

Campus Hazing Transparency Report

In accordance with the Stop Campus Hazing Act, First Institute provides this report of past hazing misconduct involving student clubs and organizations. The information in this report includes:

- the name of the student organization;
- a general description of the violation that resulted in a finding of responsibility, including whether drugs and/or alcohol were involved;
- key dates including when the incident was alleged to have occurred, when the investigation of the incident was initiated, when the investigation ended with a finding that a hazing violation occurred, and when the university provided notice to the student organization; and
- the sanctions that were imposed.

This report is updated biannually.

Additional information is available within our Campus Safety Reports and First Institute's Anti-Hazing Policy is available on our website within the Consumer Disclosures. *Students may request to receive printed copies of these documents at any point within their enrollment.*

The Definition of Hazing

Under the Higher Education Act of 1965, hazing means any intentional, knowing, or reckless act committed by a person (whether individually or in concert with other persons) against another person or persons regardless of the willingness of such other person or persons to participate, that-

- is committed in the course of an initiation into, an affiliation with, or the maintenance of membership in, a student organization; and
- causes or creates a risk, above the reasonable risk encountered in the course of participation in the institution of higher education or the organization (such as the physical preparation necessary for participation in an athletic team), of physical or psychological injury including-
 - whipping, beating, striking, electronic shocking, placing of a harmful substance on someone's body, or similar activity;
 - causing, coercing, or otherwise inducing sleep deprivation, exposure to the elements, confinement in a small space, extreme calisthenics, or other similar activity;

- o causing, coercing, or otherwise inducing another person to consume food, liquid, alcohol, drugs, or other substances;
- o causing, coercing or otherwise inducing another person to perform sexual acts;
- o any activity that places another person in reasonable fear of bodily harm through the use of threatening words or conduct;
- o any activity against another person that includes a criminal violation of local, State, Tribal, or Federal law; and
- o any activity that induces, causes, or requires another person to perform a duty or task that involves a criminal violation of local, State, Tribal, or Federal law.

The Definition of Student Organization

A student organization is defined as an organization at an institution of higher education (such as a club, society, association, varsity or junior varsity athletic team, club sports team, fraternity, sorority, band, or student government) in which two or more of the members are students enrolled at the institution of higher education, whether or not the organization is established or recognized by the institution.

For the purposes of the Campus Hazing Transparency Report, only organizations that are established or recognized by First Institute that have been found to be in violation of the university's standards of conduct related to hazing are included in this report.

Illinois Anti-Hazing Law

§ 720 ILCS 5/12C-50. Hazing

(a) A person commits hazing when he or she knowingly requires the performance of any act by a student or other person in a school, college, university, or other educational institution of this State, for the purpose of induction or admission into any group, organization, or society associated or connected with that institution, if:

(1) the act is not sanctioned or authorized by that educational institution; and

(2) the act results in bodily harm to any person.

(b) Sentence. Hazing is a Class A misdemeanor, except that hazing that results in death or great bodily harm is a Class 4 felony.



2026-2027 Academic Year

No students, clubs or organizations were found responsible for hazing activities during the 2026 reporting period (January – June 2026).