

The following policy can be found in the Oglethorpe University Bulletin:

11.2.4. Policy on Hazing

Oglethorpe University does not permit the hazing of a student as a requirement for membership or participation in any student organization, athletic team, Greek chapter, colony, club or group. Hazing is not consistent with the mission of the University and is in opposition to the founding principles of fraternal organizations. The University will not tolerate hazing in any form.

Hazing activities are defined as:

An action taken or situation created intentionally by an individual or group, whether on- or off-campus, to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule in another person or group, regardless of the consent of the participants. Any act that interferes with regularly scheduled classes or academic pursuits of a student may also be defined as hazing. Such activities may include but are not limited to the following:

- Use of alcohol.
- Paddling in any form.
- Creation of excess fatigue.
- Physical and psychological shocks.
- Engaging in disruptive behavior.
- Morally degrading or humiliating games and activities.
- Forced servitude.
- Other such activities that are not consistent with academic achievement, ritual or policy, the regulations or policies of the University or applicable state law.

Complaints or information concerning an alleged violation of the hazing policy should be reported to the dean of students or the director of residence life. Staff will investigate all complaints and take appropriate action upon confirmation of a violation.