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**ECU Panhellenic Leadership Receive Excellence Award**

GREENVILLE (7/31/2017) – East Carolina University Panhellenic community has been recognized as a recipient of the College Panhellenic Excellence Awards along with 19 other college campuses. Awarded by the National Panhellenic Council (NPC), one of the largest advocacy organizations for women, ECU is the only North Carolina school to receive this particular award for 2016-2017.

The 20 campuses who received the Excellence Award met all seven criteria for excellence and achievement in their work to advance the sorority experience. The seven areas of criteria are:

* Recruitment
* Panhellenic Structure
* Communication with NPC area advisor
* Judicial procedures
* Panhellenic programming
* Academics
* Panhellenic community impact and relations

In 2014, ECU received the Achievement Award from NPC by meeting five or six out of the seven criteria listed above. While winning the Achievement Award is a large honor, the Award of Excellence is the largest honor and puts ECU at the top of the Panhellenic communities across the country.

The Panhellenic Council is the largest women’s organization on ECU’s campus. It is the governing body of the National Panhellenic Conference sororities at ECU and one woman from each organization is elected to serve on the Panhellenic Executive Council. They provide events and programming to help promote unity amongst its members and promote excellence in academics, community and campus involvement.

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