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# Reactivation Policy for Greek-Letter Organizations at the University of California, Santa Cruz

The Greek-Letter Organization (GLO) Reactivation Policy outlines the required procedure for the reactivation/re-chartering of an inactive GLO that was previously recognized by the Office of Records for Greek-Letter Organizations, Student Organization Advising & Resources. To be considered a candidate for reactivation/re-charter, the organization must have been recognized by the University within the last 2 academic years (Fall to Spring).

Applications for reactivation will be reviewed once a year and all decisions made are final for that given year. Reactivation will be coordinated by the Expansion Council, which consists of eight (8) members: Inter-Greek Council President, PanHellenic Council President, Four (4) active student members of the Greek-Letter Community, SOAR advisor, and the Associate Director of SOMeCA. The four (4) active student members each represent a cultural, local, pre-professional and National Pan-Hellenic organization. All council members with the exception of the Associate Director of SOMeCA are voting members. A majority vote is required in order to approve expansion for any organization, with a minimum quorum of 5 total votes required.

UC Santa Cruz operates with an assumption of non-expansion unless a need has been determined to change this assumption. Enrolled student organizations must contact the Student Organization Advising and Resources (SOAR) Office to determine the institution's current status regarding when expansion will be allowed before initiating any expansion efforts.

#### **Reactivation Procedure**

In order to regain privileges to operate on the campus, Greek-Letter Organizations must make efforts to ensure the Greek-Letter Organizations is qualified to reactivate/re-charter and that the University and respective councils are prepared to provide the necessary advising and resources.

In order to be considered for reactivation/re-charter, the Greek-Letter Organization must comply with the following terms:

<u>Step One:</u> Students interested in re-activating a formerly recognized Greek-Letter Organizations at UC Santa Cruz must request a meeting with the Associate Director, SOMeCA located at the Student Organization Advising & Resources (SOAR) Office.

<u>Step Two:</u> After scheduled meeting, students will receive and review the Interested Greek-Letter Application and determine if they would like to proceed in the process. If yes, the interest students will submit 8 copies of all paperwork and supplemental materials to SOAR on the deadline. Interested students may request a meeting to discuss the reactivation process with the Associate Director of SOMeCA.

Information to be submitted includes but not limited to:

- Interest Greek-Letter Application
  - o Name of Interest Organization
  - o Primary Contact Information
  - o National Contact Information
  - o Short Answer Questions related to their understanding of the university, what the interest group offers/brings to the campus, academic requirements, policies related to hazing, AOD, etc. to name a few.
- Supplemental Material Required in Application, including:
  - o History & Alumni Information
  - o Inter/national Headquarter Values & Principles
  - o Greek-Letter Organization Development
  - o Membership Development
  - o Information on Inter/national Strength
  - o Additional Information
    - Alumni Support for the Greek-Letter Organization must be demonstrated in the form of a letter of support from at least 3 alumni
    - Reason for Greek-Letter Organization's loss of recognition including conditions (if any) regarding judicial standing
- Interested Greek-Letter Organization Roster
  - o Minimum of 10 interested currently enrolled UCSC student members. If the interested organization cannot provide the minimum, please provide reasoning.
    - 2 out of the 10 students must be current Greek-Letter Organization members.
- Interest Letter in Reactivation

<u>Step Three:</u> The Associate Director of SOMeCA, will provide the information to the Expansion Council members for consideration in their expansion.

<u>Step Four:</u> The Expansion Council will review reactivation applications and extend invitations for interviews including interested student members, inter/national headquarters, alumni, etc.

<u>Step Five:</u> The Expansion Council will make recommendations on who should reactivate/re-charter at UC Santa Cruz. Once all recommendations are reviewed with SOAR, the appropriate governing council, the Expansion Council will take a final vote for final approval.

<u>Step Six:</u> Invitation(s) to reactivate/re-charter at UC Santa Cruz will be extended by the Expansion Council.

## Reactivate/Re-chartering Procedure

- 1. Should a Greek-Letter Organization be selected for reactivation/re-chartering, there will be a one-year probationary period in order to fully establish the Greek-Letter Organization at UC Santa Cruz.
  - a. Expansion Council and SOAR will discuss expectations concerning recruitment and membership intake activities, prior to chartering, with representatives of the interest organization.

- b. At least one representative must participate and attend all governing council meetings as members and are encouraged to participate in all Greek Community activities.
- c. The re-chartering organization will be allowed to participate in all governing council voting, but their members are not allowed to hold executive board positions in the governing council until their charter has been secured.
- d. The re-chartering organization must participate and attend all SOAR Greek Life Leadership meetings and trainings.
- e. The re-chartering organization must meet with their assigned SOAR advisor at least three times per quarter and at least twice per year with all governing councils.
- 2. During the re-chartering period, the organization will develop programming in the following areas, with records of these provided as requested by Expansion Council and SOAR.
  - a. Recruitment/Membership intake
  - b. Officer Training and Transition
  - c. Financial Responsibilities
  - d. Social Programming (to include substance abuse and risk management education)
  - e. New Member Education and Hazing
- 3. The interest organization will register minimally as a Path B or C organization through SOAR, and will be subject to all rules, requirements, and benefits associated with that Path.
- 4. The organization must be on track to obtain minimally a Path B status by the fourth quarter.
- 5. Fulfill all other Greek Letter organization requirements outlined by the University and/or your respective Governing Council.

Any organization that does not uphold these requirements is subject to sanctions from their governing council, the Expansion Council, and the University, including suspension and/or termination of your organization.

## Greek-Letter Organization Recognition

- 1. Membership in one of the Governing Councils (Inter-Greek Council or PanHellenic Council) is required of any Greek-Letter Organization to be considered part of the Greek-letter Community at the UC Santa Cruz.
- 2. A final vote will be taken by the Expansion Council at the end of the academic year to fully recognize a Greek-Letter Organization at UC Santa Cruz. Please note that a vote could lead to a Greek-Letter Organization having an extended probationary period or dismissal of the Greek-Letter Organization.

Feel free to contact the Expansion Council with any questions via email at <u>expansioncouncil@ucsc.edu</u>