

Academic Policy

Every chapter must maintain a minimum chapter quarterly grade point average of 2.4 inclusive of new members and initiates. Grades of individual chapter members will be made available to chapter presidents, scholarships officers and advisors. A Scholarship Performance Report will be issued by Campus Life on a quarterly basis and will be provided directly to each chapter. Chapters that are placed on sanction status will be notified in writing. If a chapter has not attained a grade point average of 2.4 and a change occurs in a member's grades, Campus Life should be notified of the change (in writing) at the time the change takes place. Only if a chapter is on sanction status will a change in member's grade warrant re-computation of the chapter's grade point average for a given quarter.

Failure to achieve the minimum grade point requirement of 2.4 will result in the following sanctions. Failure to achieve the minimum on one occasion will result in Level I Sanction with failures in successive quarters leading to higher levels of sanction:

Level I Sanction Status

1. Notification of chapter probationary status sent to chapter president, chapter advisor, and inter/national office.
2. The chapter must complete the following:
 - Plan two academic programs for the chapter using University academic resources.
 - Prepare a written action plan for academic improvement. The plan for academic improvement must be signed by the chapter president, scholarship officer and advisor.
 - Arrange a meeting between the Assistant Director for Greek Life, the chapter president, and the chapter advisors to review the action plan (no later than two weeks after notification).
 - Limit chapter social activities to two events for the quarter, only one of which may include service of alcohol beverages.

Failure to comply with any of the above conditions and/or of the requirements automatically and immediately places the chapter on Level II Sanction Status.

If the chapter achieves the required grade point average at the end of the quarter, the chapter will be placed on Scholarship Development Status (SDS) for the following quarter. If the chapter achieves the required grade point average at the end of that quarter, the chapter will be removed from any sanction status for the following quarter. If the chapter fails to achieve the required grade point average while on SDS status, it will be placed on Level II Sanction Status.

Level II Sanction Status

Includes the requirements of Level I plus the following:

1. Suspension of chapter social privileges. The chapter president must make an appeal by the fourth week of the quarter for any exception to this sanction in writing to the Assistant Director of Campus Life for Greek Life.

Failure to comply with any of the above conditions and/or of the requirements automatically and immediately places the chapter on Level III Sanction Status.

If the chapter achieves the required grade point average at the end of the quarter, the chapter will be placed on Scholarship Development Status (SDS) for the following quarter. If the chapter achieves the required grade point average at the end of that quarter, the chapter will be removed from any sanction status for the following quarter. If the chapter fails to achieve the required grade point average while on SDS status, it will be placed on Level III Sanction Status.

Level III Sanction Status

Includes the requirement of Level II plus the following:

1. Suspension of recruitment and/or intake.
2. Request from the University to the inter/national office for a meeting between representative of inter/national office, chapter president, chapter advisor and University official.

Failure to comply with any of the above conditions and/or of the requirements automatically and immediately places the chapter on Level IV Sanction Status.

If the chapter achieves the required grade point average at the end of the quarter, the chapter will be placed on Scholarship Development Status (SDS) for the following quarter. If the chapter achieves the required grade point average at the end of that quarter, the chapter will be removed from any sanction status for the following quarter. If the chapter fails to achieve the required grade point average while on SDS status, it will be placed on Level IV Sanction Status.

Level IV Sanction Status

1. Revocation of university recognition of the chapter including loss of exemption from the University housing policy that allows chapter members to live in chapter house instead of University residence halls.
2. Request from the University to inter/national office for removal of chapter charter.

Scholarship Development Status

Chapter must follow the academic action plan created by the chapter and approved by Campus Life.

By Friday of the fourth week of the quarter, the chapter and scholarship officer will meet with the Assistant Director of Campus Life for Greek Life to review the action plan.

To Regain Recognition After Losing Recognition for Academic Reasons

In the event that a chapter loses University recognition due to failure to meet the requirements of this policy, the chapter may petition the Greek Life Committee for reinstatement under the following guidelines:

- The chapter must present a plan for chapter redevelopment that clearly and persuasively addresses the academic failings heretofore.
- The petition must include explicit support from the inter/national organization.
- The chapter will be inactive for at least one quarter, during which it may function only for the purpose of preparing its petition and redevelopment plan.
- Campus Life will continue to monitor academic performance of a suspended chapter for one calendar year if so requested by the chapter for use in its development of a petition and redevelopment plan.
- A chapter petitioning for reinstatement must meet all other requirements of the University in order for its petition to be considered.
- In the event that a reinstated chapter is suspended from campus within one year of reinstatement, no further petition for reinstatement will be considered from the chapter for five years or until all members of the chapter graduate or are no longer affiliated with Ohio University.
- A reinstated chapter returns to the community on Level II Sanction Status.

The Greek Life Committee will consider the petition for reinstatement and present its recommendation to the Dean of Students for final approval or denial.