

# The Florida Greek Community Awards

Greek Awards will be November 15, 2023, at 6PM in Reitz Union's Grand Ballroom. More information will be provided soon.

**The applications deadline is October 13, 2023, at 5:00PM.**

To improve the effectiveness of our community's awards process and to better understand the work chapters are doing, there have been a few changes to the awards application process. Please ensure that you read through this packet in its entirety. There have been three additional awards added to the individual awards section and some of the application requirements have changed. For chapter specific awards, there are nine categories in which chapters from each council can submit applications for awards to win. **You are NOT required to submit applications for all nine of those categories, but if you would like to be considered for Chapter of the Year then you MUST submit applications for all nine categories.** Below you will find all individual and chapter awards listed along with the description of the award, what makes you eligible, the judging criteria, and what is required for the application to be complete.

## Application Timeline

August 29<sup>th</sup>—Awards packets are distributed to Council Leadership and Chapter Presidents

October 13<sup>th</sup>—Applications deadline

November 15<sup>th</sup>—Awards Banquet

If you have any specific questions or concerns about the Greek Award Application Process, please do not hesitate to email Deleighta Hodges at [d.hodges1@ufl.edu](mailto:d.hodges1@ufl.edu) or call the office at 352-846-3004.

*\*\*Please be advised that while applications are **due on October 13, 2023**, your individual standing with the University of Florida as well as your chapter's standing will be taken into consideration up until the Greek Awards Banquet.*

## Individual Awards

These awards recognize individuals who embody the values of the UF Sorority and Fraternity community. Nominations are not required for individual awards with the exception of Advisor of the Year. All applications and nominations must be submitted through the Qualtrics form linked in the title of each award.

***Individual Awards are as follows:***

- Greek Person of the Year
  - IFC Buddy MacKay Award
  - MGC William Santiago Award
  - NPHC Samuel Taylor Award
  - PC Dr. Helen Mamarchev Award
- James E. Scott Living the Ritual Award
- Frank Maturo Outstanding Greek Scholar
- Dr. Michael Bowie Greek Involvement Award
- William E. Rion University Involvement Award
- Frances Reitz Leadership and Service Award
- New Member of the Year (**1 winner per council**)
- Advisor of the Year (**1 winner per council**)
- Executive Council Member of the Year (**1 winner per council**)
- Chapter President of the Year (**1 winner per council**)

**Chapter Award Categories**

There are nine classifications of excellence that chapters may apply for as recognition of their hard work in various areas of the chapter. As a chapter, you are not required to submit an application for all nine classifications of excellence. The highest scoring chapter from each council will win the award for each classification of excellence (e.g., there will be four winners for each classification). Each of the classifications or categories is worth 20 points, if you do not submit supporting documentation as proof for the application, you cannot score higher than 15 points.

***Chapter Award Categories are as follows:***

1. Excellence in Greek Collaboration
2. Excellence in Scholarship Programming
3. Excellence in Educational Programming
4. Excellence in Civic Engagement (Community Service)
5. Excellence in Philanthropic Initiatives
6. Excellence in Membership Development
7. Excellence in Leadership Programming
8. Excellence in Inclusion
9. Excellence in Health and Wellness Programming

**Chapter of the Year**

This is the highest distinction that a chapter can receive from the Sorority and Fraternity Community at UF. It can be awarded to one chapter from each of the four councils and to be eligible for this award, a

chapter **MUST** submit an application for each of the nine categories above. Along with submitting an application for each of the nine categories, you must submit a statement (max. 1000 words) which details why you believe that your chapter should be recognized as chapter of the year and at least one area that you believe your chapter has improved in the last year.

## **INDIVIDUAL AWARDS**

### **Greek Person of the Year**

These awards are meant to recognize individuals who represent their chapter and/or the Sorority and Fraternity Community at UF through the values of Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Community. These members exemplify the true meaning of being Greek and set the standard for the community.

**Award Eligibility:**

- Applicants must be in good standing with the University and their respective Greek council.
- Applicants must not have been found responsible for violating the student code of conduct between November 16, 2022, and October 13, 2023.
- Applicants must hold a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 based on Spring 2023 grades.
- Applicants must be an active member of an IFC, MGC, NPHC, or PC chapter.
- Applicant's chapter must be in good standing with its council, Sorority and Fraternity Life, and the University of Florida.

**Award Criteria:**

- Practices the four values (scholarship, leadership, service, and community) of the Florida Greek community as well as those of their chapter.
- Represents the legacy of the honorary's story (Buddy Mackay, Dr. Helen Mamarchev, William Santiago, or Samuel Taylor).
- Participation in chapter and council level leadership and Florida Greek community events.

**Application should include:**

1. A high-quality electronic headshot photo (to be used in the slideshow during the award ceremony).
2. An involvement resume.
3. A letter of recommendation that describes why you deserve this award from one of the following: chapter advisor, SFL community member, UF faculty/staff, etc.
4. A statement which thoughtfully answers the following questions (750-word max):
  - a. Please describe how you practice and or exemplify the four core values of the Greek community (scholarship, leadership, service, and community), as well as the values of your chapter.
  - b. Please describe how you represent the qualities of the person for which this award is named. In other words, how have you lived the legacy of the person for which this award is named?
5. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your application.

**Interfraternity Council (IFC) Buddy MacKay Greek Member of the Year**

The Buddy MacKay Award is given to the Interfraternity Council's Man of the Year. Buddy MacKay has served in many roles throughout his life, including state representative, senator, congressman and Lt. Governor of Florida. Buddy MacKay has made it his priority to focus and improve the quality of Florida's schools, make Florida's neighborhoods safe, and preserve and protect Florida's environment. This award is designed to honor an outstanding member of the Interfraternity Council who, like Buddy

MacKay, displays outstanding scholarship, service, and leadership to the entire Florida community striving to further develop Buddy MacKay's dedicated commitment to education and to promoting safe and inclusive environment within the campus community. **Interfraternity Council (IFC) Greek Member of the Year** will demonstrate a commitment to Scholarship, Service, Leadership, Risk Management and Community. **(FOR IFC MEMBERS ONLY)**

### **Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) William Santiago Greek Member of the Year**

As a member of the Phi Chapter of Lambda Theta Phi, William Santiago helped create the Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) at the University of Florida. William's vision and passion was providing a stronger community of support for students interested in cultural appreciation. He carved a path for many of the MGC Greek chapters to exist today at UF. The recipient of the William Santiago award shares his great passion and determination as well as strives to continually improve both the Multicultural Greek Council and the Florida Greek community. **Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) Greek Member of the Year** will demonstrate a commitment to Scholarship, Service, Leadership, Risk Management and Community. **(FOR MGC MEMBERS ONLY)**

### **National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) Samuel Taylor Greek Member of the Year**

Samuel Taylor was the first Black University of Florida student to be elected Student Body Vice President in 1971 and went on to become the first Black student elected Student Body President in 1972. He was very instrumental during his time at the University of Florida, especially his participation in "Black Thursday," which was a sit-in held in 1971 by Black UF students who demanded an increase in minority representation on the campus. Additionally, Samuel Taylor was key in creating the African American studies program at UF. Taylor was dedicated to the betterment of the Black community at the University of Florida and strived for excellence in his field. The recipient of this award has a similar determination for his or her community. He or she deserves special recognition for the traits and accomplishments that come along with these qualities. **National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) Greek Member of the Year** will demonstrate a commitment to Scholarship, Service, Leadership, Risk Management and Community. **(FOR NPHC MEMBERS ONLY)**

### **Panhellenic Council (PC) Dr. Helen Mamarchev Greek Member of the Year**

As the former Associate Vice President for Student Affairs at the University of Florida, Dr. Helen Mamarchev founded the Women's Leadership Conference out of a need for programming at the University of Florida, especially for bright young women. This award is designed to honor an outstanding member of the Panhellenic Council who, like Dr. Mamarchev, displays outstanding scholarship, service, and leadership to the entire Florida community striving to further develop Dr. Mamarchev's vision of education and promoting outstanding woman leaders and role models for the campus community.

**Panhellenic Council (PC) Greek Member of the Year** will demonstrate a commitment to Scholarship, Service, Leadership, Risk Management and Community. **(FOR PC MEMBERS ONLY)**

### **James E. Scott Living the Ritual Award**

James E. Scott spent his career teaching and serving others. Beginning his career as a high school teacher and guidance counselor, Dr. Scott became Vice President for Student Affairs at the University of Florida in September 1999. He quickly gained a reputation as someone students could trust, someone who promoted respect in addition to providing it to students. The Living the Ritual Award is given to the most outstanding member of the Florida Greek community who throughout her/his academic career has not only promoted the ideals of Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Community but also the values of her/his individual chapter.

**No application is necessary for this award. Eight (8) semi-finalists of the Greek Person of the Year award (2 per council). If you are a semi-finalist, you will be contacted to schedule an interview for the James E. Scott Living the Ritual Award, should you be selected as a semi-finalist.**

**Award Eligibility:**

- Must apply for respective council's Greek Person of the Year award.
- Must be a semi-finalist for Greek Person of the Year award

**Frank Maturo Outstanding Greek Scholar**

As both a former University of Florida professor and fraternity advisor, Dr. Maturo inspired students to strive for a higher academic standard. Like Dr. Maturo, the recipient of this award will be someone who has excelled academically while still devoting time to remain a highly active member of the Greek community.

**Award Eligibility:**

- Applicants must be an enrolled UF student in good standing with the University and their respective Greek council.

- Applicants must hold a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 based on Spring 2023 grades.
- Applicants must be an active member of an IFC, MGC, NPHC, or PC chapter.
- Applicant's chapter must be registered as a social fraternity or sorority at the University of Florida.

**Award Criteria:**

- Shows dedication to the first value of the Florida Greek community: Scholarship.
- Promote academic excellence across the chapter and/or Florida Greek community.

**Application should include:**

1. A high-quality electronic headshot photo (to be used in the slideshow during the award ceremony).
2. An involvement resume.
3. Please list your current cumulative GPA
4. A letter of recommendation that describes why you deserve this award from one of the following: chapter advisor, SFL community member, UF faculty/staff, etc.
5. A statement which thoughtfully answers the following questions (750-word max):
  - a. Please describe how you have been dedicated to the Greek community value of scholarship.
  - b. Please describe how you have promoted academic excellence within your chapter and/or the Florida Greek community.
  - c. Please include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your application.
6. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your application.

**Dr. Michael Bowie Greek Community Involvement Award**

Dr. Michael Bowie has served the Greek community in a variety of capacities. Most notably, he was elected the youngest President in the history of the National Pan-Hellenic Council. Dr. Bowie's level of involvement is incredible, including serving as the National Treasurer of the National Pan-Hellenic Council, Inc., Florida State Keeper of Records & Seal of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Past President of the Gainesville Council of the National Pan-Hellenic Council, and Advisor to the NPHC at the University of Florida. All these accomplishments are a great inspiration to all. In the spirit of Dr. Bowie's outstanding service to the Greek community, this award will be presented to a dedicated and involved member of the Greek community.

**Award Eligibility:**

- Applicants must be an enrolled UF student in good standing with the University and their respective Greek council.
- Applicants must be an active member of an IFC, MGC, NPHC, or PC chapter.
- Applicants must hold a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.85 as of Spring 2023.
- Applicant's chapter must be registered as a social fraternity or sorority at the University of Florida.

**Award Criteria:**

- Demonstrates high level of involvement in various areas of the Florida Greek community.
- Demonstrates quality of leadership given to the position(s).
- Positive impact of applicant's involvement of the Florida Greek community

**Application should include:**

1. A high-quality electronic headshot photo (to be used in the slideshow during the award ceremony).
2. An involvement resume.
3. A letter of recommendation that describes why you deserve this award from one of the following: chapter advisor, SFL community member, UF faculty/staff, etc.
4. A statement which thoughtfully answers the following questions (750-word max):
  - a. Please describe how you have demonstrated quality leadership through your involvement experiences.
  - b. Please describe how your involvement has had a positive impact on the Florida Greek community.
  - c. Please include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your application.
5. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your application.

**William E. Rion University Involvement Award**

Dedicated to serving the student body, William E. Rion became the youngest Union Director in the nation in July 1948, just three years after he graduated from UF. He served as Director of the Florida Union for more than 50 years, seeing it move from Dauer Hall during the 1960s to its Museum Road location now known as the J. Wayne Reitz Union. While serving as Director, Rion fostered student involvement on campus by providing available spaces for various activities at the Florida Union that promoted diversity, leadership, and scholarship. The University Involvement Award is designed to honor a student who exemplifies the true meaning of being an involved member of the University of Florida through various activities and commitments.

**Award Eligibility:**



- Applicants must be an enrolled UF student in good standing with the University and their respective Greek council.
- Applicant's chapter must be registered as a social fraternity or sorority at the University of Florida.
- Applicants must be an active member of an IFC, MGC, NPHC, or PC chapter.
- Applicants must hold a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.85 as of Spring 2023.

**Award Criteria:**

- Demonstrates high level of involvement in various areas of campus and surrounding community.
- Demonstrates quality of leadership given to the experiences/position(s).
- Positive impact of applicant's involvement on the UF and surrounding community.

**Application should include:**

1. A high-quality electronic headshot photo (to be used in the slideshow during the award ceremony).
2. An involvement resume.
3. A letter of recommendation that describes why you deserve this award from one of the following: chapter advisor, SFL community member, UF faculty/staff, etc.
4. A statement which thoughtfully answers the following questions (750-word max):
  - a. Please describe how you have demonstrated quality leadership through your involvement experiences.
  - b. Please describe how your involvement has had a positive impact on the UF and/or surrounding community.
5. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your application.

**Frances Reitz Leadership and Service Award**

While her husband J. Wayne Reitz served as President of the University of Florida, Frances Reitz made a name for herself by devoting her time and energy to serving the community. In addition to all her volunteer efforts, she also created the Friends of Music organization at the University of Florida. This award will be presented to an individual who also possesses a love of service and understands the importance of serving the University of Florida and Gainesville communities.

**Award Eligibility:**

- Applicants must be an enrolled UF student in good standing with the University and their respective Greek council.
- Applicant's chapter must be registered as a social fraternity or sorority at the University of Florida.

- Applicants must be an active member of an IFC, MGC, NPHC, or PC chapter.
- Applicants must hold a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.85 as of Spring 2022.

**Award Criteria:**

- Dedication to the Florida Greek community value of Service.
- Promotes the need for service across chapter and community.
- Has helped in creation of helpful service-related programs/projects/policies.

**Application should include:**

1. A high-quality electronic headshot photo (to be used in the slideshow during the award ceremony).
2. An involvement resume.
3. A letter of recommendation that describes why you deserve this award from one of the following: chapter advisor, SFL community member, UF faculty/staff, etc.
4. A statement which thoughtfully answers the following questions (750-word max):
  - a. Please describe how you have been dedicated to the Greek community value of scholarship.
  - b. Please describe how you have promoted service within your chapter and/or the Florida Greek community.
5. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your application.

## [New Member of the Year](#)

This award is to recognize and celebrate outstanding contributions and achievements made by a new member within the Sorority and Fraternity community at UF. This award aims to encourage and motivate new members to actively participate, excel, and make a positive impact during their initial period of involvement. It serves to acknowledge their dedication, enthusiasm, and valuable contributions to their chapter, council, and overall community. There will be one new member from each council.

**Award Eligibility:**

- Applicants must be a new member from November 2022-September 2023.
- Applicants must be an enrolled UF student in good standing with the University and their respective Greek council.
- Applicant's chapter must be registered as a social fraternity or sorority at the University of Florida.
- Applicants must be an active member of an IFC, MGC, NPHC, or PC chapter.

**Award Criteria:**

- Demonstrates leadership skills and future potential as a leader within their chapter, council, and overall community.
- Participation as a new member in their chapter or council.
- Attended the New Member Orientation specific for their council.

**Application should include:**

1. A high-quality electronic headshot photo (to be used in the slideshow during the award ceremony).
2. An involvement resume.
3. A letter of recommendation that describes why you deserve this award from one of the following: chapter advisor, chapter executive board member, SFL community member, UF faculty/staff, etc.
4. A statement which thoughtfully answers the following questions (750-word max):
  - a. What has been your greatest achievement since joining your chapter?
  - b. How have you been involved within the chapter, council, and on campus/in the community since joining your organization?
  - c. What is one goal that you have for your future as a member of your chapter or of the SFL community?
  - d. What makes you unique and/or deserving of this award?
5. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your application.

**Advisor of the Year**

The chapter advisors to our fraternities and sororities are incredible resources. These individuals sacrifice their time to share personal experiences and knowledge about the importance of being a values-based Greek organization. The Advisor of the Year not only encompasses all these traits but exceeds all expectations of the position and deserves special recognition for his or her continual commitment to the Florida Greek community.

**Fraternity and sorority chapters that apply from all four councils  
(IFC, MGC, NPHC, and PC) will be considered for  
one (1) Advisor of the Year Award.**

**Award Criteria:**

- Dedication to promoting the success of the respective chapter
- Dedication to developing leaders within the chapter.
- Dedication to promoting a values-based organization.
- Promotes and models ethical leadership and healthy chapter membership.

**Nomination should include:**

1. Name of Advisor (that you are nominating).
2. A high-quality electronic headshot photo of the chapter advisor (to be used in the slideshow during the award ceremony).
3. A statement which thoughtfully answers the following questions (750-word max):
  - a. Please describe how your advisor promotes the success of your chapter and promotes a values-based organization.
  - b. How does your advisor promote and model ethical leadership and healthy chapter membership?
4. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your responses.

**Executive Council Member of the Year**

This award is to honor and commend a member from each of the four council's executive boards who have demonstrated exceptional leadership, dedication, and effectiveness in their role. It is to acknowledge the individual's significant contributions to the council's success, growth, and positive impact on the community.

**Award Eligibility:**

- Applicants must have served on one of the four councils executive boards within the time frame of November 2022 until October 2023.
- Applicants must be an enrolled UF student in good standing with the University and its respective Greek council.
- Applicant's chapter must be registered as a social fraternity or sorority at the University of Florida.
- Applicants must be an active member of an IFC, MGC, NPHC, or PC chapter.

**Award Criteria:**

- Dedication to strengthening community and enhancing the overall fraternal experience.
- Demonstrates exemplary leadership skills within their council and the overall community, fostering a positive and inclusive environment.

- Active involvement in various events, programs, and initiatives of the sorority and fraternity community at UF.

**Application should include:**

1. A high-quality electronic headshot photo (to be used in the slideshow during the award ceremony).
2. An involvement resume.
3. A letter of recommendation that describes why you deserve this award from one of the following: member of your executive council, chapter executive board member, SFL community member, UF faculty/staff, etc.
4. A statement which thoughtfully answers the following questions (750-word max):
  - a. How has your work in the sorority and fraternity community this year had an impact on your chapter?
  - b. How have you upheld the values (scholarship, service, leadership, and community) of the community and how has this created a space for you to continue your own development?
  - c. What is one piece of advice that you would give to future members of the executive board for your council?
5. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your responses.

## **Chapter President of the Year**

This award is meant to recognize and honor the outstanding leadership and contributions of the chapter presidents within the UF Sorority and Fraternity community. It highlights the presidents' exceptional qualities, dedication, and achievements in leading the chapter and fostering a positive, impactful, and thriving community.

**Award Eligibility:**

- Applicants must have served as Chapter President between (pick dates)
- Applicant must be an enrolled UF student in good standing with the University and its respective Greek council.
- Applicant's chapter must be registered as a social fraternity or sorority at the University of Florida.
- Applicant must be an active member of an IFC, MGC, NPHC, or PC chapter.

**Award Criteria:**

- Sets the precedent of leadership within their chapter, respective council, and overall community.
- Dedication to advancing the fraternal movement and continuous improvement of Greek life.
- Dedication to fostering unity and collaboration

**Application should include:**

1. A high-quality electronic headshot photo (to be used in the slideshow during the award ceremony).

2. An involvement resume.
3. A letter of recommendation that describes why you deserve this award from one of the following: member of your council's executive board, chapter advisor, chapter executive board member, chapter member, SFL community member, UF faculty/staff, etc.
4. A statement which thoughtfully answers the following questions (750-word max):
  - a. What was the biggest obstacle in your role as chapter president, and how did you overcome that obstacle? If you did not, what did you learn?
  - b. What was your greatest accomplishment as chapter president?
  - c. How has your chapter and the community as a whole benefited from your leadership?
  - d. How has being chapter president shaped your personal and professional development?
5. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your responses.

## CHAPTER EXCELLENCE AWARDS

### Chapter of the Year

The chapters receiving this award exemplify the Florida Greek community's four core values of Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Community. They have gone above and beyond the minimum standards set for them and have excelled in an array of areas throughout our community.

#### **Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must apply to all nine of the categories of excellence.
- Chapter must be a registered and active student organization at the University of Florida.
- Chapter standing with the University, respective Greek Council, and (inter)national organization will be taken into consideration.

#### **Applications should include:**

1. Chapter Name
2. Verification that you applied for all nine of the categories
3. A statement, no more than 1,000 words including:
  - a. Why you believe that your chapter should be recognized as Chapter of the Year.
  - b. At least one area that you believe your chapter has improved in the last year.

## **Excellence in Greek Collaboration**

To recognize chapter(s) who have made conscious efforts in collaborating with another Greek organization or another student organization in the brainstorming, pre-planning, implementation, and evaluation of a program/activity/stated goal.

### **Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must be a registered and active student organization at the University of Florida
- Chapter standing with the University, respective Greek Council, and (inter)national organization will be taken into consideration.

### **Award Criteria:**

Programs will be judged on the following criteria:

- Thoughtfulness of the project/program/event
- Creativity
- Reasoning for collaboration to occur
- Benefit of collaboration to the Florida Greek community or chapters

### **Applications should include:**

4. Name, location, and date of the event or program.
5. A list of all chapters/organizations involved in the event or program.
6. A statement, no more than 1,000 words which includes the following:
  - a. A description of the program/event.
  - b. The reasoning or justification for the collaboration to occur.
  - c. A description of the impact or relevance to the community.
7. Supporting documentation of the event (photos, attendance sheets, flyers, presentations etc.)
8. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your responses.

## **Excellence in Scholarship Programming**

An effective scholarship program is essential to maintaining the high academic values we hold in sororities and fraternities. The recipient of this award has established a practice or written program that successfully supports this value and helps the chapter to maintain high academic performance and standards.

### **Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must be a registered and active student organization at the University of Florida.
- Chapter standing with the University, respective Greek Council, and (inter)national organization will be taken into consideration.
- Chapter must have exceeded their respective council's average GPA for Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 (Found at [www.greeks.ufl.edu](http://www.greeks.ufl.edu) → Sorority and Fraternity Life → Resources→Grade Reports).

### **Award Criteria:**

Programs will be judged on the following criteria:

- Effectiveness of the program/practice
- Creativity of the scholarship program/practice
- Ability of program to support academic achievement within the organization

### **Applications should include:**

1. Name of the program or academic initiative.
2. A statement, no longer than 1,000 words which includes the following:
  - a. A description of the scholarship program academic initiative.
  - b. A description of how your scholarship program has improved the academic achievement of your chapter.
3. Supporting documentation of the event (photos, attendance sheets, flyers, presentations etc.)
4. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your responses.



## **Excellence in Educational Programming**

To recognize a chapter that shows an outstanding commitment to the continuous life-long learning process of its members and/or community through educational programming. The chapter has taken a proactive approach to education by establishing a program that effectively engages its members and has intentionally utilized the membership development plan.

### **Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must be a registered and active student organization of the University of Florida.
- Chapter standing with the University, respective Greek Council, and (inter)national organization will be taken into consideration.

### **Award Criteria:**

Programs will be judged on the following criteria:

- Thoughtfulness of the project/program
- Creativity
- Quality of program
- Benefit to the UF and Florida Greek communities

### **Applications should include:**

1. Name, location, and date of the event or program.
2. A statement, no more than 1,000 words which includes the following:
  - a. A description of the program/event.
  - b. The reasoning behind the program and the anticipated outcome.
  - c. A description of the impact or relevance to the community.
3. Supporting documentation of the event (photos, attendance sheets, flyers, presentations etc.)
4. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your responses.

### **Excellence in Civic Engagement (Community Service)**

Service is one of the four core values within the Florida Greek community. The chapter receiving this award has developed an innovative program that provides a service to the community while educating its members throughout the process. Effective programs like this are necessary to promote healthy relationships between the Florida Greek community and the surrounding Gainesville area.

#### **Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter standing with the University, respective Greek Council, and its (inter)national organization will be taken into consideration.
- Chapter must be a registered and active student organization at the University of Florida.

#### **Award Criteria:**

Programs will be judged on the following criteria:

- Thoughtfulness of project/program
- Creativity
- Benefit to the community
- Education on social issue and/or reflection at the project/program

#### **Applications should include:**

1. Name, location, and date of event/program.
2. A statement, no longer than 1,000 words which includes the following:
  - a. A description of the project/program
  - b. A description of the benefit to or impact on the community
  - c. How the chapter educates the community or reflects on the impact of the project/program at or associated with the program/event.
3. Supporting documentation of the event (attendance, photos, a flyer, etc.)
4. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your responses.

## **Excellence in a Philanthropic Initiatives**

To recognize chapters who display the utmost altruistic behavior with raising funds or products to benefit philanthropy/non-profit. The program or activity has significantly contributed to those in attendance through engagement and education. It is open to the Florida Greek community as well as the surrounding community.

### **Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must be a registered and active student organization at the University of Florida.
- Chapter standing with the University, respective Greek Council, and (inter)national organization will be taken into consideration
- Chapter must abide by the ARB constitution (IFC and PC chapters only).

### **Award Criteria:**

Programs will be judged on the following criteria:

- Thoughtfulness of the project/program/event
- Creativity
- Education on the impact of the project/program at or associated with the event/program.
- Benefit to the community

### **Applications should include:**

1. Name, location, and date of the event or program.
2. A statement, no longer than 1,000 words which includes the following:
  - a. A description of the project/program
  - b. Describe the benefit to or impact on the community.
  - c. How did the chapter educate the community or reflect on the impact of the project/program at or associated with the program/event?
3. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your responses.

## **Excellence in Membership Development**

To recognize chapters that continue the education of their members beyond the new member education process. This award targets the chapters that are providing opportunities for their members to work on their development both professionally and personally; while also reflecting on how this relates to their ritual. This also includes providing resources for members to accurately advertise their fraternal experience.

### **Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must be a registered and active student organization of the University of Florida.
- Chapter standing with the University, respective Greek Council, and (inter)national organization will be taken into consideration.

### **Award Criteria:**

Programs will be judged on the following criteria:

- Thoughtfulness of the program/opportunity
- Creativity
- Personal or professional development opportunities
- Benefit to the UF and Florida Greek communities

### **Applications should include:**

1. Name, location, and date of the event or program.
2. A statement, no more than 1,000 words which includes the following:
  - a. Describe how your chapter provides members with continuing education opportunities past their new member education.
  - b. Describe how your chapter holistically develops all levels of membership for the duration of their collegiate experience and beyond.
3. Supporting documentation of the event (photos, attendance sheets, flyers, presentations etc.)
4. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your responses.

## **Excellence in Leadership Programming**

To recognize chapters that provide leadership programming for their members whether this be internally or externally that benefit both the individual and the chapter.

### **Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must be a registered and active student organization of the University of Florida.
- Chapter standing with the University, respective Greek Council, and (inter)national organization will be taken into consideration.

### **Award Criteria:**

Programs will be judged on the following criteria:

- Thoughtfulness of the project/program
- Creativity
- Quality of the program
- Benefit to the UF and Florida Greek communities

### **Applications should include:**

1. Name, location, and date of the event or program.
2. A statement, no more than 1,000 words which includes the following:
  - a. A description of the program/event.
  - b. The reasoning behind the program and the anticipated outcome.
  - c. A description of the impact or relevance to the community.
3. Supporting documentation of the event (photos, attendance sheets, flyers, presentations etc.)
4. Please feel free to include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your responses.

## **Excellence in Inclusion**

To recognize a chapter that shows an outstanding effort to foster multiculturalism and diversity education within their organization and the Florida Greek Community. The recipients of this award have initiated and implemented a practice or written program that successfully celebrates multiculturalism and promotes diversity education within their organization or the community. This award intends to recognize those who have taken a proactive approach to better their respective organization and promote social justice in the community.

### **Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must be a registered and active student organization at the University of Florida.
- Chapter standing with the University, respective Greek Council and (inter)national organization will be taken into consideration.

### **Award Criteria:**

Programs will be judged on the following criteria:

- Effectiveness of the program/initiative
- Creativity of Multiculturalism initiative program/practice
- Ability of program/practice to improve and/or educate the organization and/or Florida Greek Community

### **Applications should include:**

1. Name, location, and date of the event or program.
2. A statement, no more than 1,000 words which includes the following:
  - a. A description of the program/event.
  - b. Describe how your multicultural initiative/program has helped to improve and/or educate your organization and/or Florida Greek Community.
3. Supporting documentation of the event (photos, attendance sheets, flyers, presentations etc.)
4. Please include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your responses.

## **Excellence in Health and Wellness Programming**

To recognize and celebrate chapters that have demonstrated exceptional effortlessness in promoting holistic health and wellness of their members. It aims to encourage a positive and healthy lifestyle within the Sorority and Fraternity community at UF.

### **Award Eligibility:**

- Chapter must be a registered and active student organization of the University of Florida.
- Chapter standing with the University, respective Greek Council, and (inter)national organization will be taken into consideration.

### **Award Criteria:**

Programs will be judged on the following criteria:

- Thoughtfulness of the project/program
- Creativity
- Overall quality of program
- Benefit to the UF and Florida Greek communities

### **Applications should include:**

5. Name, location, and date of the event or program.
6. A statement, no more than 1,000 words which includes the following:
  - a. A description of the program/event.
  - b. The reasoning behind the program and the anticipated outcome.
  - c. A description of the impact or relevance to the community.
7. Supporting documentation of the event (photos, attendance sheets, flyers, presentations etc.)
8. Please include as many supplemental documents as you would like to support your responses.