



FSA REPORT

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A NEW & IMPROVED FSA!

Welcome back! We are excited to welcome you back to a new and improved Fraternity and Sorority Affairs (FSA) area within the Office of the Dean of Students (ODOS). With the creation of a new full-time Assistant Director position, a revised graduate assistant role for Leadership Development and Training, the continuation of the Expectations for Excellence Graduate Assistant position, the addition of new support staff, and a new student assistant, we felt it was time to reevaluate who we are and what we do. This led us to create a new mission and vision statement for FSA.

FSA Mission

We promote excellence on campus and in the Greater Rochester area through support, advocacy, and advisement of fraternity and sorority members. We empower community through creating collaborative networks that are aligned with the mission and values of the College and the Office of the Dean of Students. As educators we strengthen the relationship between the College and is recognized fraternities and sororities via a success-driven system rooted in the College.

FSA Vision

FSA envisions that all fraternity and sorority members will:

- Be integrated and invested in the College through active contributions to the quality of campus life
- Serve as beacons of leadership for their communities
- Exemplify and promote the positive aspects of fraternity and sorority life
- Be outstanding citizens and representatives of the University of Rochester

We look forward to working with you to implement our mission and aspire towards achieving our vision. We cannot do it alone so we hope you will join us in making this year the best year ever! *Meliora!*

Meet our new GA

Malcolm McLemore joined our staff on July 1, 2009 as the Graduate Assistant (GA) for Leadership Development and Training (LDT). Originally from Seattle, WA, Malcolm brings new life to a new role. While at CSU, Chico he served as the Assistant Program Coordinator for cross-cultural and leadership programs and advised student organizations in developing educational opportunities for the campus. He has facilitated numerous programs for a variety of conferences including an Engineering and Science “B A STAR” Program and the Asian American Excellence Conference. Malcolm graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Recreation Administration and was inducted into the CSU, Chico Leadership Honor Society. His fraternity experience includes serving as chapter Polemarch (president) for Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. He was also a charter member of Sigma Alpha Pi, the National Society for Leadership and Success, and served as a Leadership Consultant for Chico’s Multicultural Greek Council (MGC). Malcolm is pursuing his Masters in Higher Education at the Warner School. Be sure to stop by the office and welcome Malcolm to UR!

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Get to know Sue Nielsen

Sue Nielsen joined the staff of the Office of the Dean of Students in March 2009 and has since transitioned into her role as the office manager for the Wilson Commons 201 Suite, which includes both Fraternity and Sorority Affairs and Wilson Commons Student Activities. For the last ten years, Sue has worked over in the medical center. She is excited this is her first position at the River Campus since she was intentionally seeking a position that included increased interaction with students.

Sue lives in the City of Rochester with her husband and two young children and loves to dabble in the culinary field with her own private catering company. We are thrilled Sue is a part of our team. She is looking forward to meeting many of you as she schedules meetings for you and helps you with what you need to continue to be successful.



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*Did you know that each chapter
and each council has its own chapter
mailbox right in 201 Wilson
Commons? Yes, that's right.
No need to open a chapter CPU
box and pay a fee—this one's **free!**
And any mail that the chapter
receives from anywhere on campus,
including FSA, comes here, so
checking it at least twice a week
is important!*

Our New Assistant Director

John DiSarro has been named to the newly created position of assistant director of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs (FSA). John, a *summa cum laude* graduate of SUNY Geneseo, joined FSA in 2007 as a graduate assistant while he pursued a master's degree from the Warner School of Education. John's undergraduate senior thesis examining psychosocial factors affecting hazing provided a basis for the hazing prevention portion of the UR website and educational brochure he created during his time with FSA. John also created the UR Guide to Fraternities and Sororities, has served as the Chair of the Recognition committee, a hearing officer, and a staff member for the Northeast Greek Leadership Association Annual Conference. He has also presented at national and local conferences and is currently a member of the NIC Resource Workgroup for the Association of Fraternity/Sorority Advisors (AFA). We are excited to have John remain on staff in this new position.

As the inaugural Assistant Director John will continue to provide program advisement, development, and coordination for all fraternities and sororities. In addition to the programming area, another area of focus will be supporting community development by building healthy and inclusive fraternal residential communities that complement and extend classroom learning and foster a lively academic and intellectual environment and culture that supports the mission of the college. This includes balanced social, educational, cultural and recreational programs; advising chapter house officers; counseling, advising and referral mechanisms; intervention, mediation and adjudication programs; etc. The facilities and housing management aspect of this position increases the support FSA can provide to organizations with residential spaces, a previously underserved area.

IMPORTANT DATES IN SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 9: ALL FRATERNITY AND SORORITY PRESIDENT'S MEETING, 8PM, WC 122

SEPTEMBER 16: ANNUAL EXPECTATIONS FOR EXCELLENCE KICK-OFF MEETING FOR CHAPTER LEADERSHIP, CHAPTER ADVOCATES, AND CHAPTER ALUMNI ADVISORS, 5:30PM-7PM, GOWEN ROOM-WILSON COMMONS

SEPTEMBER 21-25: NATIONAL HAZING PREVENTION WEEK

CHECK OUT THE FSA WEBSITE FOR A MORE DETAILED 2009-2010 CALENDAR.

<http://www.rochester.edu/college/fsa>

COLLEGE COMMUNITY WEEKENDS 2009-2010

SEPTEMBER 4-7: YELLOWJACKET WEEKEND

OCTOBER 8-11: MELIORA WEEKEND

JANUARY 29-31: WINTER FEST

APRIL 9-11: SPRING SHOWTIME

MAY 14-16: COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND

SAVE THE DATE

**New Member Orientation Program for all
Fall 2009 new members**

Wednesday, October 14, 2009

Hoyt Auditorium - 6:30pm