

FRESHMAN SERVICE POINTS

DUNCAN COLLEGE

Duncan College Article: Freshmen Service Points

1. FRESHMEN CLASSIFICATION

- (1) For the purposes of freshmen service points, freshmen shall be defined as students who matriculated Rice in the fall semester of that academic year without having completed a freshmen year at another university or college.
- (2) A student will also be given freshmen status if they matriculated Rice in the fall of the academic year in question and they plan to complete four years at Rice.

2. ACCEPTABLE SERVICE POINT OPPORTUNITIES

- (1) In order for service points to be awarded the opportunity must have been made equally available to all freshmen.
- (2) No committee may preference to its own members or any group when offering points.
- (3) Freshmen service points may not be awarded for any opportunity that involved any selection process other than first come first served.
- (4) Service points must directly benefit Duncan College. Service to the greater Rice, Houston, American, or worldwide communities is encouraged but will not be counted for freshmen service points.
- (5) All service points must be announced to the college, approved by the VP in charge of the committee or representative, and approved by the LVP at least a month before the date of the opportunity.
- (6) The college must offer a variety of service point opportunities. These opportunities must include some that are not related to alcohol and some that are offered during the daytime. Failure to seize these opportunities will not be regarded as an excuse for failure to meet the quotas.

3. ESTABLISHING THE POINT QUOTAS

- (1) There are two quotas for service points. The first quota is called the On-Campus Quota, the second is called the Freshman Point Quota.
- (2) The On-Campus Quota will be approximately half of the Freshman Point Quota.
- (3) In collaboration with the VPs and committee heads, the LVP shall establish the point quotas for that year before the second week of classes of the academic year in question.

- (4) The quotas must be designed so that there is ample opportunity for all freshmen to fulfill the Freshman Point Quota

4. REGISTERING FOR SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- (1) The registration for all service opportunities must be made available to the college at least a week before the event. This can be overridden in extreme cases by the Legislative Vice President
- (2) In the event that a student registers for a service opportunity and then fails to satisfactorily complete that service (at the discretion of the party offering the opportunity) they will lose the same number of points they otherwise would have gained. It is therefore possible to have negative points.
- (3) If a student needs to cancel their registration for a service point opportunity they must do so at least 72 hours before their assigned time.

5. FAILURE TO MEET THE ON-CAMPUS QUOTA

- (1) In the event that a student fails to meet the On-Campus Quota they will not receive on-campus housing their Sophomore year.
- (2) Failure to meet the On-Campus Quota will not negate any other bump-exempt status.

6. FAILURE TO MEET THE FRESHMAN POINT QUOTA

- (1) A student may never go into room draw with more than zero points if they have not completed their freshman service points.
- (2) If a student fails to meet their Freshman Point Quota during their freshmen year, they may complete those points in any subsequent year to regain their seniority housing status.
- (3) As soon as a student fulfills their Freshman Point Quota they will go into all future rounds of room draw with the number of points listed below.
 - Anyone below the Freshman Point Quota = 0
 - Rising Sophomore = 1
 - Rising Junior = 2
 - Rising Senior = 3