The Pennsylvania State University Antihazing Report

Time Period Covered: January 1, 2019 to December 21, 2023

This report is published in accordance with Act 80 of 2018, the Timothy J. Piazza Antihazing Law, 18 Pa.C.S. § 2809 et seq.

This report covers all campuses of the University. Certain University campuses are not identified in the chart below because they reported no hazing violations for this time period.

Campus	Date Charged	Date Resolved	Description	Sanction(s):		
	2019					
University Park	12/20/2018	1/7/2019	SIGMA PHI EPSILON – New members were required to repeatedly perform acts of servitude for members.	The organization accepted responsibility, was placed on conduct probation for a year, and was required to complete several educational sanctions, including monthly case manager meetings with accompanying audits of the fraternity's progress, a hazing presentation, and random interviews of their new members.		
University Park	2/27/2019	3/4/2019	ALPHA KAPPA DELTA PHI – During the initiation process, potential new members were blindfolded, lined up, and verbally quizzed for extended periods of time. When new members did not answer questions correctly, they were required to perform physical exercises.	The organization accepted responsibility, was placed on conduct probation for two years, and was required to complete several educational requirements, including anti-hazing education, were required to engage in a membership review, to revise their recruitment plan, and to engage in follow up meetings with the Office of Student Conduct case manager.		

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University Park	3/21/2019	3/26/2019	PI DELTA PSI — As part of the recruitment and new member processes, the chapter provided alcohol to underage potential new members and new members. New members were also required to cut their hair identically to other new members.	The organization accepted responsibility, was placed on conduct probation for two years, and is required to participate in education related to alcohol, hazing, and University policies and expectations. Also, the organization is restricted from hosting social events, with or without alcohol, on or off campus, through the spring semester of 2020.
University Park	4/30/2019	5/3/2019	STUDENT ATHLETIC TRAINERS' CLUB — At the organization's big/little reveal night, members pressured new members to consume alcohol as part of new member activities and games.	The organization accepted responsibility, was placed on probation for two years, and is required to complete education, including alcohol education, a student conduct presentation, and a bystander intervention presentation. The president of the organization is also required to meet with the Office of Student Conduct case manager for follow-up.
University Park	5/17/2019	6/18/2019	LAMBDA PHI EPSILON – New members were required to go hiking late into the night, were blindfolded, and were forced to sing while being yelled at.	The organization accepted responsibility and was suspended for four years by its international fraternity. The University upheld the suspension.
University Park	11/14/2019	11/14/2019	SIGMA PI – Behaviors that occurred in the fall 2015 semester were reported to the University in summer 2019. During the Fall 2015 term, new members, at the direction of members, participated in a bid acceptance night that involved a crate race with alcohol, chugging beer, and being yelled at. Throughout the new member process, new members experienced lineups that included physical hazing.	The organization was placed on probation by the University for a year and a half, was required to complete educational programs, and had other sanctions assigned including required advisor attendance at initiation events.
			2020	

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Altoona	3/4/2020	5/21/2020	BASEBALL TEAM – At an annual party celebrating the start of the season, veteran members of the PSU Altoona Baseball team shaved the rookie players' hair in various designs. Rookies, while being less than 21, were provided with alcohol during the celebration.	The team and coaching staff were required to complete educational programs related to hazing and alcohol.		
University Park	8/17/20	11/20/20	ECLIPSE WINTER GUARD – The organization required exercises that were unreasonable and caused risk to the health and safety of members, including concerns of mental distress.	The organization was suspended by the University for two years with the condition that no current members or leaders can be part of the organization in the future.		
University Park	9/16/20	10/1/20	SIGMA TAU GAMMA – The organization furnished alcohol to underage individuals as part of the new member education process. New members were also required to perform acts of servitude for members.	The University and fraternity headquarters collaborated to suspend the fraternity for four years.		
			2021			
University Park	3/31/2021	4/8/2021	PI KAPPA PHI – A member of the organization was restrained to a flagpole on the front lawn of the chapter house in his boxers for a short period of time.	The University placed the organization on conduct probation until May 31, 2022, and, in conjunction with the national organization, mandated educational intervention and ongoing meetings with University staff.		
University Park	4/22/2021	9/23/2021 (updated)	DELTA PHI – As an expectation of continued membership, two new members exited a vehicle on campus that was driven by a third new member and tackled a member. The three then walked to the car together, and all left the area. Delta Phi is not a recognized student organization at the University.	University Police issued all four students summary citations for PA Crimes Code 2802 (a) (1) Hazing. The University's Office of Student Conduct held four students accountable and assigned probation and education around decision making and hazing. (updated)		
	2022					

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University Park	12/17/2021	1/7/2022	CHI PHI – At the direction of members, new members were instructed to engage in line-ups where they were subjected to forced calisthenics and other behaviors. In addition, new members, at the directions of members, were forced to consume alcohol.	The organization accepted responsibility, and in partnership with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life and the National Headquarters there was a full membership review, probation through fall 2025, and educational initiatives. The chapter has been placed on a cease operations through fall 2022 as the remaining organization members engage in education related to hazing, alcohol use, leadership development, recruitment, risk management, and organizational management. The organization will have continued oversight through alumni advising. The educational plan spans through fall 2025.
University Park	5/12/2022	5/16/2022	ZETA TAU ALPHA – At the direction of members, new members were required to engage in an activity of a sexual nature (i.e., sexual touching) in partnership with Tau Kappa Epsilon.	The organization accepted responsibility, and in partnership with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life and the International Headquarters the organization is on probation through spring 2023. The organization will engage in comprehensive educational sanctions to address organizational leadership, hazing, risk management, recruitment, and organizational management. This will be at the co-direction and oversight of the International Headquarters, the advisors, and the University. The organization will provide monthly updates to the University. Failure to complete the educational initiatives will result in consideration of a suspension for the organization through a conduct process for failure to comply with sanctions.

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University Park	6/16/2022	6/17/2022	TAU KAPPA EPSILON – At the direction of members, new members were required to engage in forced consumption of alcohol and an activity of a sexual nature (i.e., sexual touching) in partnership with Zeta Tau Alpha.	The organization accepted responsibility, and in partnership with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life and the International Headquarters the organization is on probation through spring 2023. The organization will engage in comprehensive educational sanctions to address organizational leadership, hazing, risk management, recruitment, and organizational management. This will be at the co-direction and oversight of the International Headquarters, the advisors, and the University resources. The organization will provide monthly updates to the University. Failure to complete the educational initiatives will result in consideration of a suspension for the organization through a conduct process for failure to comply with sanctions.
University Park	8/10/2022	8/17/2022	DELTA SIGMA PHI New members were directed by members to participate in a scavenger hunt as a part of their new member process. The scavenger hunt included underage consumption of alcohol, sexual exploitative behaviors, and other behaviors that endangered the new members' health and safety.	The organization accepted responsibility, and in partnership with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life and the International Headquarters, the organization is on probation through summer 2023. The organization will engage in comprehensive educational sanctions to address organizational leadership, hazing, risk management, recruitment, and organizational management. This will be at the co-direction and oversight of the Headquarters, the advisors, and the University. The organization will provide monthly updates to the University. Failure to complete the educational initiatives will result in consideration of a suspension for the organization.

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University Park	9/16/2022	9/30/2022	DELTA SIGMA IOTA New members were directed by members to participate in the following behaviors during their new member process: consume liquor, perform calisthenics and running as punishment, clean members' apartments, and run errands for members.	The University suspended the organization through fall 2026.
			2023	
University Park	6/8/2023	6/12/2023	LION AMBASSADORS – During an organizational retreat at an off-campus location, an active member asked new members to wear t-shirts over their heads and verbally and publicly share a traumatic life experience. Newly initiated members described being in the space for an extended period of time, experiencing embarrassment, and being yelled at.	The University held the individual student accountable, and the Lion Ambassadors imposed independent individual disciplinary action with the student involved.
University Park	8/25/2023	9/11/2023	KAPPA ALPHA PSI New members were subjected to physical abuse which resulted in visible injuries. Additional hazing behaviors included yelling at and striking a new member for failing to complete an assigned task, requiring new members to wear heavy metal collars, and not allowing new members to shower during the process.	The University suspended the organization for a period of no less than four (4) years. The national organization supported the University's outcome.
University Park	8/22/2023	10/10/2023	PHI KAPPA SIGMA New members were subjected to behaviors including forced consumption of alcohol and food, forced physical activity, line-ups and forced servitude.	The University suspended the organization which may not request to have the suspension lifted any sooner than 2028. The national organization took similar action.
University Park	10/10/2023	11/16/2023	ALPHA GAMMA RHO The organization furnished alcohol to underage students as part of their recruitment process.	The organization accepted responsibility for the violation. In partnership with the national organization, the University issued a conditionally held suspension for four (4) years, mandated a full membership review, and required educational initiatives related to hazing, alcohol use, leadership development, recruitment, risk management, and organizational management. The organization will have continued oversight through the National Headquarters, being required to submit monthly progress reports.