

Hazing

Illinois College prohibits conduct by individuals, organizations or groups affiliated with the College that is in violation of the Illinois law on hazing, or any hazing activity which threatens a person's rights or self-respect, which disrupts community life or which encourages the violation of civil, state or federal law.

It is the College's belief that all students have the right to join any organization, group or athletic team without threat, harassment, humiliation or ridicule. Hazing is not permitted by Illinois College. We define hazing as any action taken or situation created, intentionally, whether on or off campus, to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule.

The following are all clear examples of hazing, and will not be tolerated by Illinois College:

- Forced consumption of drugs and/or alcohol, either by command or implied pressure
- Sleep deprivation or creation of excessive fatigue
- Endurance activities such as forced exercise
- Paddling in any form
- Forced vandalism and/or shoplifting
- Physical and psychological shocks
- Road trips or any other such activities
- Wearing publicly, any apparel which is conspicuous and not in normally good taste
- Engaging in public stunts or pranks
- Morally degrading or humiliating games or activities
- Late work sessions which interfere with scholastic activities
- Any other activities which are not consistent with the regulations and policies of Illinois College

Known offenders may be suspended/dismissed from Illinois College. Those in violation of the Illinois Hazing Act are also subject to the sanctions of the State of Illinois. Current state statutes define hazing as a Class A misdemeanor. If the hazing results in death or bodily harm, the charge becomes a Class 4 felony.

Reporting Options

Any student who has experienced or witnessed hazing is encouraged to report the behavior to a College Official (including any faculty, staff, or residential assistant/hall director). All College Officials are required to report any known or suspected information using any of the reporting options listed below. Failure to report by a College official is a Class B misdemeanor under Illinois law. If the hazing results in death or bodily harm, the charge becomes a Class A misdemeanor.

Any questions and/or reports of hazing should be directed to College officials.

Report via online form using the [College's single sign on page](#).

Report Anonymously: You can also call the Illinois College Anonymous Hazing Hotline at **217.245.3366**.