



Lehigh University Anti-Hazing Compliance Form

All Lehigh University fraternities and sororities must file this Form with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs (OFSA) to certify compliance with the Lehigh University Hazing Policy and Pennsylvania state law. This form will remain in effect until a new one is filed with OFSA at the beginning of each academic year.

Lehigh University Hazing Policy

Hazing is any action taken or situation created, whether on or off campus, to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, or ridicule. Hazing includes but is not limited to any brutality of a physical nature, such as paddling, whipping, beating, branding, forced calisthenics, exposure to the elements, forced consumption of any food, liquor, drug or other substance, or any other forced physical activity that would subject the individual to physical harm or mental stress, such as sleep deprivation, forced exclusion from social contact, forced conduct which could result in extreme embarrassment, or any other forced activity which would adversely affect the mental health or dignity of the individual. Among prohibited activities are forced or coerced activities which create excessive fatigue; cause physical and psychological shocks; involve kidnapping; involve morally questionable quests, treasure hunts, scavenger hunts, or any other such activities; involve publicly wearing apparel that is conspicuous and not normally in good taste; cause students to engage in public stunts and buffoonery, morally degrading or humiliating games and activities, or late night activities which interfere with scholastic activities. Also prohibited are any activities that are in violation of federal, state, or local laws, the Lehigh University Code of Conduct, or accepted standards of good taste or propriety. For purposes of this definition, any activity described in this paragraph upon which the admission into or affiliation with an organization is directly or indirectly conditioned shall be presumed to be "forced or coerced" activity, the willingness of an individual to participate in such activity notwithstanding.

Requirements

Each fraternity and sorority must abide by the Lehigh University Hazing Policy. In addition, the University expects, among other things, that:

- All fraternity and sorority new member programs will last no longer than 6 weeks
- All new member activities, including initiation, will be alcohol-free
- All new members will be informed of their rights and of any activities in which they are expected to participate from the beginning of the new member period
- All new member programs and any changes to the programs will be approved by OFSA

Fraternity/Sorority Anti-Hazing Agreement

We, the undersigned, certify that:

- ✓ We have read AND understand Lehigh University's Hazing Policy
- ✓ We have read AND understand our National Organization's Hazing Policy
- ✓ We have read this form to our entire chapter and all members' signatures are attached
- ✓ We will provide all new members with a copy of this Policy
- ✓ We will ensure that all activities sponsored or required by our chapter, in whole or in part, comply with Lehigh University's Hazing Policy

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