

Standards of Excellence 2024

Social fraternities and sororities are student organizations that have an extensive and pronounced history at the University of Central Florida. Social fraternities and sororities are values-based organizations founded on a variety of distinct, yet central guiding principles. Through the ideals of brotherhood/sisterhood, personal growth, scholarship, service and community, social fraternities and sororities promote the highest standards for individuals and communities to thrive in an academic setting.

The United States Department of Education has established guidelines and criteria necessary to be classified as a social fraternity or sorority (which includes a provision that allows an organization to operate as a single-sex organization). In keeping with the criteria established by the Department of Education, the University of Central Florida classifies social fraternities and sororities as organizations that:

- Do not limit membership to persons pursuing or having interest in a particular field of study, profession, or academic discipline.
- Do not serve as honorary societies for academic, leadership, or any other endeavor.
- Do not permit members to hold membership in other social fraternities and sororities.

In addition, these organizations must also:

- Have tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code
- Limit membership to currently enrolled students at the University of Central Florida.

Standards of Excellence Requirements and Achievements

The Standards of Excellence (SOE) is a set of guidelines and achievements that establishes minimum operating standards for social fraternities and sororities at the University of Central Florida as well as opportunities for demonstrating success above and beyond the minimum expectations.

Based on a new framework developed by Student Success and Wellbeing, BEAM: A Framework for Student Thriving, this program is designed to identify, incorporate, and encourage high ideals, principles, and standards that are critical to the success of each organization and its members. The four interconnected guiding domains of the framework are: Belonging, Engaging, Achieving, and Meaning.

In addition to complying with all applicable University rules, regulations, policies, and procedures, social fraternities and sororities at UCF are expected to maintain a level of Good Standing by achieving the necessary requirements contained in the Standards of Excellence.

Program Outcomes

Chapters who participate in the Standards of Excellence program will be able to:

- Clarify member experiences within an organization.
- Select the opportunities that appeal to the organization's members.
- Demonstrate outstanding behaviors that align with one or more of the domains in BEAM.
- Provide documents to FSL by the required deadline.
- Summarize expectations of being a member of the UCF Greek Community and SSWB.
- Demonstrate a commitment to UCF Greek Community and SSWB.

Benefits

- Provided support from FSL to National/International organization.
- Recognition and Eligibility for Greek Gala Awards.
- Listing in FSL Community Report with current standing.

Accountability

If an organization chooses to not participate in the outlined activities the following accountability measures may be put in place:

- Listing in FSL Community Report with current standing.
- Unable to provide support for chapters to National/International organizations.
- Working with Chapter Coach to develop Performance Improvement Plan.
- Limited events approved during following year.
- Late Presentations will be required to pay a fine (\$250 for membership under 30 and \$500 for membership above 30 as listed in FSL Handbook).

Program Details

- The areas of focus are Belonging, Engaging, Achieving, and Meaning based on BEAM: A Framework for Student Thriving developed by Student Success and Wellbeing (SSWB).
- Each area has required opportunities and bonus opportunities that contribute to the overall score for the organization. The total score is out of 1500 points. Each category of scoring is associated with a star rating (EX: 1100-1299 points = 4-Star Rating).
- Details for each opportunity, including detailed directions, applicable files, and submission instructions, can be found in the Standards of Excellence in Webcourses.
- Unless otherwise, GreekRoll will be used to determine percentages for each chapter.

	Standards of Excellence Scoring Rubric (2024)								
Status	Point Value	Star Rating							
Excellence Standing	1300-1500	5 Star Rating							
Above Good Standing	1100-1299	4 Star Rating							
Good Standing	900-1099	3 Star Rating							
Provisional Standing	700-899	2 Star Rating							
Under Achieving Standing	699 or below	1-Star Rating							

Rubric

Areas of Focus

Standards of Excellence based on BEAM: A Framework for Student Thriving (SSWB)										
Section One: Belonging	Section Two: Engaging	Section Three: Achieving	Section Four: Meaning							
Feeling connected to, accepted by, and valued within a group or community.	Actively participating and involved in learning and activities of interest.	Planning and striving to reach for and accomplish goals.	Identifying values and interests that lead to a sense of purpose, significance, and fulfillment.							
Social fraternities and sororities	Social fraternities and sororities	Social fraternities and sororities can provide opportunities for members	Social fraternities and sororities can provide opportunities for							
have the potential to provide	have the potential to provide		members of the community to							

belonging to members who join	more engaging opportunities to	of the community to achieve any	develop meaning within the
UCF Greek community. Creating	members who are a part of the	goals they are striving for.	organization.
a sense of belonging is one of	UCF Greek community.		
main benefits of joining a social			
fraternity and/or sorority.			

Section One: Belonging

To facilitate a successful curriculum surrounding belonging, organizations should develop experiences that focus on the following opportunities:

	Requi	rements (Total	Points: 280)			
Activity	Submission Instructions	Spring 2024 Points	Fall 2024 Points	Anytime during 2024 Points	Total Points	Additional Notes
All Presidents Meetings	Greek Council will provide attendance to FSL	40	40	NA	80	Each meeting is worth 10 points
GreekRoll Updates	Submission of picture in Webcourses	25	25	NA	50	By the indicated deadline
Chapter Officer Contact Form	Completion of Qualtrics Survey reviewed by FSL staff	10	10	NA	20	By the indicated deadline
1:1 meeting with chapter coach once per semester	FSL will collect information	55	55	NA	110	Before the semester ends
New Members complete FSL 101	FSL will collect information from New Member Webcourse	10	10	NA	20	By the indicated deadline If a chapter is not participating in a recruitment process, they will automatically receive the points for the semester

	Bonus Opportunities (Total Points 20)									
Activity	Submission Instructions	Spring 2024 Points	Fall 2024 Points	Anytime during 2024 Points	Total Points	Additional Notes				
Chapter hosts a program/workshop/speaker for Greek Community	Submission of photos as well as description of event/experience and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	NA	NA	20	20	Each additional experience can occur in either semester (Spring 2024 or Fall 2024). Each experience is worth 10 points with a maximum of 2 experiences.				

If certain criteria are not met a penalty may be applied:

Penalties Assessed (Total Points: -130)								
Activity	Submission Instructions	Spring 2024 Points	Fall 2024 Points	Anytime during 2024 Points	Total Points	Additional Notes		
No meeting with Chapter Coach	FSL will collect information	-55	-55	NA	-110			
New Members did not complete FSL 101 Webcourse	FSL will collect information from New Member Webcourse	-10	-10	NA	-20	By the indicated deadline		

Section Two: Engaging

To facilitate a successful curriculum surrounding engaging, organizations should develop experiences that focus on the following opportunities:

	Requi	rements (Total	Points: 120)			
Activity	Submission Instructions	Spring 2024 Points	Fall 2024 Points	Anytime during 2024 Points	Total Points	Additional Notes
One hosted community service project (Community Service coordinated by the chapter) and/or One Hosted Philanthropy project (Philanthropy coordinated by the chapter) with 50% of the chapter participating in the event (one per semester)	Submission of photos as well as description of event/experience and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	25	25	NA	50	
Register with OSI to become a Registered Student Organization	Submission of picture in Webcourses. FSL staff follow up with OSI office	NA	NA	30	30	By the indicated deadline (This is an annual requirement. If authorized officers change between semesters, it is required that the chapter re-registers to be incompliance with OSI.)
Spring into the Season	FSL will get attendance from Greek Council	10	NA	NA	10	
TOTOGS	FSL will get attendance from Greek Council	NA	10	NA	10	
Emerging Leadership Conference	FSL will collect information	NA	20	NA	20	

	Bonus Op	oportunities (To	otal Points 16	50)		
Activity	Submission Instructions	Spring 2024 Points	Fall 2024 Points	Anytime during 2024 Points	Total Points	Additional Notes
Chapter collaborates with at least one other registered Greek organization outside of their council for program/workshop/service or philanthropy/alcohol free social	Submission of photos as well as description of event/experience and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	NA	NA	20	20	Each additional participation can occur in either semester (Spring 2024 or Fall 2024). Each collaboration is worth 5 points with a maximum of 4 additional participations.
Majority of chapter (60% or more) participates in university hosted all campus event. (e.g., Knighthon, Homecoming Events, Knights Day of Service, Juneteenth Celebration, Opening Knight, etc.)	Submission of photos as well as description of event/experience and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	NA	NA	30	30	Each additional participation can occur in either semester (Spring 2024 or Fall 2024). Each collaboration is worth 10 points with a maximum of 3 additional participations.
Chapter collaborates with a non- Greek RSO to plan a program/workshop/service event	Submission of photos as well as description of event/experience and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	NA	NA	20	20	Each additional participation can occur in either semester (Spring 2024 or Fall 2024). Each collaboration is worth 10 points

						with a maximum of 2 additional participations.
Each individual member of a chapter completes 10 individual service hours	FSL will collect Information should be listed in Packet 2 in Webcourses	10	10	NA	20	
Chapter has the most community service hours out of all other chapters that makeup that council	FSL will collect information determined by information completed in Packet 2 in Webcourses	10	10	NA	20	Only one chapter will receive these bonus points each semester.
Chapter host a seminar, guest speaker, and/or presentation with any of the following university departments: SCAI, CAPS, Civil Discourse and Engagement, Student Legal Services, Green Dot Training, QPR Training, and/or UCF Ginsberg Center for Inclusion and Community Engagement, etc.	Submission of photos as well as description of event/experience and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	10	10	NA	20	
FSL Lunch and Learns	FSL will collect information	NA	NA	30	30	10 points per programming attended with a maximum of 3 programming opportunities.

Section Three: Achieving

To facilitate a successful curriculum surrounding achieving, organizations should develop experiences that focus on the following opportunities:

	Requirements (Total Points: 500)							
Activity	Submission Instructions	Spring 2024 Points	Fall 2024 Points	Anytime during 2024 Points	Total Points	Additional Notes		
Above 2.5 Chapter GPA	FSL will collect information	50	50	NA	100			
Chapter Academic Plan	Submission of plan that details how chapter provides support to members academically. Include if there is a plan for members who are below a certain GPA and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	10	10	NA	20			
Safe Event and Sober Monitor Training	FSL will collect information	15	15	NA	30	FSL will set the requirements for each semester		
Hazing Modules in Officer Webcourse	FSL will collect information determined by information completed in Officer Webcourses	20	20	NA	40			
Hazing Modules in New Member Webcourse	FSL will collect information determined by information completed in New Member Webcourses	10	10	NA	20	By the indicated deadline If a chapter is not participating in a recruitment process, they will automatically receive		

						the points for the semester
ACT Harm Reduction Training	FSL will collect information	10	10	NA	20	FSL will set the requirements for each semester
Have a current Certificate of Insurance (COI) on file with FSL and UCF Risk Management. As per UCF Regulation 4.0292 Potentially Hazardous Events, Section 6 Insurance Requirements.	FSL will collect information from Officer Webcourse	NA	NA	10	10	Information should be gathered from National/International organization (This is an annual requirement)
Packet 1	FSL will collect information determined by information completed in Officer Webcourses	20	20	NA	40	By the indicated deadline
Packet 2	FSL will collect information determined by information completed in Officer Webcourses	20	20	NA	40	By the indicated deadline
New Member Paperwork by deadline	FSL will collect information determined by information completed in Officer Webcourses	10	10	NA	20	By the indicated deadline If a chapter is not participating in a recruitment process, they will automatically receive the points for the semester

FSL Workshop hosted by WHPS	FSL will collect	10	10	NA	20	FSL will set the
	information					requirements for each
						semester
FSL Workshop hosted by SARC	FSL will collect	10	10	NA	20	FSL will set the
	information					requirements for each
						semester
Greek Officer Training	FSL will collect	50	50	NA	100	FSL will set the
	information					requirements for each
						semester
Above 2.5 NM GPA	FSL will collect	10	10	NA	20	By the indicated
	information					deadline
						If a chapter is not
						participating in a
						recruitment process,
						they will
						automatically receive
						the points for the
						semester

Bonus Opportunities (Total Points 200)							
Activity	Submission Instructions	Spring 2024	Fall 2024	Anytime during	Total	Additional Notes	
		Points	Points	2024 Points	Points		
Greek Leadership Course	FSL will collect information	NA	NA	20	20	Max of 2 members per organization. Rho Gammas do not count. Must pass with a B or higher	
Chapter receives an award from a UCF department, college, or all campus event (e.g., RSO Impact award, Knightthon placement,	Submission of picture in Webcourses and description of award and how it was earned.	NA	NA	20	20	Only 1 award will be counted for points.	

etc.) or National organization award.						
Chapter is above 3.0 Chapter GPA	FSL will collect information	15	15	NA	30	
Chapter is above All Greek Avg	FSL will collect information	10	10	NA	20	
Entire chapter has received Safe Event and Sober Monitor Training	FSL will collect information	15	15	NA	30	
Greek Gala Award	FSL will collect information	NA	NA	20	20	Only 1 award will be counted for points.
Chapter has representation and serve full term in a Greek leadership position (Greek Council, Panhellenic Council, IFC Council, DGC Council, NPHC Council)	Submission of name, chapter, and position in Webcourses	NA	NA	30	30	10 points per chapter member with a max of 3-chapter members. Rho Gammas do not count
Chapter has representation and serves full term for a leadership position outside FSL (SG, RSO Leadership, OSI)	Submission of name, chapter, and position in Webcourses	NA	NA	15	15	Chapter awarded for one representative
Presents and reviews chapter budget to more than 60% of the organization	Submission of photos as well as description of event/experience and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	NA	NA	10	10	

If certain criteria are not met a penalty may be applied:

Penalties Assessed (Total Points: -210)						
Activity Submission Instructions Spring 2024 Fall 2024 Anytime during Total Additional Note						
		Points	Points	2024 Points	Points	
Conduct Violations	FSL will collect	NA	NA	-50	-50	Points will be assessed
	information					if chapter is found In

						Violation for any charges
Did not complete officer hazing modules	FSL will collect information from Officer Webcourse	-20	-20	NA	-40	
Did not complete new member hazing modules	FSL will collect information from Officer Webcourse	-10	-10	NA	-20	Points will not be assessed if there were no new members for that semester
Did not attend FSL Officer Training	FSL will collect information	-50	-50	NA	-100	

Section Four: Meaning

To facilitate a successful curriculum surrounding meaning, organizations should develop experiences that focus on the following opportunities:

	Requirements (Total Points: 190)							
Activity	Submission Instructions	Spring 2024 Points	Fall 2024 Points	Anytime during 2024 Points	Total Points	Additional Notes		
Host an alumni event	Submission of photos as well as description of event/experience and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	NA	NA	10	10			
Host a brotherhood/sisterhood event	Submission of photos as well as description of event/experience and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	10	10	NA	20			
FSL UTalk	FSL will collect information	10	10	NA	20			
Chapter Year Recap Presentation	Submission of presentation in Webcourses	NA	NA	120	140	By the indicated deadline which will be		

			end of Fall 2024
			semester

	Bonus Opportunities (Total Points 30)						
Activity	Submission Instructions	Spring 2024 Points	Fall 2024 Points	Anytime during 2024 Points	Total Points	Additional Notes	
Sends attendees to regional/state/national leadership training	Submission of photos as well as description of event/experience and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	NA	NA	10	10		
Newsletter for alumni	Submission of newsletter as well as description of event/experience and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	NA	NA	10	10		
Host an event for seniors/graduates	Submission of photos as well as description of event/experience and how it relates to chapter goals in Webcourses	NA	NA	10	10		

If certain criteria are not met a penalty may be applied:

Penalties Assessed (Total Points: -140)							
Activity Submission Instructions Spring 2024 Fall 2024 Anytime during Total Additional No							
		Points	Points	2024 Points	Points		
Chapter Year Recap Presentation	Submission of	NA	NA	-120	-140	Points will be assessed	
	presentation in					if chapter does not	
	Webcourses					submit a presentation	