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3. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages or drugs by a student must conform to FMU policy and to South Carolina law. Copies of this policy are available in the Student Affairs Office.
4. Salespersons are not permitted to contact students on campus, nor are students permitted to serve as commercial agents on campus.
5. Any student withdrawing from the University must see his/her adviser to obtain a Complete Withdrawal Form. The completed form must be taken by the student to the Office of the Registrar so that rolls and records can be corrected. (See "Withdrawing from the University.")
6. Students must register any automobiles they intend to bring on campus. Permits are issued for an academic year and may be secured during registration at the beginning of each semester or from the Cashier's Office.
7. Any student group claiming sponsorship by the University and any student or student group seeking publicly to represent the University must have prior approval from appropriate authorities as authorized in the Student Handbook.
8. Registration assumes students individually and collectively will conform to all regulations published in the Francis Marion University Catalog and the Student Handbook as well as to all special regulations (e.g., traffic rules, rules of personal conduct at University activities, and housing rules and regulations) designed to support the ongoing University program.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

The University has several student organizations that help meet the academic, social, political, religious, and recreational needs of FMU students. Interested parties should contact the Office of Student Affairs for more information about current organizations. The following are the organizations currently active at FMU:

ACADEMIC ORGANIZATIONS

American Chemical Society
Association of Computing Machinery
Biology Club
Ecology Club
Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA)
Psychology Club
Psychology Graduate Student Association
Sociology Club
Student Nurses Association

HONOR SOCIETIES

Alpha Psi Omega - A national honorary dramatic fraternity designed to recognize and reward the academic excellence of the students participating in college theatre activities.

Beta Beta Beta - A national biological honor society designed to stimulate interest, scholarly attainment, and investigation of the biological sciences.

Beta Gamma Sigma - A national honor society for business programs accredited by the AACSB - International Association for Business Management Education. Election to membership recognizes and rewards academic excellence of students in business programs.

Chi Alpha Sigma - The National College Athlete Honor Society. The organization's purposes are to encourage and reward high academic scholarship of college athletes at four-year accredited institutions; to recognize outstanding academic achievement by intercollegiate varsity letterwinners; to encourage good citizenship, moral character, and friendship among the high academic achievers in college athletics; to recognize and honor the individual athlete, his/her team, sport, athletic

department, and college or university; and to mentor and to provide leadership to other athletes.

Kappa Delta Pi - An international honor society in education designed to promote excellence in and recognize outstanding contributions to education.

Omicron Delta Kappa - A national leadership honor society which recognizes and encourages achievement in scholarship, athletics, social service and religious activities, campus government, journalism, speech, the mass media, and creative and performing arts. Election to membership is on the basis of merit.

Phi Alpha Theta - The national honor society to distinguish students who excel in the study of history. The FMU chapter emphasizes the common pursuit of historical understanding by students and professors.

Phi Kappa Phi - A national honor society whose general objective is to unite university graduates of high academic achievement without regard to department, course of study, or sex, for the advancement of the highest scholarship. It is the preeminent academic honor society at FMU.

Pi Gamma Mu - An international honor society in social science designed to recognize those students with high achievement in the social sciences (economics, geography, history, political science, international relations, sociology, and psychology). Founded in 1924, the honor society encourages excellence in the social sciences, both in scholastics and in research.

Pi Sigma Alpha - The national honor society in political science is designed to stimulate scholarship and intelligent interest in political science. The national honor society sponsors programs and events of value to the profession and teaching of political science. Each local chapter is encouraged to provide a framework for enriching the exposure of its members and the wider university community to the study of government and issues of public concern.

Psi Chi - The national honor society in psychology is designed to provide recognition for outstanding scholastic achievement. The FMU chapter attempts to encourage, stimulate, and maintain high scholarship, research, and involvement of members in the field of psychology.

Sigma Delta Pi - The National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society honors students who have demonstrated academic excellence in the study of the Spanish language, and in the study of the literatures and cultures of the Spanish-speaking world.

Sigma Theta Tau - The mission of the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International, is advancing world health and celebrating nursing excellence in scholarship, leadership, and service. STTI membership is by invitation to baccalaureate and graduate nursing students who demonstrate excellence in scholarship and to nurse leaders exhibiting exceptional achievements in nursing. Francis Marion University's Chapter of STTI, Chi Lambda, was chartered October 16, 2014.

Sigma Tau Delta - A national society designed to confer distinction for high achievement in undergraduate, graduate, and professional studies in English language and literature.

Upsilon Pi Epsilon - A national honorary society for students interested in computer science.

Fraternity and sorority life

Inter-Fraternity Council - Serves as the coordinating body of the following NIC (National Inter-Fraternity Council) fraternities at FMU:

Kappa Alpha Order
Tau Kappa Epsilon

Panhellenic Council – Serves as the coordinating body of the following NPC (National Panhellenic Council) sororities at FMU:

- Alpha Delta Pi
- Kappa Delta
- Zeta Tau Alpha

National Pan-Hellenic Council – Serves as the coordinating body of the following NPHC (National Pan-Hellenic Council) fraternities and sororities:

- Alpha Kappa Alpha – sorority
- Alpha Phi Alpha - fraternity
- Delta Sigma Theta – sorority
- Kappa Alpha Psi - fraternity
- Iota Phi Theta – fraternity
- Omega Psi Phi – fraternity
- Sigma Gamma Rho – sorority
- Zeta Phi Beta – sorority

SPECIAL INTEREST ORGANIZATIONS

- Adelante (Hispanic American Student Association)
- Alive in Christ
- Artists Anonymous
- American Chemical
- Baptist Collegiate Ministries at FMU
- Campus Girl Scouts
- Catholic Campus Ministry
- College Democrats
- College Republicans
- Dimensions of Diversity Dance Team
- Ducks Unlimited
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes at FMU
- Finance Club
- FMU Chapter of Greek Council
- FMU Diplomats
- FMU Gay Straight Alliance
- FMU Intramural Student Advisory Board
- Habitat for Humanity
- InterVarsity
- Japan Club
- Military Veterans Student Association (MVSA)
- Minority Nurses Association
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People FMU Chapter (NAACP)
- Praise in Motion Dance Ministry
- Project Dance
- Residential Student Association
- Riot Pep Club
- Snow Island Review
- Spirit Writers
- Student Alumni Association
- Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)
- Student Nursing Association
- Student Volunteer Movement
- Student Nurses Association
- T.A.O.C.A.T.N.A.
- The Green Club
- The Patriot Players
- The RIOT Pep Club
- Young, Gifted, and Blessed Chorus

Additional information about all of these organizations, as well as how to initiate new organizations and activities, is available in the FMU Student Handbook, www.fmarion.edu/students/handbook.

UNIVERSITY PROGRAMMING BOARD (UPB)

The University Programming Board (UPB) is responsible for providing a

variety of events throughout the year for the student body of FMU. UPB is comprised of student volunteers and advised by the Student Affairs Office. Past events include concerts, performances by comedians, dances, educational programs, holiday activities, festivals, and homecoming. Additionally, UPB partners with other student organizations and academic departments to provide a variety of programs for the FMU campus. All activities are open to FMU students, faculty, and staff members. UPB meets bimonthly during the academic year and encourages all students to get involved.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Student Affairs Office sponsors a number of special events throughout the academic year, including the Leadership FMU Program, Freshman Focus, the Student Involvement Fairs, the Ms. FMU Pageant, the Student Life Awards, and the Student Leadership Conference.

CAMPUS RECREATION SERVICES

The mission of Campus Recreation Services, located in Smith University Center, Room 214 is to enhance participants' fitness and wellness, knowledge, personal skills, and enjoyment by providing opportunities for a variety of activities that may contribute to individual physical fitness and wellness, opportunities for cooperative and competitive play activity in game and non-game form, and access to quality facilities, equipment, and programs.

Operating under the University's Department of Athletics, the Campus Recreation program has a variety of programming options and is open to all students, faculty, and staff. The Intramural Program provides an extensive competitive sports program for men and women designed to offer a wide range of activities to meet the needs and desires of the majority of the students. Competition has been organized in several sports ranging from basketball and flag football to table tennis and billiards.

The Smith University Center, in partnership with Campus Recreation Services, offers a number of recreational and fitness activities for students, faculty, and staff as well as meeting space for groups and organizations. Activities available include basketball, billiards, table tennis, racquetball, swimming, a fitness center and weight room. The outdoor recreational pool is open during late spring, summer, and early fall when weather permits.

MULTICULTURAL & INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AFFAIRS

The Student Affairs Office provides leadership in the University's effort to support students, inform the campus community of the values of multiculturalism, and assist in encouraging a campus environment that is conducive to diverse student learning. The purpose of the office is to amplify the academic, social, and cultural development of students as well as plan and implement programs that facilitate opportunities for self expression and cultural harmony. Activities including lectures, forums, and cultural and social events are open to students, faculty, and staff. Within the Student Affairs Office, the Multicultural Advisory Board provides campus-wide programming and consists of faculty, students and staff.

International students, entering FMU as degree seeking or as exchange students, receive support and guidance regarding immigration documentation, curricular and optional practical training and general counseling. Addition information is available from the Student Affairs webpage or the Student Affairs Office at 843-661-1182.