



Faculty Advisors

Below is a general outline of the role of a Faculty/Staff advisor. This vital position works closely with chapters on their overall scholarship program including the following:

- Assist the chapter in developing an overall scholarship program
- Assist with developing any scholarship recognition program for the chapter
- Meet with new members to review their academic progress and plans
- Attend any scholarship receptions the chapter hosts
- Meet with the Scholarship Chair to review individual GPA's
 - Offer advice on how to recognize those who did well
 - Offer assistance to those who did not do well
- Meet with individual members who are in need of academic assistance
- Attend a chapter meeting to get to know the members and review what is a Faculty Advisor
- Faculty Advisors are fully covered under the university's liability policy while acting in the scope of a Faculty Advisor
- Most inter/national fraternities and sororities also provide liability coverage for faculty/staff acting in the scope as Faculty/Staff advisors (it is always a good practice to check with the inter/national organization for the specifics of this coverage)
- Faculty Advisors serve one-year terms with possible extensions based on a mutual agreement between the fraternity or sorority and the faculty advisor. This ensures that both parties (the Faculty/Staff advisor and the chapter) are constantly assessing the working relationship
- Faculty Advisors are not expected to serve as the chapter advisor nor to serve on the alumni board (if they wish to serve in these positions that would be great but it is not expected)
- Faculty Advisors are not on call nor are they responsible for the social aspects of the chapter

This outline is meant to be a starting point. Ideally, the Faculty/Staff advisor and the chapter will develop a list of specific duties that both can mutually agree upon.

Support for Faculty Advisors

- Require each group have a faculty advisor
- Establishing a Faculty Advisors Listserve for advisors to share resources and ideas
- Provide regular updates to advisors from Greek Life on academic issues
- Provide faculty/staff advisors with a list of the chapter member's GPA's each semester (assuming members have signed a grade release form)
- Provide an Academic Awards program for individuals and chapters
- Track each chapter's Academic Incentives they offer to their members and compare to the rest of the Greek Community
- Provides an Outstanding Faculty advisor/Staff Award
- Provides an Academic Honor Society for Greeks (i.e. Gamma Sigma Alpha)