

Beta Alpha Psi 2012-2013
Chapter Bylaws

Requirements for New Pledges:

- New pledges must maintain a minimum of a 3.25 GPA.
- Current Juniors and Seniors will be grandfathered in with a minimum GPA requirement of 3.2.
- New pledges will undergo one semester of probation before being inducted.
- During probation, new pledges must meet all of the terms of membership, cannot go on leave and must attend pledge social and upon successful completion of their pledge semester must attend their formal member induction.

Requirements for Current Members:

- Current members must maintain a minimum of a 3.2 GPA.
- Current members must attend all of our weekly meetings and may not exceed 2 unexcused absences per semester.
- Current members must attend two professional events.
- Current members must attend one BAP-sponsored community service event and complete a minimum of six community service hours per semester.
- All members will be required to participate in at least one committee during their years of membership in BAP.

Please see “Community Service/Professional Event Requirements” and “GPA requirements” below for additional specific information pertaining to membership.

Leave of Absences for Internships:

- Leave of absences may be granted to any student who has obtained an internship in the areas of accounting and/or finance. Documentation proving the internship offer and acceptance must be submitted to Beta Alpha Psi before a leave of absence can be granted.
- Members who are requesting a second consecutive leave of absence will be required to meet the community service and professional event requirements which all other members are expected to meet. More than two consecutive leave of absences will not be granted without a special meeting with Beta Alpha Psi officers.

Excused Absences:

- Excused absences will be granted in special circumstances and in the case of sickness. Beta Alpha Psi officers must be notified of special circumstances or of sickness a reasonable amount of time before a meeting commences.
- Excused absences are not granted in order to study for an exam.

Suspension:

- You will be suspended if you miss more than two club meetings or if you do not fulfill the mandatory professional events and community service requirements. If

suspended, you must remove Beta Alpha Psi from your resume. No exceptions will be made. A meeting may be scheduled if you wish to regain membership.

Community Service/Professional Event Requirements:

- All members will be required to complete a total of six community service hours per semester and must attend a minimum of one Beta Alpha Psi-sponsored community service event per semester. Up to five additional community service hours above the required six hours can be submitted to Beta Alpha Psi for points. Each hour of these additional five hours can count as one point towards the most distinguished member. No additional points will be awarded for any member who completes more than eleven hours of community service. In the event of a tie in points, total completed community service may factor into the determination of award winners.
- Everyone is required to attend two Beta Alpha Psi professional events per semester. Failure to attend these events may result in a suspension. Signing up for a BAP professional event via GabelliConnect and not attending this event will result in a two point deduction and attendance at an additional professional event. If you have signed up for an event and become aware of the fact that you will be unable to attend, you must notify Beta Alpha Psi officers at least 24 hours in advance.
- Finance majors may request that they replace BAP accounting professional events with finance events. In order to replace BAP professional events with finance-oriented events, you must e-mail your attendance at finance events to FordhamBetaAlpaPsi@gmail.com. All replacements must be pre-approved by a BAP officer or the BAP Faculty Advisor. Your attendance will be verified via a sign-in sheet at the event.

GPA Requirements:

- All new members of Beta Alpha Psi will be required to maintain the minimum GPA requirement from the time of candidacy. All current members will be held to the 3.2 GPA requirement instated at the time of their induction. If a members' GPA drops below the required GPA at the time of induction, you will be put on probation for one semester. If you have not brought up your GPA to meet the requirement by the end of the semester of probation, then you will be suspended from Beta Alpha Psi and you must remove Beta Alpha Psi from your resume.

Officer Election Process:

- Nominations forms for new officers will be made available at the first meeting of the spring semester.
- Nomination forms will be due at the third meeting of the spring semester.
- Elections will take place during the fifth meeting of the spring semester.
- All officer nominees will be required to interview with a panel of the current officers prior to the elections.
- The positions of Vice President of Members and Reporting Secretary must be held by rising juniors at time of election.

- The nominees with the most and second most votes will be awarded the positions of VP for members and Reporting Secretary respectively provided that they meet the rising junior requirement. The other open positions will be awarded based on nominee preference and number of votes.
- During voting, each nominee will be given 30 seconds to pitch themselves to the current BAP members.
- Each BAP member will have one vote per open position. Each current BAP officer's vote will be weighted 5 to 1.
- The VP of Members and the Reporting Secretary will ascend to the positions of President and Vice President respectively during their senior years assuming they fulfill their duties during the course of their first year on the Executive Board. The Faculty Advisor will retain the ability to excuse an officer from the board if they fail to uphold their basic responsibilities.
- If the Corresponding Secretary position is held by a rising junior then they will move into the position of Treasurer for their senior year.

Committees:

- All members will be required to participate in at least one committee during their years of membership in BAP.
- Committees will help develop member's leadership skills and promote more active involvement in BAP events.
- The class of 2013 will be exempt from the committee requirement due to the insufficient amount of time for everyone in the class to meet the requirement.
- Committees of up to six members will coordinate, plan and execute a networking or community service event.
- Each committee will be led by a BAP officer.