Ω The Order of Omega Ω  
pride ly presents  
The 13th Annual Duke University  
Greek Awards Ceremony  

Chapter Awards Application Form  

Explanation: The Greek Awards Ceremony is an effort to recognize those Greek chapters and their members who are making a positive impact in the Greek, University, and outside communities as leaders, scholars, and innovators. It is essential for the health and longevity of Greek Life at Duke that we, as the Greek community, applaud the efforts of those who make Fraternity and Sorority Life as rewarding as possible.  

Award Criteria & Eligibility: This form includes applications for the nine (9) chapter awards. Each chapter is encouraged to apply for as many awards as it finds itself eligible. The quantity of applications completed by each chapter will, in no way, help or hurt the chapter’s chances of winning. Please be sure to tailor each application to the award in question, as the same judges will be reviewing all of the applications.  

Chapter Award Categories  

• Chapter of the Year  
• Most Improved Chapter  
• Outstanding Fraternal Values  
• Outstanding Greek Collaboration  
• Outstanding Member Education  
• Outstanding Philanthropy Event  
• Outstanding Programming  
• Outstanding Risk Management  
• Outstanding Service  

This year, the Order of Omega may conduct interviews of those who nominate chapters for awards, to ensure the legitimacy and integrity of each application. Please be prepared for meet for 5-10 minutes between March 28-April 1, 2016 to discuss your nominee.
Please email a PDF version of your completed application to dukegreekawards16@gmail.com. All applications must be submitted by Wednesday, March 23, 2016 at 5:00pm.

Please label the attachment with the appropriate format: Chapter_Award_NomineeChapterName_2016.

Example: Chapter_Award_Alpha_Beta_Gamma_2016

Direct all questions to Order of Omega Advisor, Alison McLaughlin at alison.mclaughlin@duke.edu, or the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life at (919) 684-9401.

General Information

Chapter Name:
Contact Person:
Position in Chapter:
Campus Address:
Email Address:

Please list those awards that your chapter is applying for:

I hereby attest that all information on this application is true to the best of my knowledge.

Initials:

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Chapter of the Year

Purpose: To recognize the chapter who has made the most significant contribution to the Greek and University communities through involvement, service, and exemplary behavior. This chapter represents the model of a Greek organization.

Award Eligibility:

- Chapter must be in good standing with the University and its respective Greek council.
- Chapter must be chartered and in good standing with its (inter)national organization. Colonies receiving their charter before the end of the end of academic year are considered eligible.
- Chapter must be a member of IFC, MGC, NPHC, or Panhellenic.
- If the chapter has faced disciplinary action or sanctions by the Greek Conduct Board, the University, or the (inter)national organization within the academic year, please include a brief statement on how the predicament requiring judicial action was overcome by the chapter in a positive way.

Award Criteria:

1. Free of disciplinary action or sanctions by the Greek Conduct Board, the University, and respective organization
2. Overall chapter GPA meets or exceeds council average
3. Good financial management, timely submission of reports to IFC, MGC, NPHC, or Panhellenic, and involvement of chapter delegate at council meetings
4. Chapter involvement with the University or Durham communities
5. Involvement in Greek activities (i.e. Greek-wide events, other chapters’ service events, etc.), include cross-chapter and cross- council collaboration
6. Active relationship with faculty, alumni, advisors, and (inter)national organization

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7. Participation in campus programming including, but not limited to intramurals, speakers, or other university-sponsored events.

8. Demonstrated efforts towards risk management and education: Chapter provides a safe environment for its members and keeps members accountable to greater Greek community standards.

Please compose a statement demonstrating how your chapter best fits the purpose stated above. Keep in mind that your chapter need not meet all aspects of the outlined criteria and your statement should expound upon those criteria that you do meet (maximum of 3 pages or 9600 characters).
Most Improved Chapter

**Purpose**: To recognize the chapter who strove to improve its overall condition through changes in programming, increased collaboration, the implementation of new ideas, improved efficiency, and the development of innovative educational programs.

**Award Eligibility**:

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- Chapter must be a member of IFC, MGC, NPHC, or Panhellenic.
- If the chapter has faced disciplinary action or sanctions by the Greek Conduct Board, the University, or the (inter)national organization within the academic year, please include a brief statement on how the predicament requiring judicial action was overcome by the chapter in a positive way.

Please compose a statement demonstrating the chapter’s efforts to improve itself over the course of the past year. This statement should specifically address the problems the chapter faced, the measures taken to remedy those issues, and the results thus far. Keep in mind this statement should demonstrate the chapter’s current efforts as well as its intentions for future improvements (maximum of 2 pages or 6400 characters).

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Outstanding Greek Collaboration

**Purpose:** To recognize the chapter that has demonstrated a concerted effort to interact with a wide range of other Greek organizations on campus.

**Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must be in good standing with the University and its respective Greek council.
- Chapter must be chartered and in good standing with its (inter)national organization. Colonies receiving their charter before the end of the end of academic year are considered eligible.
- Chapter must be a member of IFC, MGC, NPHC, or Panhellenic.

Please compose a statement demonstrating how the chapter has interacted with a wide variety of Greek organizations. Keep in mind these interactions should go beyond social functions with other organizations. The statement could include multiple types of functions including social functions, philanthropic events, scholarship, education, and risk management programming (maximum of 1 page or 3200 characters).
Outstanding Member Education

**Purpose:** To recognize a chapter that has shown an outstanding commitment to educating its members on a wide variety of salient issues.

**Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must be in good standing with the University and its respective Greek council.
- Chapter must be chartered and in good standing with its (inter)national organization. Colonies receiving their charter before the end of the end of academic year are considered eligible.
- Chapter must be a member of IFC, MGC, NPHC, or Panhellenic.

Please compose a statement describing the unique and innovative aspects of the chapter's education program. Programs should show a continuing commitment to educating chapter members, and should be applicable to life before and/or after graduation. Topics can include personal development, health and safety, scholarship, career development, diversity, ethical issues, general life skills, or other similar topics (maximum of 1 page or 3200 characters).

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Outstanding Philanthropy Event

Purpose: To recognize the chapter whose philanthropy programming is well planned and executed. The philanthropy event ideally involves the entire University community and may expand beyond a single event. Exceptionally impressive individual events should require high levels of commitment, organization, and coordination. Funds should be raised for the chapter’s philanthropic organization or another comparable cause.

Award Eligibility:

- Chapter must be in good standing with the University and its respective Greek council.
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- Chapter must be a member of IFC, MGC, NPHC, or Panhellenic.

Name of Philanthropy Project:
Location of Philanthropy Project:
Date of Philanthropy Project:
Philanthropy Project’s Benefactors:
Estimated Number of Participants (from the entire University/Durham community):
Organizations who Participated:

Please compose a short paragraph detailing why your chapter deserves this award (maximum 1000 characters).

Please attach a PDF version of a brief statement about or from the charitable organization to which you donated. Please attach a PDF version of a budget, including goals set and the total amount donated.
Outstanding Programming

**Purpose:** To recognize the chapter who has demonstrated varied, unique, and successful programming throughout the past year that has benefited the University and/or the greater community.

**Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must be in good standing with the University and its respective Greek council.
- Chapter must be chartered and in good standing with its (inter)national organization. Colonies receiving their charter before the end of the academic year are considered eligible.
- Chapter must be a member of IFC, MGC, NPHC, or Panhellenic.

Please compose a statement demonstrating how the chapter has implemented a variety of successful programs throughout the past year. The programming should include a wide range of subject areas, and the chapter should also show the benefits to the community. Ideally, this includes innovative presentations covering a wide range of salient topics and produces tangible results (maximum of 1 page or 3200 characters).

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Outstanding Risk Management

Purpose: To recognize the chapter that has shown an outstanding commitment to their risk management program.

Award Eligibility:

• Chapter must be in good standing with the University and its respective Greek council.
• Chapter must be chartered and in good standing with its (inter)national organization. Colonies receiving their charter before the end of the end of academic year are considered eligible.
• Chapter must be a member of IFC, MGC, NPHC, or Panhellenic.

Please attach a PDF of an outline of your chapter’s risk management plan, including any risk management programming, policies, and procedures, such as guest lists or party monitors. Applicants may also want to pay close attention to new member education programming. Risk management topics include hazing, health, drinking, etc.

Please compose a statement demonstrating why your chapter deserves this award (maximum of 1 page or 3200 characters).

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Outstanding Service

**Purpose:** To recognize the chapter that shows a continued commitment to community service. Their service should benefit the University and/or greater community.

**Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must be in good standing with the University and its respective Greek council.
- Chapter must be chartered and in good standing with its (inter)national organization. Colonies receiving their charter before the end of the end of academic year are considered eligible.
- Chapter must be a member of IFC, MGC, NPHC, or Panhellenic.

Please compose a statement describing the ways in which the chapter shows its commitment to service. Service involvement should be ongoing and not confined to a single event or program. Include the ways in which the community has been positively affected by the service of the chapter. Also include a description of the service beneficiaries (maximum 1 page or 3200 characters).

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