ARTICLE I
Name

The name of this chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma shall be Epsilon Upsilon, and it shall be governed by the Bylaws of Sigma Sigma Sigma and of this chapter.

ARTICLE II
Meeting

Section 1. The regular meeting of Epsilon Upsilon Chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma shall be held on Monday at 9:30 o’clock. The first meeting of the month shall be a Ceremonial Business Meeting.

Section 2. The officers shall meet in executive session at the discretion of the President. These meetings shall occur at least once a week.

Section 3. Members shall attend all scheduled meetings and functions of the chapter unless excused in advance by the President or Efficiency Chair. A member wishing to be excused shall submit an event absence form in writing or via email to Efficiency chair 24 hours prior to the event. Any unexcused absence shall prevent said member from earning points for the missed meeting or function.

Section 4. A quorum shall be necessary to conduct business. Two-thirds of the total chapter members shall constitute a quorum.

Section 5. Due to ‘noise violations” parliamentarian can call “point of order” three times prior to restarting chapter meeting.

Section 6. Officers shall be addressed by appropriate titles by each sister prior to starting business.

ARTICLE III
Dues and Fees

Section 1. Local chapter dues shall be $165 in the first (Fall) semester and $150 for the second (Spring) semester payable on or before the first meeting of the semester or the individual may set up a payment plan with the treasurer. Payment extension form must be submitted and approved by treasurer.
Section 2. At the time of pledging, a new member fee of $90 shall be collected. Of this fee, $90.00 shall be sent to National Headquarters and the remainder deposited in the chapter’s general operations fund.

Section 3. Before initiation, a local initiation fee of $100 shall be collected. $150.00 plus cost of the badge shall be sent to National Headquarters. $100 shall be deposited in the chapter’s general operations fund.

Section 4. Failure to pay dues by due date will result in submission to honor council unless proper extension form was submitted and approved by treasurer.

ARTICLE IV
Membership

Section 1. Selection of new members shall be made in accordance to the Bylaws of Sigma Sigma Sigma. “Membership in each chapter shall be determined by performance, educational achievement, and criteria related to the goals and purposes of the Sorority. Judgment shall not be made based upon other factors such as individual race, color, religion, national origin, age or disability.”

Section 2. New members shall be added in accordance with recruitment policies of NPC as adopted by this College Greek Council.

Section 3. At the time of formal recruitment, all legacies shall be invited to at least one invitational party; other potential new members whom the chapter has received voluntary alumna recommendations shall also be invited to at least one invitational party.

Section 4. A new member shall be initiated within one calendar year of the date of her acceptance of the invitation to membership.

Section 5. If, for any reason a chapter does not initiate a new member within one calendar year from the date of pledging, her pledge automatically expires. The date of expiration shall be entered in the chapter records.

Section 6. Prerequisites for any repledging are a vote of the chapter and the permission of the Executive Council of Sigma Sigma Sigma.
Section 7. The GPA requirements for members are as follow: Semester GPA of 2.7 Cumulative of 2.8. These GPAs are grandfathered and apply to New Member Classes of Spring 2009 onward.

Section 8. A member wishing to take a Little shall be in good standing with the sorority. Potential bigs cannot “fraternize” with potential little’s outside of designated new member events prior to selection. Failure to comply will result in sister being unable to take a Little from current new member class and “unsisterly conduct” submission to Honor Council.

Section 9. It is the discretion of Honor Council to determine if a sister not in good standing is unable or able to attend social events.

ARTICLE V
Elections

Section 1. Chapter officers shall be elected the first meeting in November during a Ceremonial Business Meeting; the exact date being determined by the chapter needs. (Earlier or later election requires the permission of the Collegiate Coordinator.)

Section 2. A Nominating Committee to select a slate of officers shall be elected by their academic class. This committee shall include representative from each academic class.

Section 3. Candidates shall be eligible according to the Bylaws of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

Section 4. Candidates shall be up to date on all financial dues.

Section 5. Officers’ training sessions shall be held prior to installation.

Section 6. Installation is conducted the last meeting of the Fall semester.

Section 7. Officers and Honor Council representatives must have a semester GPA of 2.9 prior to election and must be in good standing.

Section 8. Members not in good standing due to any non-academic reasons, i.e. unsisterly conduct, failure to pay dues, etc., will be unable to vote
ARTICLE VI
Officers and Chairman

Section 1. The elected officers of the chapter shall be President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership/Recruitment Director, and Education Director.

Section 2. The duties of the officers shall be explained in the Chapter Officers’ manuals and the Bylaws of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

Section 3. The President shall appoint chairmen such as: Inter Greek Council Representative, Foundation/RPM, The Triangle Correspondent, Music, Public Relations, Ritual, Parliamentarian, Alumnae Relations, Efficiency, Risk Management Chairman, Awards Chairman, and others necessary for chapter operations.

Section 4. All officers shall maintain a GPA of at least 2.8.

Section 5. All members of Honor Council shall maintain a GPA of at least 2.8.

ARTICLE VII
Chapter Operations

Section 1. Wednesday members wear letters.

Section 2. Dress for Ceremonial Business Meetings will be Badge Attire.

Section 3. Badge Attire is defined as business/interview attire: no: jeans, flip-flops, UGGS or the like, leggings, etc.

Section 4. The sorority shall take part in Freshman Move-in each fall. It is the responsibility of the President to organize this event. All Monday raised will be sent directly to Nationals for donation to the Foundation. Any member not obtaining an excused absence in advance will pay $25 to the Sorority, or the per capita amount owed to the Foundation, whichever is greater.

Section 5. Minimum of 15 girls must be in attendance to freshman move-in; any non-participants must pay $25 at the first official meeting of the school year, failure to comply will lead to submission to Honor Council.

Section 6. All standing committees must provide two monthly reports
ARTICLE VIII

Efficiency

Section 1. Each individual member is expected to obtain 85% efficiency monthly to be considered a member in good standing.

Section 2. An event must be announced 2 weeks prior to the date. If it is not, bonus points will be awarded for that event.

Section 3. If a member misses more than 25% of an event or function without prior approval, only half points will be given.

Section 4. The following is the point system that the Epsilon Upsilon Chapter will follow.

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Section 5. The Adopt-a-Highway philanthropic event shall be worth fifteen (15) points. Due to its short duration any member arriving ten (10) minutes late shall be awarded half points.

Section 6. Acceptable excuses are medical, class, personal or family emergencies/situations, and other club meeting
Section 7. If a sister is ten minutes late to an event, she will receive half efficiency points.

ARTICLE VIII
Amendments

Section 1. Submission for bylaws revision is due the second chapter meeting of the fall semester as well as the reading of the current bylaws and the proposed revisions.

Section 2. These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the entire collegiate chapter membership in good standing.

Section 3. A copy of the Bylaws as accepted by the chapter shall be sent to the National Headquarters following Convention. Copies shall be placed in the manuals of all officers, and attached to a current copy of the *Bylaws of Sigma Sigma Sigma* filed in the chapter chest.

Section 4. Amendments as accepted by the chapter are sent yearly by November 1 to Nation Headquarters.

NOTE: A chapter may have additional sections, if the chapter has a house, lodge, etc., and include special subjects that refer to only that chapter. If additional sections will be included, it is necessary to change the Amendments’ section to the last section and number it as such. Do not put anything in the Bylaws that is contrary to the *Bylaws of Sigma Sigma Sigma* and do not include articles or sections that contradict later in another article or section. Refer to the *Bylaws of Sigma Sigma Sigma* frequently as the bylaws are composed. Write to Collegiate Coordinator any questions.

ARTICLE IX
Hazing

Section 1. New York Law and Marist College policy prohibit hazing. New York State penal law provides as follows:

*S 120.16 Hazing in the first degree.*

A person is guilty of hazing in the first degree when, in the course of another person’s initiation into or affiliation with any
Organization, he intentionally or recklessly engages in conduct which
creates a substantial risk of physical injury to such other person or a
third person and thereby causes such injury. Hazing in the first
degree is a class a misdemeanor. (Note: Punishable by up to one (1)
year imprisonment, or fine up to $1,000 or both.)

S 120.17 Hazing in the second degree.
A person is guilty of hazing in the second degree when, in the course
of another person's initiation or affiliation with any organization, he
intentionally or recklessly engages in conduct which creates a
substantial risk of physical injury to such other person or a third
person. Hazing in the second degree is a violation. (Note: Punishable
by up to 15 days imprisonment, or fine up to $250 or both.)

Section 2. Marist College considers hazing as any action or situation created by
an individual, group, organization, or team intentionally or
unintentionally, whether on or off College premises, to produce
mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, ridicule,
or in any way demean the dignity of another human being. The
planning or preparation to engage in hazing activity is also a violation
of this policy. The expressed or implied consent of the participants
will not be a defense.

Section 3. Examples may include, but are not limited to the following: forced
consumption of beverages including but not limited to alcohol, water,
milk; paddling in any form; creation of excess fatigue; "kidnapping";
physical and/or psychological shock; engaging in public stunts;
morally degrading or humiliating games; wearing signs with
inappropriate language/slogans; shaving of heads or forcing or
requesting a particular hair cut; or any other activities or behavior
inconsistent with the law and/or College policies. No individual or
group may haze another individual group at any time. Including initiation into or the affiliation with any organization, group, or team. The *Bylaws of Sigma Sigma* includes, “late work sessions which interfere with scholastic activities; interference with regular class attendance or study time”, as acts of hazing.

Section 4. Hazing does not build strong organizations, groups, teams, or traditions. Rather, it is a means of abuse and humiliation. Therefore, hazing of any kind is strictly prohibited by the College and subject to disciplinary action.