



**UCLA Center for Student Programming  
Fraternity & Sorority Relations**

**Hazing Policies, Statutes, Statement Understanding and Position**

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**UCLA STUDENT CONDUCT CODE**

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II. Student Conduct Policies

102.12 Participation in hazing or any method of initiation or pre-initiation into a campus organization or other activity engaged in by the organization or members of the organization at any time that causes, or is likely to cause, physical injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in psychological harm to any student or other person.

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**UCLA INTERFRATERNITY/PANHELLENIC COUNCIL  
RISK MANAGEMENT & SOCIAL CONDUCT POLICY**

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**HAZING**

No chapter, colony, student, or alumni shall conduct hazing activities against any of its members, associate members, or pledges. Hazing activities are defined as:

“Any action taken or situation created, intentionally, or unintentionally, whether on or off fraternity premises, to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, or ridicule. Such activities may include but not limited to the following: use of alcohol; paddling in any form; line-ups; creation of any excessive fatigue; physical and psychological shocks; quests, treasure hunts, scavenger hunts, road trips, kidnapping, or any other such activities carried on outside or inside of the confines of the chapter house; wearing of public apparel which is conspicuous and not normally in good taste; engaging in public stunts and buffoonery; morally degrading or humiliating games and activities; any other activities which are not consistent with academic achievement, fraternal law, ritual, or policy or the regulation and policies of the educational institution, or applicable state law.”

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## SELECTED CALIFORNIA STATUTES; HAZING

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California Education Code, Revised September 1981, effective January 1, 1988.

**Section 32050.** Hazing Defined

As used in this article, "hazing" includes any method of initiation or pre-initiation into a student organization or any pastime or amusement engaged in with respect to such an organization which causes, or is likely to cause, bodily danger or physical harm, or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm, to any student or other person attending any school, community college, college, university, or other educational institution in this state; but the term "hazing" does not include customary athletic events or other similar contests or competitions.

**Section 32051.** Hazing Prohibited

No student, or other person in attendance at any public, private, parochial, or military school, community college, college, or other educational institution, shall conspire to engage in hazing, or commit any act that causes or is likely to cause bodily danger, physical harm, or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to any fellow student or person attending the institution.

The violation of this section is a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), nor more than five thousand dollars (\$5000.00), or imprisonment in the county jail, for not more than one year, or both.

**Section 32052.** Penalty for Hazing

Any person who participates in the hazing of another, or any corporation or association which knowingly permits hazing to be conducted by its members or by others subject to its direction or control, shall forfeit any entitlement to public funds, scholarships, or awards which are enjoyed by him, by her, or by it, and shall be deprived of any sanction or approval granted by any public educational institution or agency.

The governing board of any public school, public college, public university, or other public educational institution or agency shall adopt rules and regulations to implement this section.

If the Attorney General or the district attorney of any county or city and county has reason to believe forfeiture should be declared under this section, he or she may institute a special proceeding in the superior court to establish such forfeiture. Any funds so forfeited shall be deposited in the State Treasury and credited to the State School Fund.



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FR: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Organization)

RE: HAZING: Statement of Understanding and Compliance

My chapter is aware of the following facts:

1. We have read the California Laws regarding HAZING and understand HAZING is a misdemeanor in the State of California.
2. HAZING is a violation of the UCLA Official Recognition Policy.
3. HAZING is a violation of National Policy for all Greek-letter social organizations.
4. Organizations which participate in HAZING activities are subject to the suspension or revocation of their chapter by their inter/national organization. My chapter understands that the future of our organization is in jeopardy if its members participate in HAZING.
5. HAZING is a threat to life and personal safety.
6. HAZING is a ritual which has no place at UCLA.

We have discussed HAZING at a general membership meeting of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Organization Name)

That was held on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of New Member Educator

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Chapter President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

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Print Name

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**THE FRATERNITY EXECUTIVES ASSOCIATION**  
**STATEMENT OF POSITION ON HAZING AND PRE-INITIATION ACTIVITIES**

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The Fraternity Executives Association has stated its position, periodically, in support of constructive educational and inspirational programs and has asserted unequivocally its opposition to hazing and pre-initiation activities, which do not contribute to the positive development and welfare of pledges and members.

Because hazing and other pseudo-initiation practices have not been rejected and eradicated completely in undergraduate activities and therefore remain a menace to the well-being of the College Fraternity System, the Fraternity Executives Association reaffirms and reasserts its position on this question.

\* The Association believes that true fraternalism is nurtured in an atmosphere of social and moral responsibility, respect for duly constituted authority, and loyalty to the principles of high education.

\* The Association further believes that while social behavior cannot be legislated, a fraternity without morally sound precepts and practices is not a constructive influence upon college men.

\* The Association further believes that a fraternity has a solemn obligation in the development of its pledges and members and that this responsibility extends alike to the institution where it is represented; to parents and others who make possible the education of pledges and members; to the communities where chapters are accountable for good citizenship; and to the college fraternity system of which it is a part.

\* The Association further believes, despite the fact that much progress has been made, that one of the most damaging instruments to the fraternity system is the employment of a program of education, which includes hazing, and that this unproductive, ridiculous and hazardous custom has no rightful place in the fraternity system.

\* The Association defines hazing as any action taken or situation created, intentionally, whether on or off fraternity premises, to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, or ridicule. Such activities and

situations include paddling in any form; creation of excessive fatigue; physical and psychological shocks; quests, treasure hunts, scavenger hunts, road trips or any other such activities carried on outside the confines of the house; wearing, publicly, apparel which is conspicuous and not normally in good taste; engaging in public stunts and buffoonery; morally degrading or humiliating games and activities; late work sessions which interfere with scholastic activities; and any other activities which are not consistent with fraternal law, ritual or policy or the regulations and policies of the educational institution.

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Policy Information compiled by the UCLA CSP,  
Fraternity & Sorority Relations

Consult your CSP/FSR Advisor located in 105  
Kerckhoff Hall for more information, counsel, and  
advisement on the issues of hazing.