acknowledgement for Advisors. Chapter Portal, should a change in advisor occur.

• **Meet the Chapter Advisor requirement of 3 (local/contiguous parishes) advisors.** Changes made through Chapter Portal.

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### Education

**To achieve accreditation for this Standard:**

• **100% of chapter to complete the Policy Acknowledgement Statement/Grade Release.** 9/5/19 All members and new members complete link through the designated link. Only additions and new members for the spring must complete by 2/15/19. Roster Day names will be used to verify compliance.

• **80% of chapter attend the Greek Life Fall Policy Education Workshop.** Fall 2019: Greek Life to present TigerBITes workshop. Greek Life to provide date, time and location. Make Up session led by Greek Life.

• **80% of new members attend TigerBITes Training.** Fall: Greek Life presented Bystander Training education to include Policy Education. Greek Life to provide date, time and location. Make Up session led by Greek Life.

• One advisor from each chapter attend Advisor Training each year. Annual: 5/22/19, 5:30-8 pm

• **80% of chapter attend an Academic, Wellness, Leadership or Career Workshop*.** Annual: Chapter Portal. University presenter resource will be on Greek Life website by February 8, 2019.

• **80% of chapter attend a Sexual Misconduct Education Program*.** Annual: Chapter Portal. University presenter resource will be on Greek Life website by February 8, 2019.

• **80% of chapter attend a Diversity/Inclusion Education Program*.** Annual: Chapter Portal. University presenter resource will be on Greek Life website by February 8, 2019.

GL provides QR Codes (total of 3) for attendance at programs:
RULES:
- Workshop details report must be submitted within 2 weeks of the program.
- MUST use QR code, no exceptions to include turning in your own attendance sheet. If internet is down, instruct members to use their data.
- May not host more than two workshops per day/night.
- Workshops hosted in the spring must have the make up in the spring.
- Workshops will be scored based on the # of members that are currently on the chapter roster in the Greek Life Office.

NOTE: Greek Life will score Workshops within 5 business days of submission. If the chapter does not meet 80%, the chapter president and advisor will be notified immediately.

Number of required attendees will be determined by Greek Life for the following:

- Attendance at Tri-Council Leadership Retreat. 1/11-12/19: Required: President, NM Edu, Risk Manager
- Attendance at Risk Mgmt Edu. Workshop - We're Committed Workshop. NPHC – 2/19/19 – PHC and IFC 2/20/19: 3 Executive Board Members
- Attendance at EMPOWER Leadership Weekend. 2/15-17/19: 2 minimum from each chapter.
- Attendance at Chapter Event Registration Training. 1/18/19 –
  - 2-3 pm Tigerlink-Campus Life and Event Registration Process: Required: Presidents, Fundraising/Philanthropy, Social Chairs, PHC Delegates
  - 3-5 pm, Social Event Training – Required: Pres, Social Chair and Team, IFC/PHC Risk Managers,
  **Following this training will be:** Tigerlink Training for Social Events with Alcohol On Campus Only
- Attendance at Chapter New Member Educator Training. Spring- Tri Council includes this training.
- Attendance at Chapter Judicial Board Training. Jan. 15, 22, 27, 29, Hosted by Student Advocacy and Accountability - 80% of Judicial Board must attend.

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**Civic/Campus Engagement**

To achieve accreditation for this Standard:

- One chapter organized service or philanthropy event each year. Annual: Chapter Portal.
  Clarification:
  - Must be chapter organized.
  - Must include date, place, time, charitable cause, names of members/new members participating and hours volunteering. If applicable, amount of money raised, to be included in Scorecard.
  - **Service** involves active/hands-on **service** to an organization, cause, or **community**.
  - **Philanthropy** involves raising money through an activity or fundraising that supports a charitable cause.
• 95% of chapter to perform four (4) service hours each semester. 4/26/19 – Chapter Portal, 11/1/19 – Chapter Portal.

Clarification:
- Must include each members/new members name with date(s), place(s), time(s), charitable cause(s), and hours volunteering, to be included in Scorecard.
- **Service** involving active/hands-on **service** to an organization, cause, or **community, where no money is received.**
- NOTE: University events such as Geaux Big, Greek Week, etc, as well as each other’s service events qualify. Service hours performed during spring school breaks and summer may count toward Spring Semester hours. (Dance Marathon is not a service and therefore would not count).

• 20% of chapter to participate in Greek Week. Spring – Calculated by GBOD.

• 80% of members to write one letter for Greek Week fundraising project. Annual- Calculated by GBOD.

• Faculty/staff advisor to attend one chapter meeting each semester. 3/1/19, Portal, name of faculty/staff member, one week later Greek Life to send link to Faculty/Staff advisor to complete by 4/26/19 to verify attendance at the chapter meeting.
  Note: A chapter advisor serving as a University employee cannot serve as the faculty/staff advisor.

**Extenuating circumstances will be considered by the Greek Life Office.**

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