



**Student Involvement**

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Dear Chapter Presidents, Chapter Advisors, Faculty Advisors, & Headquarters Staff:

This letter contains information regarding the Fall 2017 academic report for all fraternities and sororities at George Mason University (Mason). Please take time to review your chapter’s information and contact our office with any questions.

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the top three sororities and fraternities with the highest Grade Point Average (GPA) during the 2017 Fall Semester.

**Sororities: Alpha Kappa Alpha (3.42), Chi Upsilon Sigma (3.25) and Chi Omega (3.21)**  
**Fraternities: Iota Nu Delta (3.30), Beta Theta Pi (3.06), and Alpha Epsilon Pi (3.01)**

In addition, during the 2017 fall semester 26% of our fraternity and sorority members made the Dean List having received at minimum a 3.5 Term GPA. We are very proud of our community scholars but realize that there is still room for improvement regarding our community’s overall academic performance. Below is the general academic information for our FSL community and Overall Mason Community.

<b>All-FSL:</b>	<b>2.90</b>	<b>All-Sorority:</b>	<b>3.06</b>	<b>All-Fraternity:</b>	<b>2.67</b>
<b>All-Undergraduate:</b>	<b>3.01</b>	<b>All-Female:</b>	<b>3.13</b>	<b>All-Male:</b>	<b>2.88</b>

George Mason University recognizes the importance that scholastic achievement plays in the success of a chapter. All chapters were asked to maintain a 2.5 term GPA and 93% of our chapters met our standard. Those that did not will have to meet with our office to develop a scholarship action plan and will also lose certain privileges for the upcoming semester.

In closing, Mason has a wide array of resources available to chapters and members of the Fraternity and Sorority Community. If you have a successful academic program that you would like to share with our community or are looking to get tips on how to increase your chapter’s GPA, please let us know. If you have questions or concerns about any information listed in this report don’t hesitate to contact us at (703) 993-2909 to set up an appointment to discuss your chapter’s needs or concerns.

Interfraternally,

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## George Mason University Fall 2017 Community Report

Population Statistics		Fraternity Men	806	Undergraduate Men	12,144	Academic Statistics	<b>All-Male Avg</b>	<b>2.88</b>	IFC Exec Board	2.59			
		Sorority Women	1,144	Undergraduate Women	12,341		<b>All-Female Avg</b>	<b>3.13</b>	MGC Exec Board	1.91			
		Total F&S Enrollment	1,950	Undergraduate Enrollment	24,485		<b>All-Student Avg</b>	<b>3.01</b>	NPHC Exec Board	3.22			
		Fraternity Men %	6.6%	Active Members	1,322		Fraternity Average	2.67	CPH Exec Board	3.21			
		Sorority Women %	9.3%	New Members	628		Sorority Average	3.06	Chapter Presidents	3.06			
		F&S Total %	8.0%	Community Service Hours	4,807		FSL Average	2.90	FSL Deans List	508			
Interfraternity Council (IFC)							Initiated Member Avg.	2.96	FSL Deans List %	26%			
Rank	Chapter	Chapter GPA	Chapter Size	Active GPA	# of New Members	New Mem GPA	Academic Statistics	Initiated Sorority	3.13	Sorority Deans List	378		
								Initiated Fraternity	2.75	Fraternity Deans List	130		
1	Beta Theta Pi	3.06	46	3.09	11	2.96		New Member Avg.	2.78	# of Fraternities at/above All-Male	5		
2	Alpha Epsilon Pi	3.01	19	3.02	7	3.00		New Member Sorority	2.94	% of Fraternities at/above All-Male	21%		
3	Delta Chi	2.95	54	3.04	20	2.75		New Member Fraternity	2.45	# of Sororities at/above All-Female	4		
4	Kappa Alpha Order	2.90	20	2.96	2	**		# of Chapters at/above 2.5	40	% of Sororities at/above All-Female	21%		
5	Chi Psi	2.82	47	2.86	12	2.72		% of Chapters at/above 2.5	93%	Total # of Chapters	43		
6	Sigma Phi Epsilon	2.81	14	2.97	3	2.25							
7	Pi Kappa Phi	2.80	67	2.84	17	2.69							
8	Phi Kappa Sigma	2.69	52	2.76	6	2.19							
	<b>All-IFC</b>	<b>2.68</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>2.76</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2.44</b>	National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC)						
Rank	Chapter	Chapter GPA	Chapter Size	Active GPA	# of New Members	New Mem GPA	9	Sigma Chi	2.66	35	2.88	7	1.84
							10	Alpha Kappa Lambda	2.62	18	2.76	8	2.46
11	Sigma Alpha Epsilon	2.57	46	2.53	10	2.70	11	Alpha Kappa Alpha	3.42	6	3.42	n/a	n/a
12	Alpha Sigma Phi	2.53	54	2.70	16	2.14	12	Zeta Phi Beta	3.03	11	3.16	5	2.87
12	Kappa Sigma	2.53	78	2.59	14	2.26	13	Delta Sigma Theta	2.86	24	2.86	n/a	n/a
14	Phi Sigma Kappa	2.52	77	2.56	30	2.47		<b>All-NPHC</b>	<b>2.77</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2.86</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2.48</b>
14	Pi Kappa Alpha	2.52	95	2.64	21	2.17	4	Phi Beta Sigma	2.73	4	2.73	n/a	n/a
16	Theta Chi	2.34	22	2.71	5	1.01	5	Omega Psi Phi	2.63	7	2.63	n/a	n/a
Multicultural Greek Council (MGC)							6	Sigma Gamma Rho	2.55	6	2.70	3	2.45
Rank	Chapter	Chapter GPA	Chapter Size	Active GPA	# of New Members	New Mem GPA	7	Kappa Alpha Psi	2.51	6	**	4	2.58
							8	Alpha Phi Alpha	2.17	9	2.28	4	1.85
1	Iota Nu Delta	3.30	8	3.67	3	2.84	Panhellenic Council						
2	Chi Upsilon Sigma	3.25	6	3.25	n/a	n/a	Rank	Chapter	Chapter GPA	Chapter Size	Active GPA	# of New Members	New Mem GPA
3	Sigma Psi Zeta	3.09	10	n/a	10	3.09	1	Chi Omega	3.21	133	3.26	44	3.13
4	Kappa Phi Lambda	2.98	18	2.94	7	3.04	2	Gamma Phi Beta	3.13	132	3.22	41	2.94
4	Lambda Theta Alpha	2.98	13	2.98	n/a	n/a	3	Alpha Phi	3.12	126	3.17	45	3.02
6	Lambda Pi Chi	2.82	8	2.87	3	2.77	4	Pi Beta Phi	3.08	125	3.07	36	3.08
	<b>All-MGC</b>	<b>2.82</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2.81</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2.84</b>		<b>All-Panhellenic</b>	<b>3.08</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>3.16</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>2.95</b>
7	Lambda Upsilon Lambda	2.76	6	2.63	1	**	5	Alpha Omicron Pi	3.06	142	3.16	40	2.81
8	Kappa Phi Gamma	2.73	13	2.91	7	2.57	6	Alpha Xi Delta	3.04	126	3.21	39	2.68
9	alpha Kappa Delta Phi	2.64	20	2.65	8	2.64	7	Zeta Tau Alpha	3.00	134	3.02	41	2.95
10	Pi Delta Psi	2.57	17	2.52	6	2.70	8	Kappa Delta	2.97	91	n/a	91	2.97
11	Phi Iota Alpha	1.62	5	1.62	n/a	n/a							

\*\* Fraternity and Sorority Life will not publish the grades of groups with less than 3 members



## Fraternity and Sorority Life Academic Policy

### Academic Requirements:

In an effort to better emphasize the academic focus and mission of both the University and the fraternity and sorority community, the following minimum chapter academic standards were developed by Fraternity & Sorority Life.

All chapters below the all-male or all-female GPA must meet with Fraternity & Sorority Life to review their current academic programs and formulate ideas on how to make adjustments/improvement to their scholarship program.

### Minimum Chapter Academic Standing:

- 2.50 semester chapter GPA (chapter defined as actives and new members combined)
- Failure to maintain the minimum GPA will result in the chapter being placed in Poor Standing with Fraternity & Sorority Life for all campus and Inter/National reporting and the following will result

Failure to achieve minimum chapter academic standards will result in the following:

### 1<sup>st</sup> Semester:

- The chapter may **NOT** host/co-sponsor **ANY** social event (defined as date parties, mixers, formals, semi-formals, Parties or any event with alcohol) for the following semester.
- The chapter leadership (president and scholarship chairman) will schedule a meeting with the appropriate FSL advisor to outline a scholarship action plan.
- Additional sanctions as outlined in the councils' scholarship policy may also apply.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Consecutive Semester:

- The chapter may **NOT** host/co-sponsor **ANY** social event (defined as date parties, mixers, formals, semi-formals, Parties or any event with alcohol) for the following semester.
- The chapter leadership (president and scholarship chairman) will schedule a meeting (by phone) with the appropriate FSL advisor AND a representative from the regional or inter/national office to discuss the chapter academic performance.
- The chapter will not be allowed to participate in Homecoming events or Greek Week the following semester (whichever is appropriate).
- All chapter programs will need to be approved by Fraternity & Sorority Life. A full calendar of events will be submitted by the 10<sup>th</sup> business day of the following semester.
  - Could result in chapter not participating in certain large-scale university events (Greek Week, Homecoming, Patriots Day, etc.) as determined by FSL and Chapter Advisors
- Additional sanctions as outlined in the councils' scholarship policy may also apply.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Consecutive Semester:

- The chapter will lose all university recognition. The chapter will have no rights or privileges of being a registered student organization.
  - In order to apply for re-recognition, a chapter's GPA must be at or above the minimum 2.5. They must submit a written request for re-recognition to the Associate Director for Fraternity and Sorority Life. The request must include a thorough academic plan. Upon reviewing the materials, the officers of the organization will meet with the Associate Director for Fraternity & Sorority Life.

### **Fraternity and Sorority Life Leadership Positions :**

#### **(Governing Council officers and other FSL Office positions)**

All members in a Fraternity and Sorority Life Leadership position must achieve a 2.5 cumulative GPA & term GPA, and must maintain these standards throughout their term. Member who's cumulative and/or term GPA drops below a 2.5 while in office will forfeit any and all positions held. Once a member's GPA falls below the required 2.5 cumulative and/or term GPA Fraternity & Sorority Life will notify the student in writing; thus the student will have 5 business days from the date of the letter to resign his/her position.

#### **Governing Council Academic Recommendations:**

In addition to these academic requirements, it is strongly advised that each governing council develop, implement, and enforce a substantial academic scholarship plan and/or policy which should, at minimum include the following:

- General purpose statement on academic achievement
- A short and/or long term plan which addresses minimum academic standards (specific to each council)
- An outline of council specific awards/incentives for chapters that exceed the minimum standards
- An outline of council specific sanctions/interventions for chapters not meeting the minimum standards
- A list of resources available to both the chapter, as well as individual members

#### **\*Notes\***

1. Fraternity & Sorority Life will make the final determination of what activities are deemed as "social" in reference to this policy.