



Example of a Model Scholarship Program

Establish Chapter Membership Responsibilities

a). Classification of Membership: any undergraduate member of Chapter will be considered in good standing if they have a Semester GPA of above a 2.5

b). Any member whose semester GPA falls below a 2.5 will be placed on academic probation pending circumstantial evidence explaining GPA drop. If no circumstantial evidence is available, they will be placed on academic probation and will have 1 semester to raise their GPA to above a 2.5 to be considered a good academic standing member of the chapter and removed from academic probation

c). If a member that was on academic probation after the allotted 1 semester does not improve their GPA or show initiative to improve their GPA, they will remain on academic probation and will not be allowed to partake in any social events.

d). In the case that one of our Executive Board members falls below the required 2.5 GPA, she will be placed on academic probation, and will NOT be able to hold her position until she is in good academic standing, and the executive board will assign her position to a member who is in good standing. Alternately, in the case that one of our Executive Board members falls below the required 2.5 GPA, she will be placed on academic probation, and will not be able to partake in any social events even if this is her first semester on academic probation.

e). No member shall be allowed to run for or be considered for an executive board position if her cumulative GPA is below a 2.85 or if her previous semester GPA was below a 2.5.

Establish Academic Sanctions

a). After the first allotted semester on academic probation has passed and a member's GPA remains below a 2.5, that member may not attend social events until she is back in good academic standing with the chapter, ie. until she is able to improve her semester GPA to a 2.5 or higher.

b). All sanctions should be constructive and designed to help members.
4). Establish Academic Interventions, Not Punishments

a). Any member who is on academic probation is required to attend a specified number of study hours per week.

b). Any member who is on academic probation is required to submit progress reports from her classes every 4th week of the semester

c). Any member who is on academic probation is required to attend office hours with each of their professors once a month. Studies show that the more time spent in office hours, the higher the GPA) *study is not conclusive

d). Any member on academic probation will be required to meet with the scholarship chair to develop a personalized plan for academic success. The member and chair will create realistic scholarship goals for the individual to work towards. The plan will include things such as increased study hours, increased visits to office hours, or anything that will help that member achieve her personal academic goals.

e). Any member who seeks outside help and resources will be given the help and support they seek. We will have information available for campus resources to provide tutoring, support, or anything a member may need.

f). We will suggest to our members on academic probation to set up a meeting with Academic Coaches available through the Student Success Center to help them setup an individual plan to improve their GPA.

Incentive Programs

a). Every chapter meeting, a member will be recognized for an academic achievement that week (Ex. A on a test, paper, or project, not skipping any classes, once a month, a member who wrote a great paper or did an interesting project has the opportunity to share a short summary of this with the chapter, etc.)

b). At the beginning of each semester, all of the women who made the Dean's List for the previous semester will be recognized

c). Each semester, the members with the top three-most improved GPAs will be recognized

d). Members who achieved individual scholarship/GPA goals will be recognized

Academic Environment

a). The Scholarship Chair shall maintain the study room and make improvements as necessary

b). Quiet hours at the house from 7pm-7am, Sunday through Thursday, enforceable by the accountability of the standards board.

Study Hours

a). Study Table Hours encouraged for all members- regardless of GPA

b). Log each hour of studying

c). Require a certain amount of hours each week- must be logged. Members who do not fulfill their required study hours for each week will earn a warning for the first offense and will lose social privileges for the next social function for the second offense. Upon the third offense, the member will be called in front of the standards board to assess her good standing within the chapter.

Resources

a). Scholarship Advisor (Faculty member or qualified alumni)

b). Guest speakers to talk about subjects such as time management

c). Assist with members' tutoring costs

- d). Current List of all members' majors
- e). List of the hours for campus libraries and tutoring centers
- f). Study Abroad Office hours and resources

Create an Academic Calendar Including:

- a). Date classes begin for all terms, including summer
- b). Last day to register for classes
- c). Last day to add/drop classes without a W
- d). Last day to drop classes with a W
- e). Last day to apply for graduation
- f). Registration dates for the next term
- g). Last day to submit senior honors thesis
- h). Final exam dates
- i). Commencement Date
- j). Dates of graduate school entrance exams
- k). Last day to submit graduate school applications for UT
- l). All major campus events, including homecoming, athletic events, philanthropies, etc.