

**National Organization Cooperation Policy**

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**Purpose and Scope**

This policy requires national organizations who are supporting local affiliated student groups to cooperate fully and openly with the University when conducting an investigative process. Furthermore, the University policy reserves the right to withdraw the local chapter's recognition if cooperation is not achieved.

**Additional Requirements for Student Clubs and Organizations with Affiliations with National Organizations**

**Office of Student Leadership and Involvement on behalf of West Chester University of Pennsylvania**

Student organizations that have a corresponding and dependent national or international affiliation (collectively hereinafter referred to as "national organizations" or "organizations with national affiliations") are subject to this policy at West Chester University. The policy includes student organizations which are recognized or are attempting to become a registered student organization.

Student organizations and their members must comply with all West Chester University Policies, as well as local, state, and federal laws. Those that do not comply will be held accountable via the Student Code of Conduct or other applicable policies. Members of an organization who are being investigated and adjudicated for alleged violations of West

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Chester University policies are expected to fully cooperate with University officials.

Any complaint alleging that actions of a group constitute a threat to the health, safety, or welfare of its members or other individuals, or to the welfare of the University, its property, or personnel, the complaint will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct for processing under the Student Code of Conduct. The designated department responsible for oversight of a particular student group or organization, on behalf of West Chester University, has the right and responsibility to limit organizations' activities based on policy and procedural violations published by the Office of Leadership and Involvement pending an investigation.

Cooperation from a dependent national organization shall be required as follows:

- a. For any student organization with a national affiliation, there must be full cooperation between the student organization's national office and West Chester University.
- b. If full cooperation is not provided, West Chester University reserves the right to withdraw the local chapter's recognition.

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