

# FRATERNITY & SORORITY LIFE

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# AWARDS 2025

The Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life is pleased to announce the 2025 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:

- o CRW Health & Safety Award: Application LINK
- o Personal Development Award: Application LINK
- o Philanthropy & Civic Engagement Award: Application LINK
- o Cultivating Community Award: Application LINK
- Chapter of the Year

# • Individual Awards: LINK to awards applications

- o IFC Member of the Year: <u>Application LINK</u>
- o MGC Member of the Year: Application LINK
- o NPHC Member of the Year: Application LINK
- o CPH Member of the Year: Application LINK
- o Advisor of the Year: Application LINK
- o New Member/ Neo of the Year: Application LINK
- o Influential Leader of the Year: Application LINK

# • Award Submission Examples

- o Health & Safety Example LINK
- o Philanthropy & Civic Engagement Example LINK

# **Chapter Application Guidelines:**

#### Each submission **must**:

- Include a written response (max 500 words) addressing the award criteria
  - 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).
- Include supporting documentation (photos, flyers, graphics, etc.) showing the program occurred
- Have occurred in the 2025 calendar year (January 1st- December 31st, 2025)
- Be in good standing with their inter/national organization, council, and Texas Tech University

# • One submission per chapter

- Each chapter gets one submission per award category
- You can submit one event that you feel is the strongest and had the greatest impact
- **OR** you can use that one submission to highlight multiple events within that category (ex: philanthropy week, multiple mental health events/ initiatives, etc.)

Each category is worth a total of ten (10) points. The submission will be evaluated using a rubric with a scale of 1 - 10. The chapter with the highest overall score will be the winner. If the

highest overall score does not meet a 7 point minimum, there will not be an overall winner for that category.

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

Chapter of the Year will be awarded to **one** (1) chapter in the FSL community. To be eligible for Chapter of the Year your chapter must apply for **all four** (4) of the chapter award categories. The chapter with the highest overall score will be the winner.

#### **Awards Timeline:**

- FSL Awards Training Video
  - All Chapter Presidents will receive a training video as well as the FSL Awards Packet in Fall 2025.
- Online Application Period
  - o October XXXth, 2025 February 1st, 2026 via Google Forms
- Deadline for Awards
  - February 1st, 2026, by 11:59pm via Google Forms (late submissions will not be accepted)
- FSL Awards Review
  - o February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026, through March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026
- FSL Awards Ceremony
  - o March 31st, 2026 (subject to change)
- FSL Awards Feedback
  - o Chapters will receive their official scores and any feedback provided by external judges in the weeks following the award ceremony

#### **Chapter Awards Overview:**

# **CRW Health & Safety Award**

- Highlight a **Health OR Safety** education programs, events, or initiatives the chapter hosted for Members, FSL Community, or the Texas Tech Community.
- Examples:
  - o Hazing Prevention
  - o Sexual Assault Education
  - o Substance Abuse

- o Mental Health/ Stress
- o Financial Safety

# **Personal Development Award**

- Highlight a **Leadership OR Member Development** programs, events, or initiatives the Chapter hosted for Members, FSL Community, or the Texas Tech Community.
- Examples:
  - o Leadership Development
  - o Member Development
  - o Personal Development
  - o Group Development

# Philanthropy & Civic Engagement Award

- Highlight a **Philanthropic OR Civic Engagement** programs, events, or initiatives the Chapter hosted for Members, FSL Community, or the Texas Tech Community.
- Examples:
  - o Philanthropy Fundraising Event
  - o Chapter/ Community Give Back
  - o Donation Drives
  - o Highway Clean Up
  - o Volunteer Opportunities

# **Cultivating Community Award**

- Highlight a **Community OR Belonging** programs, events, or initiatives the Chapter hosted for Members, FSL Community, or the Texas Tech Community.
- Examples:
  - Collaborations with other chapters
  - o Collaborations with student organizations
  - o Collaborations with Lubbock Community organizations
  - o Brotherhood/ Sisterhood programs, events, or initiatives

# Chapter of the Year

- This award **cannot** be applied for.
  - Each chapter will have an opportunity to win this award based on the following requirements:
    - Apply for all 4 of the Chapter Award categories
    - Be in good standing with the Inter/National Organization, Council, and the University

# **Individual Application Guidelines:**

#### Each submission **must**:

- Include a written response (max 500 words) addressing the award criteria
- A letter of good standing from the chapter (when applicable)
- 2.75 minimum cumulative GPA (when applicable)
- Current good standing with organization

#### 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.
- Must be at least a sophomore

#### MGC 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.
- Must be at least a sophomore

#### 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.
- Must be at least a sophomore

#### **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.

• Must be at least a sophomore

#### 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.
- Has served as an advisor for at least one (1) year
- NOT a current FSL staff member

#### New Member/ Neo of the Year

- This **New Member** has displayed a strong sense of values and leadership through their actions and has made a positive impact during their time in the community.
- Must be within first (1st) year of membership

# Influential Leader of the Year

- This award is given to an **Active Member** who displays a solid commitment to promoting unity, inclusion, and displays a strong sense of values and leadership through their actions within their Chapter, Council, and the FSL Community at Texas Tech University.
- 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) year