

Theta Chi Fraternity

Howard R. Alter, Jr. Award for
Chapter Excellence Application
2005-2006

Section Three
Scholarship Programming

Theta Rho Chapter
McNeese State University

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SECTION THREE
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMMING

Goal: *To help emphasize and encourage scholarship and academics through a chapter Scholarship program. Chapters should be above the all men's average and all fraternity grade point average. The scholarship program should contain educational programming for all initiates and new members, should involve guest speakers and seminars, a tutorial program, awards, and other special meetings or support.*

A. Please circle the grade equivalency basis used at your university.

5.0 = A 4.0 = A 3.0 = A

B. What was the campus all-men's average for fall semester 2005? Include winter quarter statistics if applicable. **McNeese State University does not calculate the all-men's average.**

C. What was the campus all-fraternity average (combination of new members and initiates) for fall semester 2005? Include winter quarters statistics if applicable. **The campus all-fraternity average was 2.48.**

D. What was your chapter/colony/interest group's GPA for the fall semester 2005 initiates? New members? Combined? Include winter quarter statistics if applicable.

Fall 2005 Initiates = 3.19

Fall 2005 New Members = 2.54

Fall 2005 Combined = 2.865

E. How did the chapter rank among all men's fraternities for fall semester 2005? Include the total number of fraternities. (*For example - the chapter placed 2nd of 15.*) Include winter quarter statistics if applicable. **Theta Chi ranked 1st out of 3 total fraternities here on McNeese State University.**

F. List all members who received recognition for academic achievement in the 2005-2006 academic year. Include such honors as Dean's List, Phi Beta Kappa, National Order of Omega, other honor societies, and any other applicable academic recognition.

President's List = Chad Anderson, Jared Lognion, Stevie Gonzalez

Dean's List = Adam Rogers, Matt Juneau

Honor's List = Logan Bachelot, Chad Colthrop, Phillip Karam, Cory Nelands, Travis Fraser

- G. What grade point average must a member or new member maintain to remain in good standings with the chapter? What happens if a new member or new member falls below this average? **A member/active brother must maintain a cumulative or semester GPA of 2.5 to stay in good standings with the chapter and stay off of academic probation. All new members must have a GPA of 2.5 or they can not and will not be initiated and also will be put on academic probation. Academic probation is the restriction of being able to attend any social event or participate in any intramural events the following semester of being given academic probation.**
- H. Are the academic expectations for chapter officers higher than those of members or new members? Describe. **No, there is no academic expectations, but we do look at the person's GPA when considering them for an office. If they can take care of their school work and do well, then this reflects if they will get the fraternity work done as well.**
- I. How many initiates have a grade point average below that of the all-fraternity average? How many new members have a grade point average below that of the all-fraternity average? **We have 2 initiates that had a Fall 2005 GPA below the all-fraternity average of 2.48. We also had one new member under the average as well.**
- J. Does the chapter currently utilize an Academic Advisor or a Faculty Advisor? If so, describe any assistance he/she has offered the chapter and provide a letter from he advisor verifying this information. **We do not have a academic on campus, we do have a faculty advisor, but we do not utilize him.**
- K. Please provide the name of the Scholarship Chairman and the names of members/new members on the chapter Scholarship Committee. Please describe the role of the Scholarship Committee.
Scholarship Chairman = Chad Anderson
Scholarship Committee = John Hunt, Logan Bachelot, and Stevie Gonzalez
Role of Scholarship Committee = The role of this committee is to help the librarian with his duties if he needs any. The committee creates, discusses, and decides on ideas that can better the chapter overall in their scholastic requirements. These ideas are then presented to the chapter to be implemented into our chapter.
- L. Describe the chapter scholarship program. Please include in your description the following aspects of chapter programming:
1. Speakers or seminars related to scholarship - list the members/new

members who attended. **We did not have any speakers, this is due to the fact that we had a really messed up semester due to damage created by hurricane Rita.**

2. **Tutoring or assistance programs. We have study hours in affect for those brothers that are on academic probation and for brothers that want tutoring just looking for help in a subject. Brothers are given 2 study hours per tenth of a point they are below the 2.5 GPA of good standing in the fraternity. Our chapter also has a study night on Wednesday night, for when the whole chapter or those that can make it come to the house to help one another with subjects they might be having trouble in or have questions.**
 3. **Awards or incentives used (*provide examples if available*). We give two awards yearly at our Red Carination Ball to the initiated brother with the best overall GPA called the Scholar of the Year. The second award is given to the big brother/little brother with the best overall GPA and it is called the Big Brother/Little Brother Academic Achievement Award.**
 4. **Any other programming or support offered to chapters members and new members. We give grade discounts on our dues that are based on the previous semesters GPA. A 3.0 - 3.49 GPA receives a \$5 discount on your monthly dues. A 3.5 - 3.75 GPA receives a \$10 discount on your monthly dues. A 3.76 - 3.99 GPA receives a \$15 discount on your monthly dues. A 4.0 GPA receives a \$25 discount on your monthly dues. The Scholarship Chairman is also responsible for looking up possible scholarships and grants that are available to brothers and new members. Sample of one of these scholarships/grants is attached.**
- M. **Please include a printout or document from your Greek Advisor or Dean of Students, which includes documentation of the chapter GPA, all-male average, and all-fraternity average. If your college or university does not compute or release grade point statistics for Greek organizations, please submit a letter from the Dean of Students or Greek Advisor verifying that fact and also verifying that he or she is satisfied with the academic performance of the chapter (for initiates and new members). McNeese State University does not calculate the GPA of our chapter or the all-men's average. The all-fraternity average here at McNeese State University was a 2.48. See attached paper.**



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March 28, 2006

Theta Chi Fraternity
McNeese State University
Lake Charles, LA 70609

To Whom It May Concern:

The average GPA for fraternity students at McNeese State University for the Fall 2005 semester was 2.48.

The feelings of the chapter here at McNeese is that their pledges have knowledge of the history of the university have chosen and in addition, be provided information on McNeese's philosophy of scholarship and education. Information is also provided on scholarship opportunities for assistance with the funding of the educational process.

As it has historically been the case, Theta Chi Fraternity here at McNeese once again demonstrated the emphasis it places on education going hand in hand with social life. They know that for success, a perfect balance must be achieved.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Olivia Macon".

Olivia Macon
Assistant Dean of Student Services
McNeese State University

Name _____

Date _____

Mid-Semester Grade Report

Instructors,

The Theta Chi Fraternity Scholarship Committee is doing a mid-semester grade check. We are asking that you help us by providing a number or letter grade for our members in your course and as well as their attendance to your course. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

<u>Course</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Signature</u>
_____	_____	A-B-C-D-F	_____
_____	_____	A-B-C-D-F	_____
_____	_____	A-B-C-D-F	_____
_____	_____	A-B-C-D-F	_____
_____	_____	A-B-C-D-F	_____
_____	_____	A-B-C-D-F	_____
_____	_____	A-B-C-D-F	_____

Thank You,



Chad Anderson
Theta Chi Fraternity
Scholarship Chairman

OX-OP
Study Hours Report

Name: _____

Date: _____

Subject of Study: _____

Description of What Was Studied:

Place of Studying: _____

Hours Completed: _____

Hours Left for Week: _____

Signature: _____

Witness Signature: _____

**⊗ Pick-up and turn in reports into Scholarship Chair/Librarian Box
(Chad Anderson) on the Sunday before meetings (by 6:30 pm)**

ANN PALMER FOUNDATION

APPLICATION

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # () _____ Birth Date _____

Social Security # _____ Male Female

School you plan to attend _____

School Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

School Phone # _____ School Fax # _____

Admissions/Financial Aid Contact: _____

Phone # of contact person () _____

Have you applied? Yes No Have you been accepted? Yes No

Specific area of study: _____

Other grants/scholarships you have received: _____

Activities/Hobbies: _____

Community Activities: _____

Work Experience: _____

How did you hear about this grant? _____

STUDENTS PERSONAL STATEMENT

On a separate paper, please write a statement about your plans for the future and indicate how a scholarship would help you achieve your goals personally and financially. Sign and date the essay, attach it to this application and mail to the address below.
*Please note that registration by mail only.

ANN PALMER FOUNDATION
1400 Colorado St. #C
Boulder City, Nevada 89005

Signature _____ Date _____

<u>Name (Member)</u>	<u>Fall 2005 GPA</u>	<u>Cum. GPA</u>	<u>Classification</u>
Chad Anderson	4	3.016	Junior
Logan Bachelot	3.455	2.8	Senior
Chad Colthrop	3.357	2.7	Sophomore
Derek Fusilier	2.5	2.3	Sophomore
Stevie Gonzalez	3.714	2.15	Sophomore
David Hayes	2.8	2.15	Junior
John Hunt	2.44	2.24	Junior
Matt Juneau	3.57	2.94	Senior
Phillip Karam	3.455	1.94	Sophomore
James Kramer	2.2	3.069	Freshman
Jared Lognion	4	2.54	Junior
Cory Nelands	3.31	2.68	Senior
Patrick Pete	2.8	2.29	Senior
Adam Rogers	3.53	2.71	Junior
Ronnie Spell	2.67	3.23	Junior
Chris Fordham		2.1	Freshman
<u>Name (New Member)</u>			
Lance Hood	2	2	
Travis Fraser	3.071	3.071	Freshman
<u>Fall (Member) Cum.</u>			
	3.19	2.58	
<u>Fall (New Member) Cum.</u>			
	2.54	2.54	
<u>Fall Chapter Cum.</u>			
	2.865	2.56	

<u>Name (Member)</u>	<u>Spring 2005 GPA</u>	<u>Cum. GPA</u>	<u>Classification</u>
Brandon Alcock	2.5	1.9	Freshman
Chad Anderson	1.714	2.8	Junior
Logan Bachelot	3.2	2.8	Senior
Joe Conca	3.5	3.2	Graduate
Chad Colthrop	2.74	2.54	Sophomore
Derek Fusilier	2.5	2.4	Sophomore
Stevie Gonzalez	3	2	Sophomore
David Hayes	2	2.4	Junior
John Hunt	2.5	3	Senior
Matt Juneau	1.7	2	Sophomore
Phillip Karam	3	2.8	Freshman
James Kramer	3	3	Junior
Jared Lognion	2.5	2.6	Senior
Cory Nelands	2.8	2.5	Senior
Patrick Pete	3	2.4	Junior
Stephen Polk	3.5	3.2	Graduate
Adam Rogers	3.2	3.2	Junior
Ronnie Spell	2.5	2.9	Freshman
Chris Fordham	3.2	2.9	Senior
<u>Name (New Member)</u>			
Cole Firestone	0.3	1.6	Freshman
Craig Fraizer	0.7	2.4	Junior
<u>Spring (Member) Cum.</u>			
	2.74	2.66	
<u>Spring (New Member) Cum.</u>			
	0.5	2	
<u>Spring Chapter Cum.</u>			
	2.53	2.53	

Alpha Mu Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity
Iowa State University
Chapter Scholarship Program

With the understanding that academic success is the primary goal of undergraduate students, and that the success of our brothers can be improved through the assistance of the chapter;

The Brothers of Alpha Mu chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity hereby adopt and implement the following scholarship program following a vote of the chapter in January 2001.

If a brother of the chapter receives less than a 2.5 or 2.0 GPA during a semester, than the following stipulations shall apply:

	Below a 2.5 GPA	Below a 2.0 GPA
Required study nights per week (documented)	2	3
Visits during semester to Academic Advisor	1	1
Attendance at academic skills seminars during semester	1	1
Loss of chapter office?	No	Yes
Must submit mid-term grades to Scholarship Chair	No	Yes
May appeal sanctions after mid-term grades reported	Yes	No

If a brother of the chapter receives less than a 2.5 or 2.0 GPA for a second consecutive semester, than the following stipulations shall apply:

	Below a 2.5 GPA	Below a 2.0 GPA
Required study nights per week (documented)	3	4
Visits during semester to Academic Advisor	1	1
Attendance at academic skills seminars during semester	1	1
Loss of chapter office?	Yes	Yes
Must submit mid-term grades to Scholarship Chair	No	Yes
May appeal sanctions after mid-term grades reported	No	No

In order to be removed from the program, a brother must receive greater than a 2.5 GPA for a semester. In the event a brother receives above a 2.5 and then subsequently drops below a 2.5 or 2.0 in a later semester, than he shall start in the first stage of sanctions again.

If a brother of the chapter receives less than a 2.5 GPA for three consecutive semesters he shall be brought before the chapter for a suspension hearing. If the brother is suspended from the chapter, he shall not be eligible to be reinstated until he receives a semester GPA higher than 2.5. If he is not suspended, than the chapter shall determine a reasonable academic development program that the member must comply with.

“Alma Mater First, and Theta Chi for Alma Mater”