

Act 80 of 2018 Report¹

Drexel University

July 16, 2024

(Reports from January 2014 through July 2024)

Incident Number	Subject of Report	Report Date ²	Description	Date of Resolution
201600219	Academic Fraternity	11/3/2016	<p>During the Fraternity's fall 2016 new member education program, prohibited behaviors included degrading or humiliating games or activities, line-ups and/or berating, and sleep and/or food deprivation.</p> <p>The group was found in violation of the university policy prohibitions on hazing.</p> <p>Sanctions from the university — 2 year deferred suspension, Bystander Intervention Education, New Member Education Review.</p> <p>Sanctions from the National Organization — Membership review, consideration for deferred recruitment, other educational trainings and programs including leadership development for the chapter officers.</p>	June 15, 2017
201600344	Sorority and 2 officers of the sorority	12/20/2016	<p>In the organization's fall 2016 new member education process, prohibited behaviors included instances of line-ups, yelling and degrading games/performances.</p> <p>The group was found in violation of the university policy prohibitions on hazing.</p> <p>The 2 officers were found in violation of the university policy prohibitions on hazing.</p> <p>Sanction for the group — 5 year suspension of recognition.</p> <p>Sanctions for the officers included permanent deferred suspension and written reflection papers.</p>	April 21, 2017

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² Reports include any information provided to a University administrator that, based on the allegations, may constitute hazing under University policy, federal, or state law.

201600368	Fraternity	1/26/2017	<p>In the organization's fall 2016 new member education program, prohibited behaviors included instances of forced food consumption, and forced calisthenics.</p> <p>The group was found in violation of the university policy prohibitions on hazing.</p> <p>2 members were found in violation of the university policy prohibitions on hazing.</p> <p>Sanctions for the group — 1 year disciplinary probation.</p> <p>Sanctions for the members included 1 year disciplinary probation and written reflection papers.</p>	June 15, 2017
201700288	Fraternity	10/23/2017	<p>During the fall 2017 new member education process, a report was made that new members were seeking out free condoms to add to kits that were kept by brothers of the organization. Upon investigation, these kits were made and kept by all members of the organization and new members were not treated differently.</p> <p>Neither the contents of the kits nor the recommendation that the kits be used by all members were violative of the University's antihazing policy, or other University policies, therefore, the organization was not found responsible for violating the hazing policy.</p>	January 9, 2018
201701064	Academic Fraternity	4/6/2018	<p>It was determined that in the fall 2017 new member education process instances of line-ups, quizzes, a dress code, forced lock-in, and a fundraising requirement occurred.</p> <p>Sanction included 5 year suspension.</p>	August 9, 2018
201800186	Sorority	10/13/2018	<p>During the organization's fall 2018 new member education process, a report was received that a new member was transported to the hospital due to intoxication following an informal gathering of group members at a different group's house. The fraternity encouraged alcohol consumption and attendance at the gathering for new members.</p> <p>The group was found in violation of the university policy prohibitions on hazing.</p> <p>Sanctions for the group —alcohol education for all members, fine, 2 year deferred suspension of recognition, 1 year social suspension, 1 year loss of recruitment privileges, audit and review of the new member education process, and implementing two educational programs for the Greek community related to alcohol and hazing.</p>	January 15, 2019
201801570	Fraternity	Summer 2018	<p>During the summer of 2018, individuals of the chapter at the University of Maryland were hazed by individuals belonging to the Drexel University chapter. For approximately 6 weeks, individuals from the University of Maryland traveled to Philadelphia to engage in the new member education process as executed by students or alumni of Drexel University.</p>	September 24, 2019

			<p>The behaviors described included things such as sleep deprivation, extensive calisthenics (referred to as "PT" or Physical Training), forced food consumption ("eating events"), scavenger hunts or runs throughout Philadelphia, and reference to a "hell week".</p> <p>Sanctions included suspension of recognition for 3 years, as well as an educational sanction which must be completed prior to the group's return to campus.</p>	
201900254	Fraternity	Fall 2019	<p>The behaviors described included new members being forced to attend parties, clean up after parties, and to verbally share information about sexual encounters.</p> <p>Sanctions included disciplinary probation for 2 terms, deferred social suspension for 1 term, and an educational sanction of implementing a hazing prevention program.</p>	January 9, 2020
201900988	Sorority	Winter 2020	<p>The behaviors described included new members being forced to plan parties, and to drink. New members' phones were also taken from them during a particular event.</p> <p>Sanctions included 5 year suspension.</p>	March 17, 2020
2020046804	Fraternity	Spring 2021	<p>The behaviors described included new members being forced to clean members' houses to earn signatures. Also, there were allegations of forced drinking that were largely unconfirmed.</p> <p>Sanctions included deferred social suspension for 4 terms, deferred suspension of recognition for 3 terms, a fine, and an educational meeting between org. leadership and Student Conduct.</p>	April 26, 2021
2021001301	Fraternity	Summer 2021	<p>The behavior described included new members being forced to wear a uniform, perform acts of service (cleaning, buying food), paddling, and performing physical activities. The report was submitted about acts from a previous term from a non-member.</p> <p>Upon performing an investigation with members from that term, no information was collected to verify the allegations made in the report. Allegations were withdrawn for this group.</p>	November 23, 2021
2021022410	Athletic Team	Fall 2021	<p>The behaviors described in the report included new team members being forced to attend an "initiation" event that involved wearing a uniform, performing training exercises, and consuming alcohol.</p> <p>Sanctions included a 7-week suspension of activity, deferred suspension for 7 terms, individual reflection papers, and a team reflection. Two individuals were charged with hazing in this case, but allegations were withdrawn as the conduct process revealed that the incident was more organizational than individual.</p>	October 29, 2021

2021147901	Fraternity	Spring 2022	<p>The behaviors described included students being lined up, with their backs against the basement wall and knees slightly bent.</p> <p>Upon performing an investigation, no information was collected to support a hazing allegation.</p>	April 22, 2022
2022026401	Fraternity	Fall 2022	<p>The behaviors described included forced alcohol consumption, forced drug usage, a required camping trip, and physical violence.</p> <p>The organization was placed on interim social suspension while an investigation was performed. Upon performing an investigation, the preponderance of evidence could not be met to support a hazing allegation, but other Code of Conduct allegations were assigned to the group based on specific behaviors described.</p>	November 4, 2022
2022089801	Fraternity	Winter 2023	<p>The behaviors alleged were locking new members in a room, blindfolding, "mental games," and "assault."</p> <p>Submitted report was anonymous and non-specific. There were no other reports or information to support the allegations. Student Conduct & Care met with the President to review report and reinforce hazing policies. Report was also shared with organization's headquarters.</p>	February 27, 2023
2022145501	Sorority	Spring 2023	<p>The behaviors alleged were "mental abuse" including "degrading screaming and cursing."</p> <p>Submitted was anonymous from an alleged parent and was non-specific. There were no other reports or information to support the allegations. Student Conduct & Care shared the allegations with the organization headquarters and advisor.</p>	April 28, 2023
2023032702	Fraternity	Fall 2023	<p>The behaviors alleged were a scavenger hunt, planned stripping routine, and referring to an active member as "master."</p> <p>During a pre-liminary inquiry, Student Conduct & Care spoke with the organization president and member allegedly referred to as "master" who could not provide any information to support the allegation. The reported "master" also did not have any role directly related to the new member process in the organization. There were no other reports or information to support the allegations. Student Conduct & Care shared the allegations with the organization headquarters.</p>	November 8, 2023

2023036409	Sorority	Fall 2023	<p>The behaviors alleged were forced participation in events, forced drinking, and forced drinking games.</p> <p>The organization was placed on an Interim Suspension of Operations while an investigation was performed. An investigation was performed in collaboration with the organization's headquarters. Upon performing an investigation, the preponderance of evidence could not be met to support a hazing allegation, but other Code of Conduct allegations were assigned to the group based on specific behaviors described.</p>	December 3, 2023
2023065201	Sorority	Fall 2023	<p>The organization self-reported concerns that new members left the organization and told their parents that there was hazing. The organization wanted to evaluate some of their practices and activities with Student Conduct & Care to see if there were any concerns. Student Conduct & Care met with the President and New Member Educator and did not believe that there were any apparent hazing concerns with the organization.</p>	December 6, 2023