

University of West Alabama Greek Council Constitution

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Article I. Name

- A. This organization shall be known as the Greek Council of The University of West Alabama.

Article II. Purpose

- A. To promote the academic excellence of each fraternity and sorority and their members at The University of West Alabama.
- B. To serve as a liaison between the Greek community and the administration of The University of West Alabama.
- C. To promote social standards for all the members of the Greek Council.
- D. To promote cooperation and establish positive relations between the members of the Greek Council.
- E. To publicize and educate the student body, faculty, and administration of the university about Greek organizations and events involving Greek organizations.

Article III. Membership

- A. The Greek Council shall consist of the following fraternities and sororities:
 - a. IFC - Delta Chi, Sigma Pi
 - b. Panhellenic - Alpha Sigma Alpha, Alpha Sigma Tau, & Phi Mu
 - c. NPHC - Alpha Kappa Alpha, Alpha Phi Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Kappa Alpha Psi, Zeta Phi Beta, Phi Beta Sigma, Omega Psi Phi, & Sigma Gamma Rho.
- B. In order to gain recognition of the Greek Council, a Greek organization must first gain recognition from its respective national governing council at The University of West Alabama. This includes the North American Interfraternity Conference, the National Panhellenic Council, or the National Pan-Hellenic Council.
- C. For an organization to remain in good standing with the Greek Council it must meet the following criteria:
 - a. Each organization must maintain a 2.25 GPA each semester,
 - i. if an organization falls below a 2.25 GPA, that organization will be placed on social probation,
 - ii. an organization that fails to meet the 2.25 GPA requirement for two consecutive semesters will lose all social privileges until the organization reaches a 2.25 GPA

- b. Each organization must maintain 5 active members,
 - c. Each organization must submit a new member roster to the Office of Student Life within one week of an intake event.
 - d. Each organization must submit a roster to the Office of Student Life by the second week of classes of each semester.
- D. If an organization falls below 5 active members for two consecutive semesters, the organization will be subject to review by the Executive Council to determine what if any action should be taken.

Article IV. Elections

- A. The election process of Greek Council shall be as follows:
- a. Elections will be held during spring semester every year by popular vote.
 - i. Each organization shall nominate one member for election,
 - ii. Greek Council shall be comprised of the three highest vote earners from each council, and the next three highest vote earners.

Article V. Meetings

- A. Regular meetings shall take place at least once a month and will be set by the Greek Council.
- B. Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Greek Council or Advisor, or upon the request of any Greek Council member; if the circumstance is deemed appropriate by either the Greek Council or the Office of Student Life.
- C. The following regulations shall apply to voting:
- a. A majority of voting members will constitute a quorum.
 - b. In all questions put before the Greek Council each member shall have one vote.
 - c. Except as where stipulated, a simple majority shall determine the action of the Greek Council.
 - d. Voting shall be by raise of hands.

Article VI. Disciplinary Action

- A. If an organization is subjected to disciplinary action they must be notified in writing of the disciplinary action and why they are being subjected to it.

Article VII. Greek Council Events

- A. All organizations are required to take part in all phases of the Homer Award process, this includes the application and interviews.
 - a. Any group that does not complete these processes will go before the Greek Council with the possibility of being placed on social probation for the next semester.
- B. All groups are required to attend all events sponsored by the Greek Council. If 50% of an organization does not attend, the organization will be fined.
 - a. If extenuating circumstances exist, the organization may appeal the charge to the Greek Council.

Article VIII. Hazing

- A. There will be a no tolerance policy against hazing regarding any Greek Organization. The Greek Council will follow the State of Alabama Code Regarding Hazing, which can be found in the Fraternity and Sorority Handbook.

Article IX. Amendments

- A. This Constitution may be amended during a regular business meeting by a vote of 2/3 of the voting membership of the Greek Council.
- B. Amendments must be submitted at least one week prior to a regular business meeting to be eligible for vote during that meeting.
- C. The amendment(s) will then be presented to the Greek Council by the advisor during his/her report and voted on during New Business.