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I. Student Life

Student Life is coordinated by the College's Student Life Committee. The committee, whose members include students, faculty, and staff, is responsible for: 1) planning, coordinating and sponsoring campus-wide student activities; educational and cultural events; 2) assisting student clubs and organizations with resources and training; 3) coordinating events and programs of student clubs through the Club Council; and 4) allocating the student activity fee funds for programs and services that benefit students and student club activities.

Student Life events include: Welcome Back, Constitution Day, Veteran's Day, guest speakers, spelling bee, contests, special events throughout the year and Spring Fling. Student Life sponsored programs and services include: 1) support for the campus literary magazine – Milestone; 2) diploma covers for graduates; 3) refreshments for student orientation events and career workshops; and 4) student club support.

The Student Club Council elects representatives to serve on the Student Life Committee and a chairperson who serves as the student representative to the College's Board of Trustees. The council coordinates club activities and events and sponsors educational and leadership development workshops for club leaders. Contact Student Services for more information.

II. Student Organizations and Clubs

Students are encouraged to form clubs and organizations focusing on special interests or curriculum programs. Although organizations and clubs have membership requirements, no College organization or club may discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, age, disability, religion, nationality or political preference. See – 6.04.05.01 – Student Clubs and Organizations Official Recognition.

III. Student Club Council

The Student Club Council, under the direction of the Student Life Committee and the Dean of Student Services, has established requirements for forming and operating student clubs and organizations. These regulations are outlined in the Student Handbook. Student organizations must have official college recognition to use the College's facilities or to conduct activities on campus. (See Administrative Procedures 6.04.05.01 – Student Clubs and Organizations Official Recognition)

IV. National Technical Honor Society

The National Technical Honor Society is an acknowledge leader in the recognition of outstanding student achievement in workforce education. Over 1,500 schools and colleges throughout the United States and foreign countries are affiliated with NTHS.

The College Chapter of the National Technical Honor Society was chartered to recognize the achievement of full- and part-time students.

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Members are nominated by program faculty from the student population with a 3.5 or greater grade point average and who have completed 12 hours of academic course work above the 100 level. To be eligible for membership, a nominee must be enrolled as an active student in a degree, diploma, or certificate program.

Nominees must:

1. Maintain the highest standard of personal and professional conduct;
2. Strive for excellence in all aspects of education and employment;
3. Refuse to engage in or condone activities for personal gain at the expense of their fellow students, school or employer;
4. Support the mission and purpose of NTHS while working to achieve the society's objectives and goals; and
5. Fulfill their obligations as citizens of their community and country.

V. Alpha Beta Gamma International Business Honor Society – Alpha Omega Chapter

Alpha Beta Gamma International Business Honor Society is the sole business honor society for accredited junior, community and technical two year colleges. The society exists to recognize and reward academic excellence among business honor students and to recognize the contribution to learning and business of professionals in the local communities. Members of Alpha Beta Gamma are challenged to subscribe to the society's high ideals of scholarship, leadership and cooperation.

To be considered for membership, students must:

1. Be currently enrolled as a full or part-time student in a qualifying business-related associate in applied science program;
2. Have completed at least 15 hours of college-level academic credit during the previous three semesters;
3. Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher;
4. Demonstrate the ideals of scholarship, leadership, and cooperation; and
5. Be nominated by program faculty.

VI. Student Ambassadors

The College sponsors a Student Ambassador program for select individuals who demonstrate scholarship, leadership and exceptional communication skills.

Student Ambassadors assist with student orientation, conduct campus tours, and serve as hosts for College and community events. Applications are accepted during the Spring Semester for participation during the following academic year. Students meeting the criteria are interviewed, and selected students are notified during the Summer Term. The activities of the Ambassadors are coordinated by the Admissions Recruiter Director of Enrollment Management and the Director of SCC Foundation Director.

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