

SUNY Plattsburgh Fraternity/Sorority Chapter Accreditation Program

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The purpose of the Chapter Accreditation program is to assist chapters in monitoring and improving their own activity and performance. Revisions to this program are made through committee recommendation to the governance councils.

Chapter Rating Scale

Five Star Chapter	Chapters of Excellence
Four Star Chapter	Above Average Chapters
Three Star Chapter	Accredited Chapters

*Any chapters that do not meet the three star requirements are not accredited and will lose recognition by the Interfraternity Council or Inter-Sorority Association.

* Requirements and electives are accumulated each semester and are monitored in part through the submission of the Monthly Reports, and the Center for Fraternity and Sorority Life. At the beginning of each academic year, these statistics are reset to zero.

Three Star Requirements:

The following three-star requirements are based upon the four fraternal principles. Chapters who do not meet these requirements will lose their recognition by the Interfraternity Council or Inter-Sorority Association.

Scholarship:

- Minimum GPA for active members: 2.3
- Submit an academic plan each semester

Service:

- Raise at least \$5 for philanthropy /year per member
- Perform at least of 10 service hours/year per member

Friendship:

- 25% of the chapter must attend another Fraternity/Sorority's wellness/education/philanthropy event once per semester

Leadership:

- 75% Attendance at ISA/IFC delegate meetings
- Annual Recognition Process done and Monthly Reports turned in on time
- All New Members meet as a group with the Director of Fraternity/Sorority at an ISA/IFC meeting during their New Member Education program (dates to be announced)
- Membership Acceptance Cards turned in on time each semester
 - within 72 hours of extending bids.
- 75% of Training Day Workshops attended during the fall semester
- Turn in New Member Education Program one month prior to beginning program each semester

Four Star Requirements:

Chapter wishing to achieve four star status must complete the following, then choose seven electives. A chapter may work on three and four star requirements simultaneously, but will not achieve four star status unless the three star requirements are complete.

- Complete all 3-star requirements

Scholarship

- 50% of members have a semester GPA above all-campus average

Service

- Raise at least \$15 for philanthropy each year per member
- Perform at least of 20 service hours each year per member
- Hold a college service event once/semester
- Minimum 50% attendance at Week to GIVE

Friendship

- 25% of chapter attends a non-Fraternity/Sorority event once per semester
- Have one non-alcoholic social event with another fraternity or sorority once each semester
- Minimum 50% attendance at Greek Week

Leadership

- Send letters to all New Member parents/families each semester (Copies must be provided to Center for Fraternity/Sorority Life)
 - must be done within first week of New Member Education
- 75% of new members must attend the New Member Values Institute each semester
- At least one member of the executive board must meet with faculty advisor once each month
- Attend Presidents/Advisor's Council once/month
- Hold a wellness program for the chapter once per semester
- Submit a written recruitment plan with the first monthly of each semester
- Submit a code of conduct with the first monthly of each semester
- Hold a goal setting meeting and submit goals with the first monthly of each semester
- Have house inspected by the end of the September (if applicable)
- Fulfill all financial obligations, including insurance and ISA/IFC dues
- Consult with the Director of Fraternity/Sorority Life two weeks prior to New Member Education to review the program.

Four Star Electives – Choose Seven:

Scholarship

- 25% of members are in an honor society
- All New Members' GPA: 2.5 or higher
- All Active Members' GPA: 2.5 or higher
- All Executive Members' GPA: 2.6 or higher

Service

- One member participates in Alternative Break

Friendship

- Play one season of an intramural sport
- 25% of members are involved in other clubs/orgs

Leadership

- One member attends a leadership conference once/year

- Apply for fraternity/sorority awards in the spring
- Facilitate a fraternity/sorority leadership program once/year as an organization
- Update webpage every semester
- Publication in National Magazine/Press Republican/Cardinal Points (initiated by Chapter; must submit a copy of the article)

Five Star Requirements:

Five star status will be given to exceptional chapters that go above and beyond the basic requirements of a four star chapter. They must complete the following, then choose six electives. A chapter may work on four and five star requirements simultaneously, but may not achieve five star status until all four star requirements are completed.

- Complete 4-star requirements and electives

Scholarship

- none

Service

- Raise at least \$25 for philanthropy each year per member
- Perform at least of 30 service hours each year per member

Friendship

- Have at least 25% of the chapter attend two non-fraternal events (i.e. club or sporting event) per semester.
- Have two non-alcoholic social events with another fraternity or sorority each semester

Leadership

- Hold a values-based program for the chapter once a semester and have it pre-approved by the Director of Fraternity/Sorority life each semester
- Not found guilty of any judicial charges against the group from the college
- Faculty Advisor must attend one event or chapter meeting each semester
- Initiate 80% of New Members
- Have an 80% Member Retention rate each semester (excluding graduates)
- Participate in the New Member Education Showcase in the fall semester

Electives – Choose 6:

Scholarship

- None

Service

- None

Friendship

- Co-host one education or philanthropy event with another fraternity or sorority once each semester

Leadership

- Have at least one new member attend Future Fraternal Leaders Series each semester
- Have 25% of members enrolled in the Leadership Certification Program
- One member serves as an SA Senator
- One member serves as an RA
- One member on ISA/IFC Executive Board
- Register all social events with alcohol through the Center for Fraternity/Sorority Life
- Initiate 15 members during the academic year
- 75% of members attend the Training Day Workshops in the Spring Semester