The Purpose of New Member Education:

The purpose of the new member education program is to develop new members and introduce them to the William Paterson University Greek community. Each workshop is designed to teach the fundamentals of being an effective member of your fraternity or sorority, so that the chapter might flourish and benefit the WP community. The program will cover several areas and topics such as: hazing prevention, bystander intervention, academic excellence, campus involvement & leadership, philanthropy, and civic engagement.

The Objectives of the New Member Education Program are:

• To instill the values of teamwork, academic achievement, civic engagement, responsibility and leadership.

• To educate new members about the Greek Pillars of Arete standards of excellence.

• To ensure that new members understand the University and CASL standards and polices as it relates to Greek Life.

• To educate members about the broader Greek community (different organizations & councils) at WP.

• To encourage individual leadership development and personal growth.

• To foster a positive, engaging and supportive relationship between the Office of Campus Activities, Service & Leadership (CASL) and new members.
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Requirements for Completion:
All prospective new members will be REQUIRED to attend and complete ALL of the following workshops prior to their induction/initiation into their fraternity or sorority. Failure to complete these workshops will result in the immediate notification of the regional/national offices to inform them of the prospective’s ineligibility to continue their new member process.

Workshop # 1: Anti-Hazing – As stated in the WP Student Conduct Code and the NJ law, any form of hazing is not permitted within a new member process. This workshop will provide in-depth definitions about hazing and how to prevent it.

- Monday, September 30th – 7pm-8:30pm – Ballroom BC
- Thursday, October 1st – 12:30-2pm – UC 168 A/B

Workshop # 2: Bystander Intervention – Bystander intervention involves developing the awareness, skills and courage needed to intervene in a situation where another individual needs help. This workshop will focus on accountability and teach you the skills you need to identify toxic situations and safely intervene.

- Thursday, October 10th – 12:30-2pm – UC 211
- Wednesday, October 16th – 6pm-7:30pm – Student Center MPR

Workshop # 3: Pillars of Arete Part 1 – Scholarship & Campus Impact are two main elements in achieving “gold status” as a Greek chapter. This workshop will highlight ways to excel academically and get involved on campus!

- Tuesday, October 22nd – 12:30-2pm – UC 211
- Thursday, October 24th – 6pm-7:30pm – UC 211

Workshop # 4: Pillars of Arete Part 2 – Servant Leadership & Civic Engagement are important aspects of Greek Life. This workshop will educate new members about civic engagement, leadership and philanthropic opportunities through CASL.

- Tuesday, November 5th – 12:30-2pm – UC 168 A/B
- Wednesday, November 13th – 6pm-7:30pm – Student Center MPR