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University of Louisiana System

Title: HAZING

Effective Date: August 27, 2019

I. <u>University of Louisiana System Statement on Hazing</u>

7 KH 8 QLYHUVLW | RI /RXLVLDQD 6 | VWHP 3 WKH 6 | VWHP' educational environment that fosters respect for the dignity and rights of all its community members. 7 KLV FRPPLWPHQW UHIOHFWV WKH 6 | VWHP¶V DGKH supporting its mission, and to relevant state and federal laws. As such, acts of hazing are considered irresponsible, intolerable and inconsistent with the 6 | VWHPs¶dd. Student organizations and/or individual members found to have engaged in hazing shall be in violation of WKH 6 | VoWdyH P\$% O hand may be in violation of state law (R.S. 14:40.8).

The 6 \V W HnEnform restitutions shall adopt an institutional policy in accordance with all applicable laws and this Policy. All institutional policies must be amended to reflect any subsequent changes to laws and regulations. Additionally, each institution is encouraged to develop supplementary procedures to further support the implementation of this Policy. It is important to note that, while all institutions may develop individualized policies on hazing prevention, the mandatory provisions of this Policy establish the minimum requirements with which all institutional policies must comply.

II. Policy and Procedures Memorandum

In compliance with Acts 635, 637, and 640 of the 2018 Regular Session and Act 382 of the 2019 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature and the 2019 Board of Regents Uniform Policy on Hazing, the System reaffirms its policy that any form of hazing of any student enrolled at any institution of the System is prohibited. Violation of this

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c. Pledging is any action or activity related to becoming a member of an organization, including recruitment and rushing.

d. Appropriate authority

- i. Any state or local law enforcement agency.
- ii. A 911 Public Safety Answering Point as defined in Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.
- iii. Emergency medical personnel.
- e. **Reckless behavior** is an activity or behavior in which a reasonable person knew or reasonably should have known that the activity or behavior may result in injury to another, including but not limited to, excessive consumption of alcohol, binge drinking, drag racing, consumption of any controlled dangerous substance, acts of hazing, or other similar activity.
- **f. Serious bodily injury** is bodily injury that involves unconsciousness, extreme physical pain, or protracted and obvious disfigurement, or protracted loss or impairment of the function of a bodily member, organ, or mental faculty, death, or a substantial risk of death.

IV. <u>Prevention and Education Programs</u>

Each new student shall be provided educational information on the dangers of and prohibition on hazing during the new student orientation process in the form of a handbook.

In addition,

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