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Fraternity & Sorority Life

AWARDS
2024

The Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life is pleased to announce the 2024 FSL Awards. The FSL Awards are a time to celebrate all the achievements that Chapters have had over the past calendar year. Chapters are encouraged to use the standards listed under each category as a *best practice* guide to aid in their planning, goal setting, and general chapter operations. Fraternity & Sorority Life will recognize those chapters that demonstrate excellence in meeting these standards.

The FSL Awards are organized under the following categories:

- **Chapter Awards: [LINK to application](#)**
    - Academic Achievement Program of the Year
    - CRW Risk Education Program of the Year
    - Developmental Program of the Year
    - Philanthropy & Civic Engagement Program of the Year
    - Community Collaboration Program of the Year
    - Brotherhood/Sisterhood Program of the Year
    - Wellness Program of the Year
    - Chapter of the Year
- **Individual Awards: [LINK to application](#)**
    - IFC Member of the Year
    - MGC Member of the Year
    - NPHC Member of the Year
    - CPH Member of the Year
    - Advisor of the Year
    - Community Builder Award
    - Emerging Leader Award
    - Helping Hand Award

Guidelines:

Each category submission will be scored by external FSL Professionals across the country. Every category will contain an application that requires you to upload documentation or a written response that corresponds with the application criteria statements. Each category is worth a total of ten (10) points. The submission will be evaluated using a rubric with a scale of 1 – 10. Below are the possible scores and meaning:

- Below 5 Points = Below Expectations
- 5 – 6 Points = Achieved Expectations
- 7 – 8 Points = Excellent
- 9 – 10 Points = Outstanding

Applications must be submitted via the submission forms:

- The forms will be available on November 1st, 2024.

All submissions are due no later than 11:59pm CST on Sunday, February 2nd, 2025. Late submissions are not accepted nor will be evaluated.

The Chapter with the highest overall score for each category will be the winner. Each council that has applicants can win each award. Any Chapters who receive an "Excellent" or "Outstanding" score for each award will also be recognized.

To be eligible for Chapter Awards, the Chapter must be in good standing with their Inter/National Organization, Council, and the University.

The evaluation period for recognition will be the **2024 Calendar Year** which means any activity, program, etc. which occurred from January 1st, 2024, through December 31st, 2024, will be accepted and considered towards the FSL Awards.

The Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life will host the annual FSL Awards Ceremony on **March 31st, 2025,** at 6pm CST. In the weeks following the FSL Awards Ceremony, all Chapters who applied for FSL Awards will receive their official scores and any feedback provided by the external judges.

We are thankful for your participation in the FSL Awards process, and we hope these standards will serve as a helpful guide to point your Chapter towards excellence!

FSL Awards Timeline

- **FSL Awards Training Video**
    - All Chapter Presidents will receive a training video as well as the FSL Awards Packet in fall 2024.
- **Online Application Period**
    - November 1st, 2024 - February 2nd, 2025 via Google Forms
- **Deadline for Awards**
    - February 2nd, 2025, via Google Forms
- **FSL Awards Review**
    - February 5th, 2025, through March 5th, 2025
- **FSL Awards Ceremony**
    - March 31st, 2025, Time & location TBD

<u>**Chapter Awards Overview**</u>

Academic Achievement Program of the Year

- Highlight an academic program, event, or initiative the chapter hosted for Members, FSL, or the Texas Tech Community.
- Describe how the program positively impacted the intended audience and enabled effective and measurable change.
- Events, programs, and initiatives can be a one-time or a series and could be hosted in any manner (virtual, hybrid, or in-person).
- The submission must be 500 words or less and documentation is required.

CRW Risk Education Program of the Year

- Highlight a risk education program, event, or initiative the chapter hosted for Members, FSL, or the Texas Tech Community.
- The following areas are examples of risk education topics that could be covered:
  - Hazing Prevention
  - Sexual Assault Education
  - Alcohol Risk Education
  - Substance Abuse
  - Mental Health/Stress
  - Bystander Intervention
- Describe how the program positively impacted the intended audience and enabled effective and measurable change.
- Events, programs, and initiatives can be a one-time occurrence or series and could be hosted in any manner (virtual, hybrid, or in-person).
- The submission must be 500 words or less and documentation is required.

Developmental Program of the Year

- Highlight a leadership or member development program, event, or initiative the Chapter hosted for Members, FSL, or the Texas Tech Community.
- The following areas are examples of events that could be covered in developmental programs:
  - Leadership Development
  - Member Development
  - Individual Development
  - Group Development
- Describe how this program positively impacted the intended audience and enabled effective and measurable change.
- Events, programs, and initiatives can be a one-time occurrence or a series and could be hosted in any manner (virtual, hybrid, or in-person).
- The submission must be 500 words or less and documentation is required.

Philanthropy & Civic Engagement Program of the Year

- Highlight a philanthropic or service program, event, or initiative the Chapter hosted for Members, FSL, or the Texas Tech Community.
- Describe how this program or event positively impacted the intended audience and enabled effective and measurable service.
- Events, programs, and initiatives can be a one-time occurrence or a series and could be hosted in any manner (virtual, hybrid, or in-person).
- The submission must be 500 words or less and documentation is required.

Community Collaboration Program of the Year

- Highlight a community and belonging program, event, or initiative the Chapter hosted for Members, FSL, or the Texas Tech Community.
- The following areas are examples of events that could be covered in community collaboration:
  - Collaborations with other chapters
  - Collaborations with student organizations
  - Collaborations with Lubbock Community organizations
- Describe how this program or event positively impacted the intended audience and enabled effective and measurable service.
- Events, programs, and initiatives can be a one-time occurrence or a series and could be hosted in any manner (virtual, hybrid, or in-person).
- The submission must be 500 words or less and documentation is required.

Brotherhood/Sisterhood Program of the Year

- Highlight a brotherhood or sisterhood program, event, or initiative the Chapter hosted for Members, FSL, or the Texas Tech Community.
- Describe how this program or event positively impacted the intended audience and enabled effective and measurable service.
- Events, programs, and initiatives can be a one-time occurrence or a series and could be hosted in any manner (virtual, hybrid, or in-person).
- The submission must be 500 words or less and documentation is required.

Wellness Program of the Year

- Highlight a wellness program, event, or initiative the Chapter hosted for Members, FSL, or the Texas Tech Community.
- The following areas are examples of events that could be covered in wellness:
  - Mental Health Support
  - Physical Health Support
  - Nutrition Workshops
  - Financial Wellness Workshops
  - Holistic Wellness Programs
- Describe how this program or event positively impacted the intended audience and enabled effective and measurable engagement.
- Events, programs, and initiatives can be a one-time occurrence or a series and could be hosted in any manner (virtual, hybrid, or in-person).
- The submission must be 500 words or less and documentation is required.

Chapter of the Year

- This award cannot be applied for.
    - Each council will have an opportunity to win this award based on the following requirements:
        - Apply for at least 6 out of the 7 Chapter Award categories
            - Points are available with all 7 categories
        - Be in good standing with the Inter/National Organization, Council, and the University

Individual Awards Overview

IFC Member of the Year

This award is for any member of the Interfraternity Council, regardless of position who constantly strives to better the fraternal community. This individual has made solid relationships in the community and exemplifies the values of fraternity and sorority life at Texas Tech University.

- Criteria
    - 2.75 Cumulative GPA
    - Must be at least a Sophomore
    - Must be in good standing with their organization
- Application
    - Name
    - Chapter
    - Year
    - Cumulative GPA
    - TTU Email
    - Please describe why you or the nominee should be chosen as IFC Member of the Year (500 words or less)
    - Upload a Letter of Good Standing from the organization

MGC Member of the Year

This award is for any member of the Multicultural Greek Council, regardless of position who constantly strives to better the fraternal community. This individual has made solid relationships in the community and exemplifies the values of fraternity and sorority life at Texas Tech University.

- Criteria
    - 2.75 Cumulative GPA
    - Must be at least a Sophomore
    - Must be in good standing with their organization
- Application
    - Name
    - Chapter
    - Year
    - Cumulative GPA
    - TTU Email
    - Please describe why you or the nominee should be chosen as MGC Member of the Year (500 words or less)
    - Upload a Letter of Good Standing from the organization

NPHC Member of the Year

This award is for any member of the National Pan-Hellenic Council, regardless of position who constantly strives to better the fraternal community. This individual has made solid relationships in the community and exemplifies the values of fraternity and sorority life at Texas Tech University.

- Criteria
    - 2.75 Cumulative GPA
    - Must be at least a Sophomore
    - Must be in good standing with their organization
- Application
    - Name
    - Chapter
    - Year
    - Cumulative GPA
    - TTU Email
    - Please describe why you or the nominee should be chosen as NPHC Member of the Year (500 words or less)
    - Upload a Letter of Good Standing from the organization

CPH Member of the Year

This award is for any member of the College Panhellenic Council, regardless of position who constantly strives to better the fraternal community. This individual has made solid relationships in the community and exemplifies the values of fraternity and sorority life at Texas Tech University.

- Criteria
    - 2.75 Cumulative GPA
    - Must be at least a Sophomore
    - Must be in good standing with their organization
- Application
    - Name
    - Chapter
    - Year
    - Cumulative GPA
    - TTU Email
    - Please describe why you or the nominee should be chosen as NPHC Member of the Year (500 words or less)
    - Upload a Letter of Good Standing from the organization

Advisor of the Year

This award is given to a Chapter Advisor who goes above and beyond to provide leadership and guidance to the Chapter they advise.

- Criteria
    - Has served as an Advisor for at least one (1) year
- Application
    - Name
    - Advising Position
    - Chapter
    - Years of Advising
    - Nominator
    - Nominator's Email
    - Please describe why the nominee should be chosen as the Advisor of the Year (500 words or less)

Community Builder Award

This award is given to an individual who displays a solid commitment to promoting unity and inclusion within their Chapter, Council, and the FSL Community at Texas Tech University.

- Criteria
    - Must be an active member of a recognized council at Texas Tech University (IFC, CPH, MGC, or NPHC)
    - Has been a member of their fraternity/sorority for at least one (1) semester
- Application
    - Name
    - Chapter
    - Initiation Semester
    - TTU Email
    - Please describe how you or the nominee has gone above and beyond to build community within the Chapter, Council, and the FSL Community at Texas Tech University (500 words or less)

Emerging Leader Award

This individual has displayed a strong sense of values and leadership through their actions and has made a positive impact during their time in the community.

- Criteria
    - 2.75 Cumulative GPA
    - Must be within first (1st) year of membership
    - Must be in good standing with their organization
- Application
    - Name
    - Chapter
    - Year
    - Cumulative GPA
    - Initiation Date
    - TTU Email
    - Please describe how you or the nominee has demonstrated leadership within the Chapter or the greater FSL Community (500 words or less)
    - Upload a Letter of Good Standing from the organization

Helping Hand Award

This award is given to a campus or community partner (person, department, or organization) that has demonstrated a strong commitment to helping an organization or the FSL Community at Texas Tech University progress.

- Criteria
    - May be a faculty/staff member on campus, a campus department, Lubbock or university organization, or a Lubbock community member
    - Cannot be a current Chapter Advisor
    - Cannot be a current undergraduate member in the FSL Community
- Application
    - Nominator's Name
    - Nominator's TTU Email Address
    - Nominee (person, department, or organization)
    - Nominee's Email Address
    - Please describe how this individual or department has assisted the FSL Community at Texas Tech University (500 words or less)