

## **Jax State Fraternity and Sorority Life Annual Recognition and Membership Growth Standards**

### **A. Annual Recognition Requirements**

To maintain recognition at Jacksonville State University, each fraternity and sorority chapter must:

- Complete all annual recognition requirements established by the Dean of Students Office
- Remain in good standing with the Office of Community Standards.
- Uphold all University policies and demonstrate behavior consistent with both their national organization's values and Jax State's mission.

Chapters must maintain a minimum of five (5) active members to retain recognition status.

### **B. Membership Support Program for Chapters Below Minimum Standards**

Chapters that fall below the minimum membership requirement will enter a structured support program designed to assist with recruitment and retention:

#### **Semester 1:**

Submit a Recruitment/Intake Action Plan to the Dean of Students Office. This plan should include:

- Recruitment events
- Marketing strategies
- Programming initiatives
- Alumni involvement
- Meet with HQ Staff about membership and recruitment support and efforts to help
- Meet with staff from the Dean of Students Office to review and refine the plan

#### **Semester 2:**

- Submit an Enhanced Recruitment/Intake Plan with updated strategies and goals.
- Attend a mandatory recruitment/intake workshop hosted by the Dean of Students Office.
- Provide a support plan from regional or national representatives outlining how they will assist the chapter in recruitment efforts.

#### **Semester 3:**

- Chapter recognition may be suspended at the discretion of the Dean of Students Office.
- A meeting will be held with national/regional representatives to determine the chapter's future at Jax State.

#### **Note:**

New or expanding organizations during the recognition years are exempt from the above membership requirements. Organizations get two recognition years. However, they must:

- Complete the Student Organization Registration Process.
- Meet with staff from the Dean of Students Office to review expectations.

Failure to meet these standards may result in the organization being unable to establish or continue operations at Jax State, as determined by the Dean of Students Office in consultation with the national organization.

**This policy will start in the Fall of 2026 to give organizations time to adjust to the new membership guidelines. The Spring of 2027 will be the first semester that chapters will be able to enter a structured support semester.**