

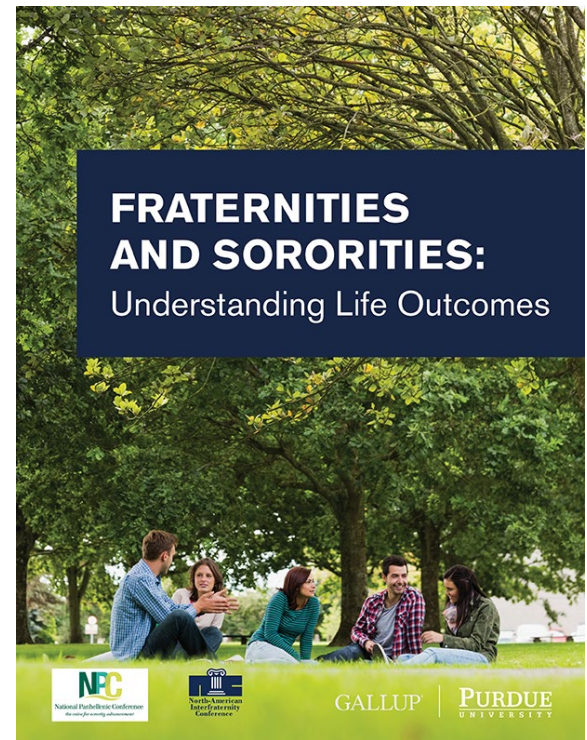
# Fraternity and Sorority Life at Middle Tennessee State University



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# Current FSL Research

- *Fraternities and Sororities: Understanding Life Outcomes* (2014 and 2021), Gallup
- *The Greek Experience Revisited: The Relationships between Fraternity/Sorority Membership and Student Engagement, Learning Outcomes, Grades, and Satisfaction with College* (2020), Pike, G.
- The results of the research indicated that fraternity and sorority members were:
  - significantly more engaged than non-members,
  - reported greater gains in learning, and
  - were more satisfied with their college experiences
  - Fraternity and sorority members are more likely than all other college graduates to be thriving in each of the five elements of well-being (purpose, social, financial, community, and physical)
  - Alumni who were members of a fraternity or sorority exhibit higher emotional attachment to their alma mater.



# Other National FSL Trends

- Lower enrollment numbers are affecting FSL chapter sizes
- Abolish Greek Life Movement
- Hazing Continues
- Data indicates that FSL members are more likely to engage in high risk behaviors (i.e. alcohol intake) than non-members
- National policies are changing to make FSL membership more accessible.



# MTSU Fraternity and Sorority Life Overview

- **24 chapters – 10 sororities and 14 fraternities**
  - Panhellenic – 6 chapters
  - NPHC – 7 chapters
  - IFC – 11 chapters
- **Shared Values:**
  - Leadership
  - Service
  - Scholarship
  - Friendship
  - Social Success/Responsibility



# MTSU Fraternity and Sorority Life Challenges

- Competing priorities for time and costs
- Students enter MTSU with more and more college credits, impacting the ability of a group to retain a member for 4 years.
- The newest classes of members seem to be more willing to engage in high-risk behaviors post-COVID.
  - Additional education and accountability measures
  - Recent Conduct Case example
- Enrollment numbers have a direct impact on FSL sizes chapter sizes and ability to fill houses.

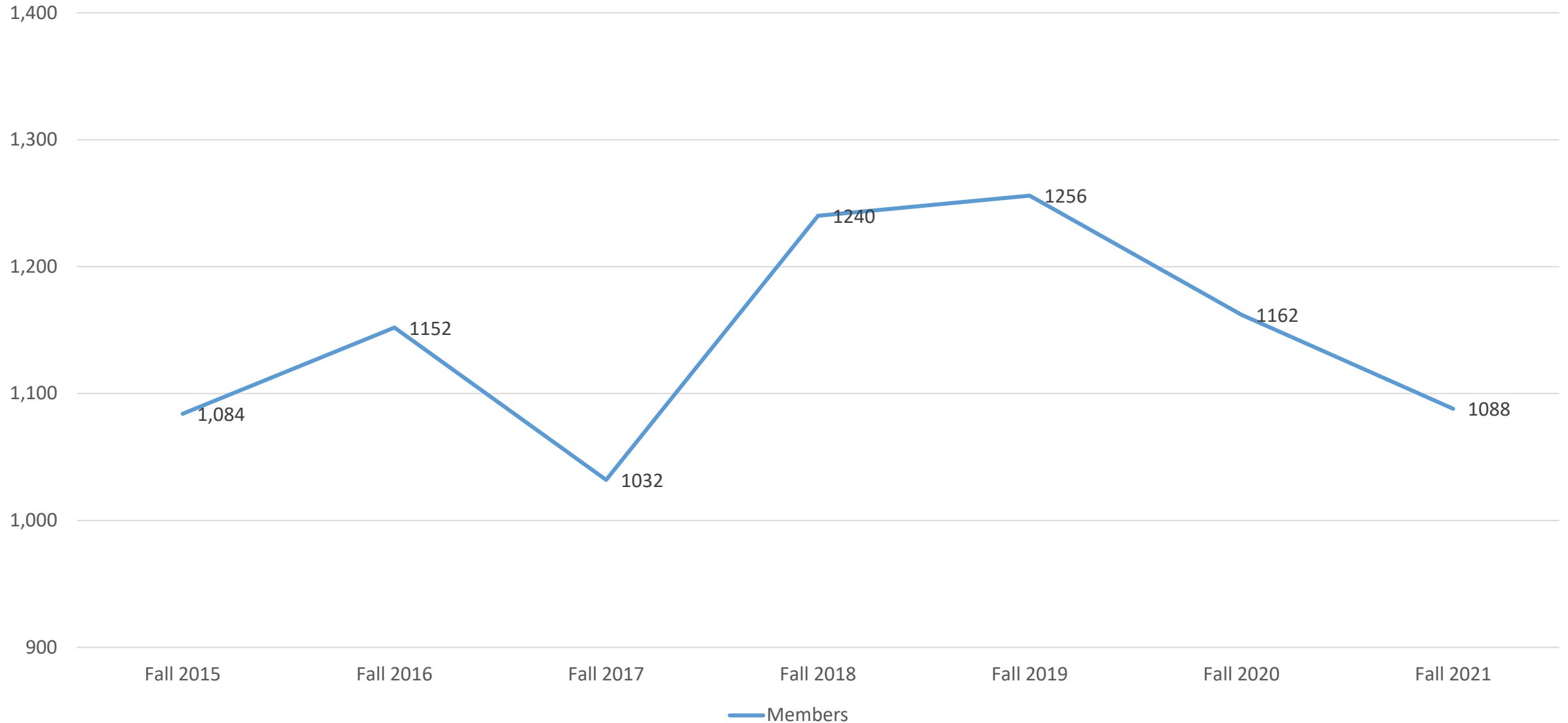


# MTSU Fraternity and Sorority Life Successes

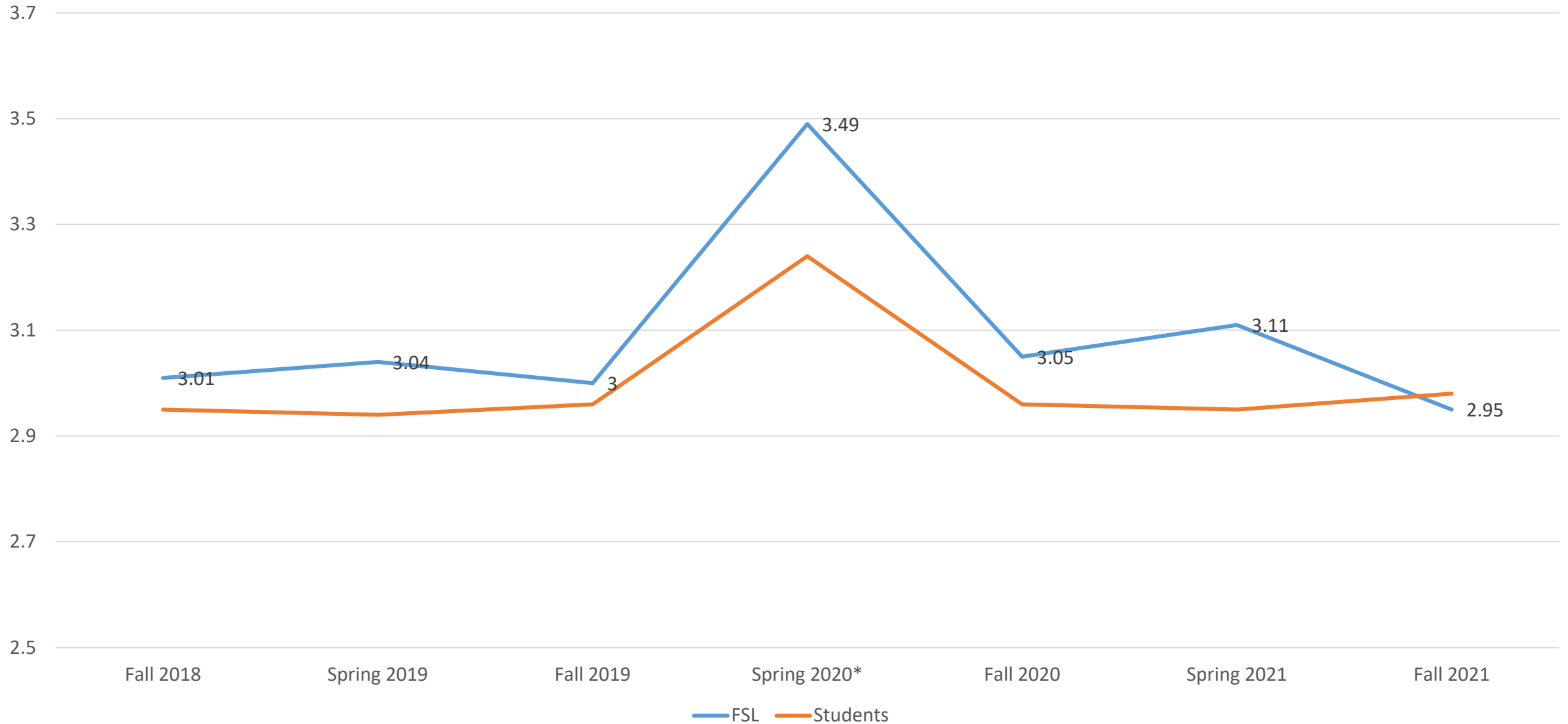
- 16% increase in membership between Fall 2015 and Fall 2019.
- Installed 10 plaques on the Student Union Commons representing the NPHC
- Sorority women continue to out pace unaffiliated women with regard to GPA. Fraternity men have done the same with the exception of the Fall 2021 semester.
- Increased focus on DEI education in 2021.
- The Office of FSL continues to be fully staffed with two full-time professionals and one part time student worker.
  - Will welcome Dominic Summerhill from the University of North Alabama, Alpha Phi Alpha alumnus, this month.



# FSL Membership Numbers 2015 - 2021



# FSL GPA 2015 - 2021





# Questions?

## Center for Student Involvement and Leadership

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