Fraternity and Sorority Expectations of Recognition

The University of California, Los Angeles believes that fraternities and sororities can contribute significantly and positively to the quality of the undergraduate experience by providing opportunities for the development of leadership skills, civic involvement, intellectual growth and the bond of impactful lifelong relationships. The University recognizes and affiliates itself with fraternities and sororities through the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life. The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life is responsible for creating and implementing those policies necessary for the growth and development of the fraternal community on campus.

It is the goal of the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life to create and hold clear expectations of recognized fraternities and sororities on campus. Therefore, this Expectations of Recognition document has been created and distributed to communicate those minimum standards of all social fraternities and sororities at UCLA. These expectations are meant to be reviewed and reaffirmed by the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life and each undergraduate chapter every calendar year. When all expectations are upheld, the organization is to be fully recognized as in good standing. When a chapter fails to meet the expectations outlined in this document, it is subject to disciplinary action ranging from educational sanctions to removal of recognition.

COVID-19 Modifications: Given the current state of emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, these expectations have been adjusted to reflect the need for additional information for how the chapter is responding to campus, county, and state guidelines and restrictions. The Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life will coordinate with UCLA emergency and health response services to assist the chapter in reviewing their policies and procedures to be aligned with gathering and communal living requirements. Due to the modifications needed to respond to the pandemic, OFSL will require that all chapters resubmit this signed document by September 15, 2020.

Every calendar year each chapter must:

A. Place a copy of their inter/national and/or chapter New Member Education program or member intake process on file with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life before starting any recruitment/rush/intake activities or processes.
   a. Chapters much include how their program will take place within any restrictive gathering guidelines whether that is fully virtual or an allowable hybrid format and their plan for compliance with the State Higher Education Guidance.
   b. If chapters cannot initiate or cross their members virtually, chapters must notate how they will document that the new member/aspirant education period has concluded and that they are now considered active members.
B. Place a copy of their inter/national and/or chapter Risk Management Policy on file with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life before the first social function of the academic year.
   a. Chapters much include how their risk management policies have changed to adapt to any restrictive gathering guidelines whether that is fully virtual or an allowable hybrid format. This must include their policies for a chapter facility, if applicable, that is aligned with the most restrictive guidelines and specifically address their plan for compliance with the State Higher Education Guidance.
C. Have their chapter president attend all chapter president’s meetings and the yearly community leadership retreat.
   a. Chapters may send an alternate with prior approval from their staff advisor. Requests for alternate attendance should come no less than 48 hours before the meeting. Emergency circumstances will of course be considered.
D. Be in compliance with the University of California’s Office of the President (UCOP) Title IX training and education requirements.
E. Sign and submit the Expectations of Recognition document by the end of Week Two of Winter Quarter unless a change has been made to this document and then the chapter will be required to resign the document.
   a. Due to the modifications needed to respond to the pandemic, chapters must resubmit this signed document by September 15, 2020.
Every Quarter each chapter must:

F. Update chapter leadership and alumni advisor information.
G. Submit updated signatory information.
H. Provide timely roster updates.
I. Submit a list of live-in members and residents/boarders, if the chapter has a designated chapter facility.
   a. *Chapters must provide regular updates weeks 3, 6, and 9 of the quarter with any changes to their live-in list.*
J. Attend their quarterly meeting with their staff advisor.
K. Submit recruitment/intake paperwork to their staff advisor the week prior to their recruitment/intake period begins.
   a. *Chapters much include how their program will take place within any restrictive gathering guidelines whether that is fully virtual or an allowable hybrid format and provide their plan for compliance with the State Higher Education Guidance.*
L. Remain in compliance with any University and/or Governing Council conduct sanctions.

I understand that by signing this document, I am communicating my understanding of the above listed expectations for recognition. I also understand that by signing this document I agree to uphold the above expectations on behalf of the UCLA chapter of __________________________. If my chapter fails to meet these expectations, I understand that we are subject to disciplinary action, as outlined by this document.

Printed Name: _______________________ Signature: ___________________________ Date: ______________________