Proposed Florida State University Regulation 6C2-3.0015, Student Organizations and Activities

- 1. Recognized student organizations are defined as organizations that have been approved by the Student Activities Center, as designee of the Vice President for Student Affairs, to function at Florida State University. Recognition does not constitute university endorsement, support, or concurrence.
- 2. Each recognized student organization's purposes and activities shall comply with applicable provisions of the United States Constitution, federal laws, the Constitution of the State of Florida, state laws, rules and regulations of the Board of Governors, the Florida State University Board of Trustees, Florida State University, and the Florida State University Student Conduct Code, and the purposes set forth in the Student Body Constitution, and the constitution of the student organization. The student organization and its officers are responsible and accountable for all actions of the organization. Any violation of law, Board of Governors' rules and regulations, Florida State University Board of Trustees rules and regulations, or Florida State University rules shall be considered as offenses committed by the organization. Its officers or members shall be subject to action pursuant to the provisions of the Florida State University Student Conduct Code. Any violation by a student organization shall render the organization's recognition subject to review and possible revocation. Benefits of recognition include but are not limited to, use of university name and facilities, eligibility for activity and service fee funding, and participation in university events.
- 3. All students shall be free to join recognized student organizations.
 - a. Recognized student organizations shall be limited to currently enrolled FSU students. Faculty and staff of Florida State University shall be free to participate in a manner that is consistent with the constitution and bylaws of the organization.
 - b. Non-FSU students who are enrolled in joint FSU programs or participate in partnership programs approved by the University Registrar, shall be eligible for limited membership in recognized student organizations and shall be free to participate in a manner that is consistent with university policies and the constitution and bylaws of the organization.
- 4. Student organizations may be officially recognized when the student organization has met appropriate requirements as outlined by the Vice President for Student Affairs or designee.
- 5. The Vice President for Student Affairs or designee may place other limitations on the continued recognition of student organizations.
- 6. Recognized student organizations are required to have a primary advisor who is a full-time faculty or staff member of the University.
- 7. All recognized student organizations shall be allowed to meet on campus and to use appropriate available university facilities.
- 8. Recognized student organizations that are eligible for funding under the criteria set forth by the Student Government Association may apply to the Student Government Association for activity and service fee funds.
- 9. Each recognized student organization shall re-register no later than the deadline set forth by the Student Activities Center in the fall semester of each year and shall concurrently provide the University with any changes in its constitution and officers.
- 10. In order to hold an elected or appointed student office in a recognized student organization or the Student Government Association, a student must:
 - a. Be registered for the minimum number of credit hours for the fall, spring, and summer terms as specified by the Student Activities Center for undergraduate and graduate students unless a greater enrollment is required by the organization;
 - b. Be in good academic standing (maintain a 2.0 for undergraduate students and 3.0 for graduate students), and be free of academic probation;
 - c. Be free of any obligation for fees or payments to the university;

- d. Recognized student organizations have the option to set standards that exceed the above stated minimum criteria.
- 11. Recognized student organizations that wish to use the university's name as part of their organization's name may do so as long as sponsorship or endorsement by the university is not implied or stated. If used, organizations are restricted to the following:
 - a. The university's name may only appear at the end of the organizations name and should be followed by the statement "a Recognized Student Organization" (i.e. Student organization at Florida State University, a Recognized Student Organization)
 - b. The title should follow one of these forms: (1) Florida State University; (2) FSU.
- 12. Student organizations at branch campuses will be required to follow the guidelines set forth by the branch campus with which they are affiliated.
- 13. Student organizations charged with offenses or any act in violation of laws, rules, regulations, policies or procedures shall have their cases heard by the appropriate person or body as designated by the Vice President for Student Affairs.
- 14. The university disclaims liability for any damage or injury that may arise out of the recognition of student organizations or their use of university facilities, whether arising out of the activities of students as individuals or whether participating with or as members of a recognized student organization or any other organizational part of the Student Government Association.

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