

Hazing

Hazing is defined as any action taken or situation created, either intentionally or recklessly, that causes or has the potential to cause physical or psychological or possible physical harm or injury as a requirement for belonging to the group.

University Policy Against Hazing:

The University Board of Trustees has adopted a policy that prohibits hazing by all organizations regardless of their official recognition by the University. In accordance with existing institutional policy, individual members of the organization may be required to appear before a University Judicial Board and may be found in violation of the University Behavioral Standards and Policies.

Notifications and/or Agreement Pertaining to Organizations and Athletic Teams

All organizations regardless of official recognition are required to abide by the anti-hazing policy. Athletic teams (including intramural teams) are also bound by this policy. All organization officers including athletic team captains are required to read and sign the anti-hazing policy as an acknowledgement that they have read and agree to abide by the anti-hazing policy.

Likewise, all pledges, initiates, candidates, and new members will be required to sign an acknowledgement that they have read and agree to abide by the Anti-Hazing Policy. The policy including signature lines will be approved by SORC.

Preventive Measures Regarding Hazing:

Education: The Office of Student Development and Leadership and the Director of Athletics will assist in the provision of educational programs for organizations and athletic teams.

Prevention of hazing includes the following: The Office of Student Development and Leadership will provide educational programs for organizations and athletic teams. Examples of educational programs include but are not limited to: Student Leadership Series; Orientation and orientation seminars; orientation for new and returning members and organization meetings.

Role of Moderator:

Moderators are expected to read the anti-hazing policy and sign as an acknowledgement that they agree to assist in the enforcement of this policy.

Enforcement:

The following entities are charged with enforcement of the anti-hazing policy:

University Judicial System (*Student Handbook*)

Hazing situations include but are not limited to the following:

- Paddling in any form;
- Hazing in any form;
- Branding in any form of humiliation;
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meals;

- Morally degrading games or humiliating activities;
 - Excessive drinking and/or drug use, including performance;
 - Unethical behavior, including:
 - Forced binge consumption of alcohol; and
 - Activities which violate University policies or codes of conduct as set forth in the University's *Student Handbook*.
- Prerequisite to buying tickets to sporting events is that you must be a full-time student.

Use of Cane, Stick or Daddies

The Dean of Student Services or designate must approve the use of canes/sticks/daddies at all times.

1. The use of canes/sticks/daddies in a negative or threatening manner will result in a judicial referral, an organizational review or action up to and including police involvement. Involved individuals may be disciplined in accordance with procedures outlined in this manual.
2. Canes/sticks/daddies may only be used in a sporting event in a designated area designated by SORC until needed.

Should the Office of Student Services become aware of hazing by any organization, that organization jeopardizes its status as a recognized organization of Lewis University. The organization may be disciplined in accordance with procedures outlined in this manual. The Office of Student Services

Kidnapping

Kidnapping is prohibited and there is zero tolerance for this activity. Kidnapping is potentially

I, _____, a student who is part of an organization at Lewis University, I understand the responsibilities associated with being a member of any organization at Lewis University and agree to abide by all of the above expectations.

Name of the Student _____

Student ID _____ GPA _____

Signature _____