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Outstanding Student Organizations at SDSU Recognized

BROOKINGS, S.D. – Student organizations at South Dakota State University were honored for their outstanding efforts by the South Dakota Board of Regents this week.

The student organization award winners were:

- **Award for Academic Excellence** – For the second year in a row, **Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity** earned the academic excellence award at SDSU. Sig Ep’s academic quality is guided by a fraternity-wide academic plan, which involves working with a faculty fellow to promote academics, implementation of a library study log, study area, and resources available 24 hours a day at the chapter house. The fraternity also recently raised its minimum GPA requirements and works closely with members who fall below that level. The chapter recently recorded an all-time high GPA of 3.16.
- **Award for Community Service** – **FarmHouse Fraternity** takes pride in its community involvement and service. Its 41 members have performed clean-up duties at the Harvest Festival and helped build a home with Habitat for Humanity. Members take part in the “Reading with Him” program at a local elementary school, designed to provide grade school students with positive male role models. FarmHouse also has teamed with other student organizations to sponsor fundraisers for Children’s Miracle Network, the Hunger Banquet, and Relay for Life.
- **Award for Organizational Leadership** – The **Academy of Student Pharmacists** encourages the advancement of pharmacy as a science and profession by fostering education and promoting public health and welfare. The group’s 16 committees plan many projects and activities, which affords leadership opportunities for most of its members. In the past year, the organization’s membership has risen from 200 to more than 350 members.

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Award for Academic Excellence –Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity



Award for Community Service – FarmHouse Fraternity



Award for Organizational Leadership – The Academy of Student Pharmacists