



# DELTA KAPPA EPSILON

Gentlemen, Scholars & Jolly Good Fellows

## Academic Support Resource

Throughout the country college students are having to quickly transition to a fully online classroom experience. Your Organization can play an essential role in helping their members successfully adapt to this new experience. Below is a list of ideas for continuing to provide academic support to members.

### PROMOTE CAMPUS SUPPORT AND ONLINE COURSE DELIVERY RESOURCES

- Moving from in-person courses to strictly online is likely to be the biggest change for members this semester/quarter. The delivery method for course content is likely to vary from campus to campus so it is important that each member adequately understand how their campus' changes will impact them.
- The leadership of the Scholarship Chairman and the Scholarship Committee is essential during this period of transition to ensure that each member understands what is expected of them and how they can be successful.
- Organizations are encouraged to consult their campus academic success center, disability services office, campus tutorial center, and academic advising/counseling offices to identify resources provided by those offices.
- Collect online resources and contact information from these services and share them with your members.
- Encourage members to use resources as necessary and consider setting an expectation that members at least try one or more (helping break down the stigma or hesitance to ask for assistance can go a long way).
- Set Individual and Organization-Level Academic Goals
- If not already done, Organizations are encouraged to work with members to set both organization-level and individual member GPA goals through the end of the academic year.
- The Scholarship Chairman and Scholarship Committee should schedule check-ins periodically through the end of the year to track progress and assist members with meeting their goals.
- Assigning Big Brothers to check in weekly on their Little Brothers – not just those that are new members, initiates too – on how classes and life are going can ensure members are accounted for and staying connected, as well as ease the burden on the committee to try to contact everyone, especially in larger organizations.

### CREATING GOOD HABITS AND ROUTINES FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS

- With many members leaving their organization home or residence hall, in addition to the change to virtual learning, disruption to the habits and routines members have developed is expected.
- Organizations should assist members with getting back into a routine and redeveloping good habits.
- In many ways virtual learning provides flexibility and freedoms that in-person classes do not. However, members should do their best to stick to their old routines as possible.
- Members should adopt practices such as maintaining a consistent sleep schedule, setting up a home office or study location that is free of distractions, and setting quiet hours during class time and set sleep schedules.

### CONTINUE TO CELEBRATE SUCCESS

- Use the Organization's social media pages or group message to call out Brothers who do well on assignments and encourage members to brag on themselves when they complete an assignment or get a high grade.
- Continue scholar of the month/term/year awards and competitions.

