

## NYU Inter Greek Council

### I. RECOGNITION

#### A. Development of New Greek Organizations

To insure that all new potential organizations possess the ability and have the qualities necessary to succeed in the Greek Community, the following Standards have been established.

Any interest group that wants to be considered for pre-active status must submit a packet within the first six week of the semester. The Recognition Committee will not hear any packets from new interest groups following six weeks into the beginning of each semester. Any packets that are received past that date will be heard at the beginning of the following semester. The six week cutoff date will be set by the Inter-Greek Council Advisor at the beginning of each semester.

#### B. The Recognition Committee

1. Consists of one representative from a male organization (national and local – if applicable), a female organization (national and local – if applicable), a representative from IFC, PHC, and MGC, and the IGC Vice President, and a Chapter Advisor to be picked by the IGC Executive Board. The Inter-Greek Council Advisor shall also be a member of the Committee.
  - a. The representatives from IFC, MGC, and PHC will be chosen by their respective councils as the councils see fit.
  - b. The IGC Vice President and Greek Coordinator will choose the remaining representatives after receiving one application from every Greek organization. The application will consist of questions to determine each applicant's qualifications to be a part of the Committee.
2. Will be convened biweekly for the duration of the academic year.
3. Will be provided with all pertinent information to make an intelligent informed decision (i.e. numbers within the Greek community, campus demographics, etc.).
4. After voting, the Recognition Committee presents a written recommendation to the petitioning organization council and then the IGC, including valid reasons for recommending or not recommending the petitioning group for pre-active status.
  - a. The committee must be prepared to present its recommendation to the governing council at a regularly scheduled meeting within 30 days of receiving the completed petition for recognition. The 30 days does not go into effect until the packet is deemed complete by the Committee.
  - b. A representative of the petitioning organization must be present at the meeting at which the recommendation made by the Recognition Committee is presented.
  - c. The petitioning organization must be informed by the Recognition Committee of recommendation decision within 24 hours of said decision being made.
  - d. The written materials from each petitioning group must be available for review by all IGC members until the next regularly scheduled IGC meeting.
5. The governing council will evaluate the set forth materials by means of a vote at the next scheduled IGC meeting. A 2/3 majority vote of all IGC representatives of active organizations of the IGC is required to grant pre-active, "colony", status to any petitioning organization.

#### C. Recognition Procedures

The intent of the recognition procedures is to facilitate the installation of New Greek Organizations.

1. If 4 or more students are interested in forming a Greek organization
  - a. A submitted request form will be turned into the Office of Student Activities, which will be forwarded to the Recognition Committee, in order to begin the recognition process.
  - b. After reviewing said form, Recognition Committee will refer the petitioning group to their appropriate governing council.
  - c. The governing council will then determine, within one month of receiving the request, if they would like to open up expansion to the petitioning group.
  - d. If governing council allows for expansion, the start of the one-year time constraint on the petitioning group will begin to gather necessary materials as described in I.C.2, as well as the steps described in I.C.3-I.C.6.

Recognition Committee begins assisting petitioning group.

2. The following must be submitted to the Inter-Greek Council Advisor within said time restraint:
  - a. A letter of petition explaining the purpose and intent of the organization and interest in affiliation with the IGC: a mission statement outlining the groups goals, outstanding characteristics, and potential benefits to the campus community.
  - b. A list, in alphabetical order, of each individual's name, phone number, year in school, major, and any leadership positions held at New York University. All members must meet the eligibility requirements outlined in the Student Handbook.
  - c. Proof of current \$ 1,000,000 liability insurance.
  - d. For a National group, an Official Letter of Intent on letterhead from the Organizational Headquarters stating that the National Headquarters has knowledge of the interest group and outlining the support the National Headquarters will give the group, along with the National Headquarters' requirements for chartering.
  - e. Copies of the following National and/or local policies, procedures, and programs:
    - i. New Member Program
    - ii. Hazing Policy
    - iii. Membership Development Program
    - iv. Rush/Recruitment Program
    - v. Financial Policies
    - vi. Public Relations Leadership Development
    - vii. Scholarship
    - viii. Judicial
    - ix. Community Service and Philanthropy
    - x. Code of Conduct
    - xi. Career Counseling/Networking
    - xii. Other Programming Resources

After meeting all of these requirements, the Inter-Greek Council Advisor will transfer the completed packet to the Recognition Committee for appraisal.

3. The petitioning group and the Recognition Committee will meet to review the expansion packet and address any outlying questions or concerns the Recognition Committee may have in order to prepare the petitioning group for their presentation(s).
4. The petitioning group may invite their national director of expansion speak on behalf of the National Headquarters for the petitioning group and answer pertinent questions the Recognition Committee may have for the National Headquarters. This can be waived by the petitioning group or the Recognition Committee.
5. The petitioning group and the Recognition Committee will conduct an open forum, moderated by the IGC Vice President, in which any interested members of NYU Greek Organizations can pose questions to both the petitioning group and the Recognition Committee.
6. The petitioning group will make a presentation to their respective council (IFC, MGC, PHC), at which time the Recognition Committee will present their recommendation for approval.
7. The council will vote, based on their voting procedures, at the following scheduled meeting as to their wishes for the pre-active status of the petitioning group.
  - a. If the governing council agrees to grant the petitioning group pre-active status, the petitioning group will present to members of the IGC at the following scheduled meeting, at which time the Recognition Committee and governing council will also present their respective recommendations.
    - i. The IGC will vote to affirm the pre-active status of the petitioning group by means of a 2/3 majority of present voting organizations required to pass.
  - b. If the governing council does not agree to grant the petitioning group pre-active status, it is up to the governing council to determine the time period for reconsideration.
  - c. The petitioning group has up to 3 chances for reconsideration within five years of initial completed packet submission.
    - i. The council's president will be responsible for relaying the results of the petition to the IGC for discussion.
8. This new organization has a maximum of two years to complete their national requirements and to become recognized as a Chapter of that New Organization. This time period can be extended by a 2/3 majority vote by the IGC, or if the National Organization requires a longer colonization period.

#### Change in Recognition

Any affiliation change within the organization must go through the recognition procedures.

#### D. Petitioning groups granted pre-active status

1. Must successfully complete a pre-active period within two academic years but no less than one semester, commencing at the date of the acceptance vote by IGC.
2. During this time, if any university or IGC policy is violated, or any requirement is not fulfilled, pre-active status can be revoked through this process:

- a. A charge must be filed in writing to the IGC Vice President
  - b. An investigation will be conducted by the Inter-Greek Council Advisor and the IGC Vice President
  - c. All evidence shall be presented to the IGC Executive Board to render a decision.
  - d. A group found in violation may have their pre-active status revoked, or may be given any other sanctions deemed fit, by a 2/3 vote by the Executive Board.
    - i. The petitioning organization must wait at least one year before re-applying for pre-active status.
3. The organization may participate in Recruitment, and may conduct a New Member Education Process with permission from the Inter-Greek Council Advisor in consultation with the Executive Board of the governing council, as well as supervision from National Headquarters.
  4. The organization may add qualified members to their original petitioning roster up until six weeks before the IGC meeting at which voting on full recognition is scheduled.
  5. The pre-active organization must complete all requirements established for active organizations as established in this document.
  6. The organization will not have full voting rights at IGC meetings until active recognition is granted.
  7. The organization must submit a constitution with by-laws to Office of Student Activities within three months of an academic semester of the acceptance vote by IGC for pre-active status.
- E. Petitioning groups not granted pre-active status
1. Must cease all identification with New York University, as well as all activities, including on-campus recruitment (including interest sessions, rush or new member orientation activities) and social functions.
  2. Are eligible to re-apply for pre-active status after one academic year in accordance with the procedures established in this document.
  3. Encouraged to meet with the Inter-Greek Council Advisor to discuss future plans/options.
  4. Any violation(s) of university policy by an unrecognized group will jeopardize the opportunity for recognition from the IGC in the future.
- F. Full Recognition - Granting of Active Status
1. A completed application for active status must be submitted by the pre-active status organization to the IGC Vice President immediately following the completion of the pre-active period.
  2. The organization must have completed its national requirements for a charter before it can petition IGC for Full Recognition.
  3. The Recognition Committee will review the application and make a recommendation to the IGC within 14 days of receiving the application.
  4. The governing council will receive the same recommendation and vote, within one month of receiving recommendation, in order to grant the organization active status.
    - a. If the governing council does not agree to grant the petitioning pre-active organization active status, it is up to the governing council to determine the time period for reconsideration.

5. The IGC will consider the recommendation and vote on the granting of active status at the next scheduled IGC meeting following governing council approval. A 2/3 vote of all present voting organizations in favor of recognition is required to grant active status.
6. Upon granting of active status, the IGC president will confer full recognition with this statement:

WE, the members of the IGC in regular session do hereby confer upon (name of organization) the status of active membership in the IGC of New York University with all the rights and privileges associated therewith effective on (date of meeting).

#### G. Pre-active organizations not granted active status by IGC

1. If the vote for active status fails to pass at IGC, IGC Vice President can call another active-status vote to question after a minimum of one calendar year.
2. If vote fails again after one calendar year then pre-active organization automatically loses pre-active recognition from the IGC and University.

#### H. Repopulating Chapters

1. Chapters choosing to repopulate in good standing with the university must submit their packet to the Inter-Greek Council Advisor.
2. The Advisor will then review said packet with the Recognition Committee before giving a joint recommendation to the appropriate governing council.
  - a. The recommendation must be received by the governing council within 14 days of the Advisor receiving the packet from the repopulating chapter.
3. The governing council will then work in conjunction with the National Headquarters of the repopulating organization to determine how the repopulation process will transpire.

#### I. Dormant Chapters

1. Must have at least 1 initiated undergraduate member interested in maintaining his/her chapter's active status.
2. Within the Greek Community, dormant chapters will operate on the same level as a chapter in bad standing.
3. Chapters that become dormant at NYU for reasons other than NYU, FSL, or IGC policy violations will not be required to undergo the entire recognition process.
4. Such chapters will have one semester to submit the materials specified in Sections I.C.2.a., I.C.2.b., I.C.2.c., I.C.2.d., I.C.2.e.iii., and I.C.2.e.iv. to the Recognition Committee for review.
5. The Recognition Committee will give a recommendation to the appropriate governing council and the IGC as to whether the dormant chapter should be re-granted full chapter status.