



THE ROLE OF THE ORGANIZATION ALUMNI ADVISOR

A organization alumni advisor can be an excellent form of support. Without reciprocal support from those being advised, however, nothing will be accomplished. Therefore, it is important to emphasize the significance of an advisor to members of an organization. Together, the advisor and the organization members must strive to gain a better understanding of the relationship that exists between the organization and the institution. It is important to realize that having a committed organization alumni advisor can make a significant positive impact in all areas of organization operation.

Role of the Organization Alumni Advisor

1. To assist the organization in the promotion of scholarship generally among the members of the organization and promoting an atmosphere conducive for study conditions within the organization house.
2. To assist the organization officers, particularly the president and treasurer.
3. To advise the organization in the understanding of electing and training competent organization officers.
4. To work with the organization officers in preparing a yearly Membership Development Plan, Organization Management Plan, Organization Annual Report, and budgets and goals.
5. To speak with members who are delinquent in their financial obligations to the organization.
6. To interpret and explain alumni/ae policies and actions to the organization.
7. To express the undergraduate members' feelings to alumni policies and actions to the organization.
8. To attend a majority of organization meetings.
9. To make every effort to attend each major organization event.
10. To ensure the organization house is in proper condition.
11. To attend national and regional meetings.
12. To give assistance and advice in Self-Selection planning and membership education functions.
13. To be familiar with, and advise the organization on, the esoteric ("Ritual") work.
14. To keep current with College policies in general and, in particular, those pertaining to Patterson Court organizations.
15. To discuss individual problems with members and try to give personal guidance.
16. To be an active participant in alumni groups.
17. To be familiar with the inter/national rules and regulations, where applicable
18. To assist with the implementation of a purposeful organization retreat.

Where to find a Organization Alumni Advisor

1. Inter/national or Regional Headquarters.
2. Campus Advisors

3. Housing corporations.
4. Alumni.
5. Other local organizations.
6. Use of a newsletter.

How do you know if the person is a “good fit?”

1. Can the person be depended upon for close and prompt cooperation?
2. Is the person on good terms with the members of the organization?
3. Does the person have a healthy view of the organization and the Patterson system in general?
4. Does the person work well with college students?
5. Does the person have enough time to commit to the organization?
6. Is the person fair-minded?
7. Is the person in good standing with the College administrators, the local organization, the inter/national organization, the alumni, and the faculty?

Possible ways to honor the Organization Alumni Advisor

1. Nominate him/her for an inter/national award.
2. Nominate him/her for a campus award.
3. Nominate him/her for a community service award.
4. Invite advisor to all organization events.