

Office of Greek Life
AWARD OF EXCELLENCE
2009 Application

All fraternities and sororities are encouraged to complete the Awards of Excellence Application/Report. The applications will be evaluated by a selected group of impartial judges who include, but are not limited to, University faculty, staff, and students, as well as chapter advisors. Greek Life will recognize chapters for their overall performance and accomplishments. In order to be recognized, chapters must be in compliance with the University of Arkansas, Greek Life and their respective council. Recognition will also be given to chapters that excel in various areas such as academics, risk management, leadership development, etc. Awards will be presented at the annual Order of Omega Greek Awards program on Monday, April 19, 2010.

The application/report should be detailed and well documented in all areas. Limit material to what is SPECIFICALLY requested; all other material will be discarded. Attached is copy of the scoring sheet. Partial points will not be issued. Additional criteria or guidelines are also attached for you to document your chapter's performance and accomplishments. The judges will use this information to determine the Award of Excellence 2009 recipients.

Additional requirements:

- **Submit one copy of your completed application/report in a 3-ring binder or plastic cover. This application/report should be typed, professional, and checked for grammar and spelling.**
- **The application/report MUST be reviewed and signed by the chapter adviser and chapter president.**
- **Late awards applications will be substantially penalized as award-winning chapters complete tasks on time!**
- **The application/report documents chapter performance from January 12, 2009 through December 8, 2009.**

If you have any questions regarding this application, please contact Alexis Hurdle via email at ahurdle@uark.edu or by phone at 575.5001.

DUE DATE—
IFC & Panhellenic due Monday, November 23, 2009 in the
Greek Life office by no later than 5p.m.
NPHC is due March 8, 2010.

**University of Arkansas
Office of Greek Life**

**Award of Excellence
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ACADEMICS

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|---|-----------|
| 1. Grade Point Average (per semester) | |
| a) Meets or exceeds all campus average (15pts.) | 30 |
| b) Meets or exceeds all men's/women's average (10pts.) | 20 |
| 2. Meet Scholarship and Academic Achievement Criteria (See attachment) | 20 |

TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS _____

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING (10pts each per semester)

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|--|-----------|
| 1. Scholarship Program (tutoring, etc.) | 20 |
| 2. Leadership Development | 20 |
| 3. Multicultural/diversity program | 20 |
| 4. Sexual assault/safety program | 20 |
| 5. Health education program (AIDS Awareness, eating disorder, etc.) | 20 |
| 6. Career/financial planning program | 20 |
| 7. Meet Educational programming and Community Service Criteria
(See attachment) | 20 |

TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- | | |
|---|----|
| 1. Perform hands-on Community Service (<i>15pts per semester</i>) | 30 |
| 2. Conducts a philanthropy project | 10 |
| 3. Each member does an average of 3 hours of hands-on community service per semester (<i>15pts. per semester</i>) | 30 |
| 4. Participates in another groups philanthropy or community service project (<i>5pts per semester</i>) | 10 |

TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS _____

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

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|--|----|
| 1. Participation in All-Greek Summit (<i>5pts per member, Max. 25pts</i>) | 25 |
| 2. Participation in New Members Retreat (<i>5pts per member, Max. 25pts</i>) | 25 |
| 3. Participation in Emerging Leaders (<i>10pts per member, Max. 20pts</i>) | 20 |
| 4. Participation in monthly Tri Council Meetings (<i>5pts per meeting, Max. 35pts</i>) | 35 |

Bonus: Participation in LeaderShape (*10pts per member, Max. 20pts*) 20

TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS _____

RISK MANAGEMENT

- | | |
|---|----|
| 1. Chapter was not responsible for any violation of university policy | 30 |
| 2. Risk management/alcohol education program (10 pts per semester) | 20 |
| 3. Fire/Tornado Drill Program (5pts per semester) * | 10 |
| 4. Fire Inspection w/ university officials (5pts per semester)* | 10 |
| 5. Meet Risk Management Criteria (See attachment) | 20 |

** Not applicable for those chapters who do not have a chapter house that is recognized by the university.*

TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS _____

INVOLVEMENT

- A. Membership is involved in at least one registered student organization excluding Greek Life organizations (per semester) 25
1. 76% to 100% of chapter (12.5 pts.)
 2. 51% to 75% of chapter (10pts.)
 3. 21% to 50% of chapter (7.5 pts)
 4. 11% to 20% of chapter (5pts.)
 5. 1% to 10% of chapter (0pts.)
- B. Membership is involved in all Greek Life related organizations (ex. GAMMA, GLF, New Greek Council, White Ribbon, Hot Pink Ribbon, Order of Omega, etc.) 25
1. 16% to 100% of chapter (12.5 pts)
 2. 11% to 15% of chapter (10pts.)
 3. 6% to 10% of chapter (7.5 pts.)
 4. 1% to 5 % of chapter (5 pts.)
- C. Membership is involved in registered student organization leadership positions (ex. President, Vice President, etc.) 25
- Outside of the chapter (per semester)
1. 21% to 100% of chapter (12.5 pts.)
 2. 16% to 20% of chapter (10 pts.)
 3. 11% to 15% of chapter (7.5 pts.)
 4. 1% to 10% of chapter (5pts.)
- Co-sponsored an event in collaboration with a non-Greek organization 20
A non-Greek organization is defined as a registered student organization on the UofA campus. (10pts. per semester)
- Co-sponsored an event in collaboration with another council group 20
The organization must be apart of the IFC, NPHC, or NPC at the UofA. (10pts per semester)
- Co-sponsored an event in collaboration with another group within council 20
(10pts per semester)
- Meet **Greek Relations and University Relations/Campus Involvement Criteria** 20
(See Attachment)

TOTAL NUMBER OF POINTS _____

EFFICIENCY

A. Complete and submit paperwork/forms on time (per semester)	
1. Registered Student Organization Form (5pts)	10
2. New Member (Bid Day and Intake Cards) (5pts)	10
3. Community Service Forms (5pts)	10
4. Educational Forms (5pts)	10
5. Chapter Demographic Forms/Chapter Roster (5pts)	10
B. Attends council meetings (per semester)	20
C. Chapter does not miss a meeting (10 pts)	10
D. Chapter misses one meeting (5 pts.)	5
E. Chapter Advisor's contact information is on file (10 pts. per semester)	20
F. Meets with Office of Greek Life staff periodically (10 pts. per semester)	20
G. Meets Chapter Management Criteria (See attachment)	20

CHAPTER'S WITH HOUSE

TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE	775
REQUIREMENT TO RECEIVE RECOGNITION AWARD (SCORING 90% OR ABOVE)	699

CHAPTER'S WITHOUT A HOUSE

TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE	755
REQUIREMENT TO RECEIVE RECOGNITION AWARD (SCORING 90% OR ABOVE)	680

ADDITIONAL CRITERIA for Awards of Excellence Report

SCHOLARSHIP & ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Please include information and documentation for the following:

In detail, please describe the components of your academic support/assistance program.

In detail, please describe any recognition programs, academic incentive programs, and/or financial scholarships your chapter offers to members. Please indicate whether programs are local or national and what was awarded during the evaluation period.

What is your chapter's minimum grade point average for remaining in good standing with the chapter? What is the minimum grade point average for holding an office?

Please describe any academic workshops the chapter conducted/attended during the evaluation time period. Indicate who presented the workshop, when it was presented, and its effectiveness.

Who is your chapter's active faculty advisor (other than your regular chapter advisor), who assists you in the area of academics? Please describe how the faculty advisor assists the chapter. If your chapter doesn't have a faculty advisor, what steps have you taken to recruit one? Is your chapter faculty advisor's information on file in the Greek Life office?

Did anyone in your chapter apply for or receive scholarships from University of Arkansas and/or your national Organization/Foundation?

Chapter Name _____
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CHAPTER MANAGEMENT

Please include information and documentation for the following:

What methods does the chapter use to assess its effectiveness and goal attainment?

Does the chapter have an active advisory board and/or house corporation? Please indicate names and titles and describe their involvement and responsibilities in the management of the chapter.

How are officers transitioned? Do they participate in an officer retreat? Who facilitates their transition/retreat?

Does the chapter offer any recognition to members for service/leadership they have provided? (i.e. scholarships, awards, conference/leadership academy registrations). If so, please describe.

How is information communicated with chapter members? (i.e. meetings, newsletters, websites, list-servs, phone trees, etc.)

Describe in detail what type of planning and assessment tools/techniques does your group use.

Please note programs the chapter attended or sponsored in the area of chapter management. Program documentation should follow the following format:

Name of program: place name of program #1 here

Date: place date of program here

Program location: place location here

Participants: (i.e. new members, exec board, entire chapter, officers, etc.)

Facilitator: (i.e. guest speaker, alumnus, chapter advisor, chapter members, etc.)

Continue on with other programs in the same format.

Chapter Name _____

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RISK MANAGEMENT

Please include information and documentation for the following:

Please include a description of your chapter's risk management policy.

Please describe how you achieve compliance with university, chapter, council and national/international policies.

Did the chapter conduct a risk management workshop or seminar, which covered University, Chapter, Council, and/or national/international policies and procedures?

Please note programs the chapter attended or sponsored in the area of risk management or health and safety. Program documentation should follow the following format:

Name of program: place name of program #1 here

Date: place date of program here

Number in attendance: place number of chapter members in attendance here

Program objective: place objective here (i.e. alcohol education, STD's, drug use, date rape/sexual assault, etc.)

Continue on with other programs in the same format.

Chapter Name _____

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GREEK RELATIONS/GREEK COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Please include information and documentation for the following:

Please describe how the chapter supported, co-sponsored and/or interacted other chapters in the Greek Community – especially those in other councils. (i.e. correspondence, invited events, etc.). Please indicate name of chapters and specific interaction.

Please describe how the chapter participated in Greek Week activities, Greek Getaway (new members), Greek Summit, New Student Orientation, Tri Council meetings, Game for Life Blood Drive, Greek Diversity Week, and Greek Sing.

Please indicate if any chapter members held leadership positions within their respective governing organizations (IFC, NPHC, or Panhellenic).

Please describe any other interaction with your national organization. List any awards or honors received during the evaluation period. (Include individual member involvement).

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UNIVERSITY RELATIONS/CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

Please include information and documentation for the following:

Please describe campus (non-Greek) activities (i.e. University department sponsored events, guest lectures, awareness weeks) in which the chapter participated, sponsored or co-sponsored. Indicate the specific activity and involvement.

Please describe how the chapter participated in Welcome Week.

Please describe how the chapter participated in the University Make a Difference Day event held in October.

Please describe how the chapter participated in Homecoming 2009.

Please describe chapter activities that have enhanced University relations. Please include events aimed at enhancing faculty relations. Be specific and provide documentation.

Has your chapter hosted any campus officials, faculty, or community members? Provide a list of guests, dates, and information regarding any talks they have given.

Did any chapter members meet with campus officials, other than Greek Life Staff, during the evaluation period?

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EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING & COMMUNITY SERVICE/PHILANTHROPY

Please include information and documentation for the following:

Please describe and list all chapter sponsored/co-sponsored service projects/philanthropies for the evaluation period. List and describe each project, locations, number of members involved, amount of money and/or service hours donated, and its effectiveness (random checks will be conducted to insure accuracy).

Does your national organization have a national charity/philanthropy? If so, please indicate in detail if and how your chapter was involved with your national charity/philanthropy. (If you don't have a national charity/philanthropy, please indicate your chapter's local charity/philanthropy. Indicate your chapter's involvement with this charity/philanthropy.)

Does your chapter perform services or participate in initiatives that directly benefit **UA** and/or **UA** students? If so, please list and describe your chapter's involvement.

Did your chapter participate in any multicultural activities and/or events this year such as M.L.K. Events, etc? Please explain your chapter's involvement.

Please note programs the chapter attended or sponsored in the area of educational programs (scholarship, leadership, sexual assault, diversity, etc). Program documentation should follow the following format:

Name of program: place name of program #1 here

Date: place date of program here

Number in attendance: place number of chapter members in attendance here

Program objective: place objective here (i.e. diversity, leadership development, career/financial planning, etc.)

Please note community service projects/philanthropies the chapter has been involved within the past year.

Name of project: place name of project #1 here

Date: place date of program here

Number in attendance: place number of chapter members in attendance here

Location: place location of project here

Total amount donated: if appropriate, place total amount of donation here

Continue on with other events in the same format.

Please describe how community service/philanthropy activities have positively impacted your chapter's brotherhood/sisterhood.

Please note the community service efforts of your individual chapter members.

The following format should be followed:

Member's Name

Where service was completed Number of hours

Total Number of hours#

Continue on with other individuals in the same format.

Chapter Name_____

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