

SECTION X. Hazing

Hazing is a crime in the State of Ohio. As defined by the law, hazing is “doing any act or coercing another, including the victim, to do any act of initiation to any student or other organization that causes or creates a substantial risk of causing mental or physical harm to any person.” Under Ohio law, legal action may be taken against any participant in hazing or against anyone at the College who knew or who reasonably should have known of the hazing and did not make an attempt to prevent it. Every member of the campus community is required to report any incidents of hazing or suspicions of hazing which come to their attention. Reports should be given to the Director of Student Activities and Lowry Center, the Dean of Students Office, or Campus Security.

Hazing is also a violation of the College’s Code of Social Responsibility, and the College will consider hazing to be any portion of a new member process, whether on campus or off, which could cause discomfort, pain, fright, disgrace, injury or which is personally degrading regardless of the intent or end result.