

Steps to Improving Chapter Scholarship

There are 8 basic steps required to improve chapter scholarship.

1. Appoint a Scholarship Committee. Get organized!
2. Evaluate the academic standing and needs of the chapter.
3. Set academic goals and minimum academic standards.
4. Develop a program to reach those goals.
5. Strive for cooperation with the college or university.
6. Monitor academic progress and follow up on the program.
7. Repeat steps 2-7 continually.
8. Recruit an Academic Advisor to assist the group in steps 2-7.

The key to good scholarship success is all in the attitude of the chapter's members. Chapters that promote scholarship and develop a positive academic environment do well. Attitude is the key to individual and chapter success.

Scholarship Committee

The Scholarship Committee should consist of members of each class level and a faculty scholastic advisor. The chairman of this committee should be a good academic role model (although he does not need to have the highest GPA). Many chapters will have the elected Librarian serve as the chairman, thus stressing the importance of scholarship and giving greater responsibility to that ritual position. The Marshal and any other members involved with the new member education program should also be a part of the scholarship committee.

The committee is charged with developing scholarship programs to assist all chapter members. The committee then ensures that all programs and policies are successfully implemented within the chapter. Other responsibilities of the scholarship committee may vary from chapter to chapter.

The following is a list of the major responsibilities of the committee:

- To promote a positive attitude toward scholastic achievement.
- Evaluate the academic needs of the chapter.
- To establish goals for the semester and academic year. These goals must be presented, in writing, to the chapter. - Chapter GPA - Ranking among fraternities and all men's average - Programming goals; scholarships, awards, computers, banquets, etc.
- To develop a chapter scholarship program. - Report progress to chapter regularly - Quiet hours/Loud hours - Study, project and resource area
- To develop a scholarship program specifically for New Members and assist the Marshal in implementing this program. - Study recommendations - Establish GPA goal - Method to monitor academic progress - Tutoring and Big/Little Brother assistance
- To work with the chapter officers in maintaining good study conditions in the chapter house. - Quiet hours - Study room - Chapter Computer
- To recognize scholastic achievement and improvement. - Develop awards and scholarships
- Set up a program for holdover pledges and members on academic suspension. - Individualized study programs, tutoring and additional assistance - Plans are coordinated with Marshal and Social Chairman

Theta Chi Fraternity Grade Report Form

As a member of Theta Chi Fraternity I, _____, in recognizing the primary importance of academics to my tenure at *your institution* and in adhering to my fraternity's motto "*Alma Mater first and Theta Chi for Alma Mater,*" hereby commit to improving myself and my academic performance. In so doing, I commit myself to completing the following grade report form on a monthly basis for the entire _____ term of the _____ academic year.

Signed: _____

This report certifies that _____ is maintaining the grade, points and attendance listed below.

Date	Letter Grade	Points	Attendance	Instructor's signature	Comments

Scholarship Chairman: _____

Standards Chairman: _____