



## Sun Devil Suggestions

A successful organization not only needs committed and involved members, but also academic successful students. Below you will find some advice to get you started in promoting academic achievement in your organization.

### Step 1: Express Importance of Academics

In order to promote student academic achievement in your organization, you must speak out loud about it. Stressing the importance of academics in the introductory meetings as well as monthly gatherings will spread the importance of academic achievement. Add a little reminder in your newsletters or e-mails.

### Step 2: Provide Resources

Even if your organization is not academic-based, you can provide your members with the appropriate resources. Find students in your organization that may be suitable tutors or mentors. Research and promote the several tutoring centers in residence halls and respective colleges around campus. Provide hours, names, subjects, websites and anything that may help your member feel informed and confident about receiving the best resources.

### Step 3: Reward Your Students

It is important to reward your members with details that may create a sense of pride and accomplishment. From a verbal "Congratulations!" recognition during meetings, little gifts such as gift cards, to elaborate banquets, it is important to show your members that you care. Give them a reason to be successful in all areas of their college life!

## Resources

Call each residence hall to find out about times, dates and names of possible tutoring centers. If your members live together in a community where no tutoring services are provided, maybe its time to create one!

To learn more about Academic Achievement consider researching more about advising, assessment and other helpful information provided in these other *Best Practices*:

- *Assessment and Evaluation*
- *Group Communication*
- *Team Builders*
- *Understanding Group Dynamics*
- *Working With Your Advisor*

All these and more can be found on the Web at:  
[www.asu.edu/mu/sdic](http://www.asu.edu/mu/sdic)

## **And remember...**

Academic Achievement will not only improve the image of your organization, it will improve the capacities of your members to make decisions, have a broader knowledge of everything they do and therefore contribute in greater force to your organization.