Extracurricular Activities: Participation and Policy

1. Extracurricular activities are here defined as participation in any clubs, programs or organizations that are recognized by the University or any of its agencies for which academic credit is not received.

2. All extracurricular activities shall be open to all full-time and part-time students who have paid the appropriate student activity fees, except where the organizations are members of national bodies that have more stringent requirements.

3. Students in leadership positions are required:
   a. to maintain a minimum GPA of 2.3 throughout their term in office. Students without GPAs (first semester first-year students and transfer students) will be permitted to participate, but continuance will depend upon meeting said GPA requirements after their first term here at William Paterson University.
   b. to carry a minimum of 9 credits (undergraduate) or 6 (graduate) each semester for spring and fall (exceptions may be granted if the student is completing their final semester for graduation with the approval from the Office of Campus Activities and Student Leadership)

Notes:
   o Students who do not maintain this standard will become ineligible to continue in leadership position(s).
   o Individual organizations may require higher academic standards for their leadership positions.

4. Members of clubs and organizations are required to maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 or greater. Those students whose cumulative average falls below 2.0 will be placed on extracurricular probation.

5. Students whose cumulative GPA falls below the minimum requirement of a 2.0 are strongly encouraged to seek out campus resources including the Academic Success Center or their departmental offices to develop those skills needed to raise their academic grade point average to once again actively participate in campus activities.

6. Students whose “term” GPA falls below 2.0 for two terms consecutively will be placed on extracurricular probation.

7. Students on extracurricular probation must not participate in extracurricular activities including, but not limited to holding leadership positions, volunteering or engaging in the development and implementation of campus activities, etc.

8. Students participating in extracurricular activities that have specific required meetings must ensure that their academic schedule does not conflict. If a conflict exists, academic requirements must take priority and the student will become ineligible to continue in that extracurricular activity or leadership position.

9. The Office of Campus Activities and Student Leadership will periodically monitor student progress and take any needed action to address those students on extracurricular probation.