

LAFAYETTE
FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE

New Member Release Form

ACADEMICS

I give my consent to the Lafayette College Office of Fraternity & Sorority Advising to release my educational records (grades) to my chapter academic/scholarship chair and chapter advisors with a direct role in the academic component of my chapter's operations for use in awarding scholarships, academic advising and support services for underperformance, and chapter averaging. Specifically, I authorize this release of my academic information until I notify the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life **in writing** (*cannot be made verbally or via email*).

CONDUCT

I understand that, as an obligation of membership, my actions reflect upon my organization. As such, I give my consent to release code of conduct violations to which I have been found responsible to my chapter.

FINANCE & HOUSING

I understand that, as an obligation of membership, I will keep current with my financial obligations to Lafayette College and my chapter. As a residential institution, students are required to live in college housing. Off-campus housing is only an option during your senior year at Lafayette. I understand that, as an obligation of membership, I will be required to live in a Greek chapter house during my membership experience, *through the completion of my senior year if necessary*.

HAZING

Lafayette College requires that no student participate in and that no student organization allow any of its prospective members, new members, members, or others to participate in any ceremony or practice that involves mental or physical exhaustion or abuse, or in any way interferes with the students' mental or physical ability to perform their work at Lafayette College. These rites must not reflect unfavorably upon either the group or the College or be of a dangerous, rude, or demeaning nature. The following list is illustrative of hazing activities that must be avoided in favor of activities that are creative, constructive, meaningful, and safe.

Hazing includes, but is not limited to:

1. Pressuring, urging, or encouraging anyone to consume alcohol or drugs
2. Physical activity (e.g., middle-of-the-night calisthenics) that is not a part of an organized group's ordinary activities (e.g., athletic practice)
3. Paddling, shoving, or striking in any manner
4. Pressuring individuals to wear degrading or uncomfortable clothing
5. Force-feeding
6. Disrupting sleep
7. Depriving individuals of regular meals and the opportunity for adequate personal hygiene
8. Individual interrogations such as "rat-court" or "kangaroo-court"
9. Throwing or pouring substances on anyone
10. Any activity that interferes with students' attending class or studying
11. Harassment or disruption of other residences or groups; any form of restriction of a person's freedom of movement; nudity as part of an initiation activity
12. "Lineups" of any type
13. Any activity that intends to or actually degrades, humiliates, ridicules, embarrasses, or intimidates another person.

With my signature, I agree to the stipulations noted above.

Print Name

Signature

L Number

Chapter

Date
