



Chapter Model Descriptions

Chapter models provide opportunities for chapters to plot a course for chapter health, sustainability, and success. Models are intended to be resources for chapter leaders, helping to provide direction and support for the chapter. They are not punitive and are not used to place a chapter on probation, suspension, or withdrawal. Regional Chapter Coordinators (RCCs) use models to meet chapters where they are and support their growth and development in becoming healthy and sustainable chapters, regardless of the selected model. Chapters are expected to complete a Chapter Model Agreement form each biennium. Please consult your RCC with questions about selecting a chapter model.

Initiation-Only Model

This model is designed for chapters with a very basic experience with little faculty or student involvement. The Initiation-Only Model requires a faculty counselor and two elected officers, one initiation, and one chapter meeting per year. Chapter programming is not required. Additional officers, committees, or programs are optional, and chapter reporting and participation is minimal. This model does, however, require the chapter to recruit and initiate a higher percentage of eligible students each year than other models. Chapters that choose this model will participate in only one structured conference call each year with the Regional Chapter Coordinator to discuss chapter health. Initiation-Only Model chapters can receive awards designed for their model, but will not be eligible for all the Society's award programs that recognize chapter health and success.

Standard Model

This model is designed for chapters that want a more engaged student organization experience, but may have limited resources. The Standard Model requires a faculty counselor and five elected officers. One initiation, two chapter meetings, two chapter programs, and one fund-raiser must be conducted each year. Additional officers, committees, or programs are optional. Chapters that choose this model will participate in three structured conference calls each year with the Regional Chapter Coordinator to discuss chapter health. Standard Model chapters are eligible for all the Society's award programs that recognize chapter success, including the Award for Chapter Success (ACE).

Advanced Model

This model is designed for chapters who engage members and encourage a vibrant experience. The Advanced Model requires a faculty counselor and seven elected officers. Two initiations, four chapter meetings, four chapter programs, and two fund-raisers are conducted each year. Additional officers, committees, or programming are optional. Chapters that choose this model will participate in four structured conference calls each year with the Regional Chapter Coordinator to discuss chapter health. Advanced Model chapters are eligible for all the Society's award programs that recognize chapter success, including the Award for Chapter Success (ACE). Counselors of Advanced Model chapters are eligible for additional commendation letters from KDP Headquarters.