Pillars Pointers

Clarifying information to help you navigate the Pillars of Excellence

All chapters must meet the minimum requirements + the one Pillar column in order to be considered in good standing with the university.

Submitting Pillars

- Every chapter president will receive the exact Excel template needed to submit their Pillars of Excellence at the end of the year. This template contains the exact information needed for each of the categories. Use this template throughout the year to stay up to date and ensure you are accurately tracking all the necessary information.
- Pillars must be submitted by the chapter president.

Virtual Programming

- Acknowledging that Covid-19 is an ongoing challenge, we will allow chapters to have up to **three** virtual programs count toward their Pillars requirements. Anything over three virtual programs will not count. **No exceptions.**

Greek 101

- Greek 101 is a seminar-based program. There are three sessions each semester, one per month. The duration of each session is roughly an hour.
- **It is required that all new members attend the <u>first three sessions</u> following their invitation to membership.**
    - Example:
        - PAN & IFC – Members obtained through Fall formal recruitment must attend the September, October, and November sessions.
        - NPHC – If a chapter's new member presentation is at the end of October, they must attend the November, February, and March sessions.
- **TIP:** Greek 101 is meant to allow chapters to "kill two birds with one stone". For example, it is required that all chapters have 100% of their members attend a hazing prevention workshop each year. If 100% of your chapter attends the hazing prevention Greek 101 session, you will have completed your Greek 101 requirement *and* your hazing prevention workshop requirement.
    - Here are the subjects we are covering for 2022
        - February - Drug & Alcohol Education
            - *Can count as your mandatory drug & alcohol education workshop/training*
        - March – Split session
            - Sororities: Women's Empowerment
            - Fraternities: Men: A work in Progress

- April – Sexual Assault Awareness/Prevention
  - *Can count as your mandatory Title IX/Bystander Intervention workshop/training*
- September – Hazing Prevention
  - *Can count as your mandatory hazing prevention workshop/training*
- October – Mental Health & Wellness
  - *Can count as your mandatory mental health & wellness workshop/training*
- November – Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

Volunteer/Service Hours

- Ensure you are tracking ALL service hours through Volunteer Odyssey.
- Each chapter has its own Volunteer Odyssey page. It is up to the chapter to keep the roster up to date to ensure accurate documentation for all members.
- Chapters have the ability to create their own service events through the platform in addition to having access to hundreds of other service opportunities both on campus and in the local community.
- **Hours not documented through Volunteer Odyssey will not be accepted for Pillars of Excellence. No exceptions.**

Campus Resources for Partnership

- Consider partnering with the following offices/departments
  - Campus Safety
  - Career Services
  - Counseling Center
  - Disability Resources for Students
  - Educational Support Program
  - Health Center
  - Multicultural Affairs
  - Center for Service Learning & Volunteerism
  - Student Leadership and Involvement

Leadership Development

- Leadership development can look like a lot of things. Here are some great examples and ideas to reach your leadership development program goal--
  - Any programs related to the SLPC's
  - L.E.A.D. Conference
  - Leader to Leader lecture series
  - SLI Enneagram Series (Spring 2022)

- o Workshops with Career services
- o Resume workshops
- o Mock Interviews
- o Internal chapter executive officer retreats/transition

"Double Dipping"

- With strategic planning, sometimes just one of your events can actually count as two Pillars' fulfillments. For example, if you partner with another RSO to do a leadership training, that counts as one of your RSO collaborations *and* your leadership development program requirement if you hit the necessary attendance percentage. This idea is applicable throughout the Pillars rubric.