

Multicultural Greek Council at Eastern Michigan University <u>Expansion Policy</u>

Section A. Purpose

The purpose of the Multicultural Greek Council expansion policy at Eastern Michigan University is:

- 1. To open the Multicultural Greek Council(MGC) at Eastern Michigan University(EMU) for expansion to a national, or local cultural/multicultural Fraternity or Sorority. That is in good standings with their national when they have made interest toward a successful Council expansion effort.
- 2. To provide specific guidance and support to invited Fraternities or Sororities.
- 3. To ensure that all Council expansion policies are followed during an expansion effort

Section B. Expansion

- 1. Interest Groups
 - a. For any organization that falls under the MGC that has not been previously recognized or currently recognized as an active chapter in MGC at EMU. The full application process from interest group to active membership must be aligned with the colonization process and timeline of the national organization standards. Interest groups after 3 consecutive academic years without reaching provisional colony membership status, the interest group must restart the interest group process.
 - b. Formation of interest group requirements
 - i. A minimum of 3 members in the interest group must be enrolled as Undergraduate students at Eastern Michigan University.
 - ii. Must be recognized as a student organization under Campus Life.
 - iii. All members must maintain academic standards set forth by the Greek Life office and have completed at least one semester at Eastern Michigan University and be in good academic standing.
 - iv. The organization must be culturally/multicultural based.
 - v. Must follow all policies required by the office of Greek Life and Campus Life. As well be in good standing with the Student Code of Conduct.
 - vi. Hold a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5.
 - vii. Abide by the MGC constitution
 - c. Interest groups can not:



- i. Attend MGC council meetings as active, voting members.
- ii. Run for MGC Executive Board
- iii. Use the MGC name on any sort of publicity

2. Re-activation

- a. An inactive chapter wanting to re-activate its status shall contact the Executive Board stating its purpose.
- b. The Inactive Chapter must come to a General Council meeting to give an oral and written presentation explaining its reasons for wanting to return to MGC.
- c. A two-thirds vote will be required to obtain Associate Chapter status. The chapter will remain an Associate Chapter for 5 consecutive, scheduled meetings.
- d. If an MGC chapter has been inactive for 4 semesters or less, they must begin to pursue membership in MGC through the Associate Period.
- e. How to become an associate chapter/colony
 - i. On the second consecutive General Council meeting the Interest Chapter attends, the delegates from each Membership Chapter will vote on whether the interest chapter shall be allowed to become an Associate Chapter of the Multicultural Greek Council.
 - ii. A vote of a majority vote for Associate Chapter status must be met in order to gain Associate Member status.
 - iii. The group will remain an Associate Chapter for 5 consecutive, scheduled meetings.
 - iv. The group is granted the same rights and privileges as Active Chapters/colonies, with the exception that they cannot hold executive board positions.
 - v. The group is subject to the same attendance policies as the Active Chapters/colonies, with the exception of the probationary period.
- f. If an MGC chapter has been inactive for more than 4 semesters, they must re-apply to become an Interest Chapter/Colony.
 - i. For information on how to become and associate chapter refer to Article XV- Section B part 1 of the MGC Constitution.

Section C. Expansion Process

1. Submit a letter of interest to the president or advisor of the Multicultural Greek Council.



- 2. Complete an application
- 3. Conduct a presentation for the MGC Executive Board (including delegates) and the MGC advisor on the prospective fraternity or sorority that they would like to bring to EMU. The presentation should include:
 - a. information about leadership, scholarship, diversity, community service, philanthropy, and reasons they want to join MGC.
- 4. After the presentation the MGC Executive Board and Delegates will cast a vote for acceptance of interest group or associate chapter.
 - a. If a majority of the council votes to accept the presenters as an interest group then they will have 4 consecutive semesters (not including summer) to be recognized lettered members of their organization.
 - i. For information on what it means to be an associate chapter please refer to Article VII of MGC Constitution.
 - b. If the majority of the council votes to not accept the presenters. An evaluation will be provided with the reasons for the council's decision as well as recommendations on how to improve the overall presentation within one week of the presentation. Another presentation to MGC can be done the following academic semester for a reevaluation.