



University of Wisconsin Oshkosh
Relationship Statement between the University Administration and the Greek Community

Fraternity and Sorority chapters have been established on the campus of the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh through joint sponsorship of the University and the various inter/national organizations. This statement affirms the relationship among the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, its recognized chapters/colonies of National Panhellenic Conference (NPC), National Interfraternity Conference (NIC) and National Pan-Hellenic Council, Inc. (NPHC) member groups, and their respective inter/national organizations. In recognition of the potentially important role Greek-letter organizations in individual student development and the significant contribution they can provide to the comprehensive mission of the University, the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh continues to support their growth.

The University is committed to assisting each member chapter of the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils to develop and pursue a positive, intellectual and social atmosphere and to meet both University standards and the standards of its inter/national organization. In recognition of the extent to which the concerns and objectives of Greek-letter organizations are reflective of the University Mission, self regulation of the recognized chapters, acting independently or through IFC and/or NPC, will be encouraged and supported at all times.

University's Expectations of the Greek Community

Greek-letter organizations are different in some respects from other student organizations, particularly in member selection, secret rituals of initiation, the broad scope of organizational activities, high campus visibility and their relationship to their inter/national organization. Therefore, the University has expectations of performance and behavior that all Greek-letter organizations must meet to be looked upon favorably by the University. These expectations include, but are not limited to:

1. **Integrity:** All fraternity and sorority chapter members, new members, and affiliates are expected to speak and act with honesty and respect for the human dignity of others and the standards/principles of the individual organizations.
2. **Academic Success:** Each Greek organization has programs and policies that will promote and encourage academic success leading to positive results in recruitment and retention.
3. **Involvement:** Encourage members of individual chapters to be actively involved in at least one other organization on campus.
4. **Social Activities:** Socials are conducted in a manner that promotes safe and positive social development.
5. **Communication:** Each individual organization meets with the University Greek Advisor at least once per semester.
6. **Advisement:** Each individual organization secures an active faculty advisor.
7. **Accountability:** Each individual organization holds members accountable for their actions with each respective organization's disciplinary board being the body that deals with any internal situations.
8. **Annual Review to the Administration:** Every Greek-letter organization shall file a yearly review if they do not apply for the Chancellor's Award for Greek excellence, due to the Greek Advisor no later than the first day of April.

Greek Community's Expectations of the University

With the expectations set forth by the University on the Greek Community, it is vital that the University understand that assistance will be needed in meeting these expectations. The following expectations will aid in creating a cooperative effort to make the Greek Community as beneficial as possible to the University and each organizations respective members.

1. **Integrity:** Although espousing higher principles invites criticism when we fail, the opposite that of having no principles, is a greater offense. Therefore, we expect university officials to endorse the positive aspects of Greek life and firmly adhere to the standards and policies set forth in the Faculty Handbook in regards to the treatment of students.
2. **Academic Success:** The University, recognizing academic success, will assist Greek organizations to develop and maintain programs that will further academic achievement among Greek members.
3. **Leadership:** Develop, in collaboration with Greek organizations, leadership conferences and seminars to promote leadership within Greek organizations and the campus beyond.



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4. **Advisement:** Create and maintain a list of those faculty/staff that would be willing to serve actively as academic advisors to the Greek community and recognize those advisors who put time and effort into the Greek community (i.e. through a possible Advisor of the Year Award).
5. **Public Relations:** Establish effective mechanisms to communicate the successes, positive aspects, and purposes of Greek organizations to the campus and surrounding community.
6. **Community Service:** Create and maintain a list of philanthropic/community service organizations and activities and recognize those Greek organizations with outstanding community service (i.e. chapters who average at least 10 hours per member and the highest chapter average).
7. **Discipline:** Recognize the integral and primary role of Greek organizations is to practice self-regulation of recognized chapters in deciding disciplinary measures. The inter/national offices of Greek organizations have the utmost authority in the formulations and implementation of disciplinary measures when the situation arises. It is important to promote increased cooperation and coordination between the Dean of Students Office and the inter/national offices of Greek organizations to ensure a multifaceted and sustainable approach to disciplinary procedures.

The expectations set forth in this document are to enhance the relationship between the University and Greek Community. By embracing these expectations we will grow stronger as a community and maintain our status as an integral part of the University. And, through the upholding of these expectations the University will actively support the growth and expansion of the Greek community. By evaluating this document as necessary, but at least once every two years, we will ensure that we have set forth reasonable and purposeful expectations.

IFC President, 2002

Panhellenic President, 2002

IFC President, 2003

Panhellenic President, 2003

Beta Theta Pi, Representative

Alpha Xi Delta, Representative

Delta Chi, Representative

Gamma Phi Beta, Representative

Delta Sigma Phi, Representative

Phi Mu, Representative

Sigma Pi, Representative

Sigma Sigma Sigma, Representative

Theta Chi, Representative

Zeta Tau Alpha, Representative

IFC Advisor

Panhellenic Advisor

Dean of Students