



STUDENT ORGANIZATIONAL CONDUCT

Tucker Hipps Transparency Act

Maintained pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 59-101-210 (Tucker Hipps Transparency Act)

The Tucker Hipps Transparency Act requires that all public institutions of higher education in South Carolina, excluding technical colleges, provide a public report of actual findings of violations of the institution's Conduct Code for Student Organizations by fraternity and sorority organizations formally or currently affiliated with the institution.

Included in the Lander University report are violations of the Conduct Code for Student Organizations and members of student organizations (not personally identified) for offenses involving alcohol, drugs, sexual assault, physical assault, and hazing.

For each finding, this report includes the name of the organization, the date the organization was charged with misconduct, the date the citation was issued or the event occurred, the date the investigation was initiated, a general description of the incident, the charges, findings, and sanctions imposed on the organization, and the date on which the matter was resolved. Information specific to Lander University over the reporting period is detailed on the following pages. Any reported incidents—including charges, findings, and sanctions—that occur during the academic year will be summarized upon final case resolution.

Please contact the staff member listed below to obtain additional information related to findings, sanctions, and organizational sanction completion that is not protected under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. § 1232g. The institution is required to provide this additional information pursuant to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

COMMUNITY STANDARDS

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Reporting Period at a Glance

Academic years are listed newest to oldest. Full details for each finding appear in the Findings on Record section.

ACADEMIC YEAR	ORGANIZATION(S)	STATUS
2025-2026	—	No Violations to Report
2024-2025	—	No Violations to Report
2023-2024	—	No Violations to Report
2022-2023	—	No Violations to Report
2021-2022	Delta Sigma Phi	Findings on record
2020-2021	—	No Violations to Report
2019-2020	Kappa Alpha Psi	Findings on record
2018-2019	Phi Mu	Findings on record
2017-2018	—	No Violations to Report

Findings on Record

The following organizations were found responsible for violations of the Conduct Code for Student Organizations during the reporting period. No personally identifying information of individual members is included.

Delta Sigma Phi 2021-2022 Academic Year

Good Standing

DATE CHARGED WITH MISCONDUCT	Not recorded	DATE OF INCIDENT / EVENT	March 30, 2022
INVESTIGATION INITIATED	April 4, 2022	DATE RESOLVED	May 5, 2023
CHARGES / FINDINGS	Hazing; Harm to Persons; Threatening Conduct		
INCIDENT DESCRIPTION	As a part of the initiation process, provisional members were asked to participate in activities such as carrying items; sharing explicit videos via group messages; “shot gunning” beverages (not limited to alcohol); and wearing specific attire during the week leading up to initiation.		

SANCTIONS ISSUED

- Organizational Probation.
- Organization required to comply with sanctions from the National Delta Sigma Phi accountability plan.
- All members to complete a mandatory alcohol education course.
- All members required to complete eight hours of service.
- All members required to attend an educational program.
- Chapter must elect a new president immediately.
- Executive team members must attend a workshop on risk management and hazing.
- All members to be trained on how to access the Hazing Complaint Form.
- The Office of Student Activities will conduct safety surveys of provisional members twice per year.

Status: All sanctions, including organizational probation, were completed on May 5, 2023.

DATE CHARGED WITH MISCONDUCT	November 14, 2019	DATE OF INCIDENT / EVENT	October 25, 2019
INVESTIGATION INITIATED	October 26, 2019	DATE RESOLVED	November 27, 2019
CHARGES / FINDINGS	Hazing		
INCIDENT DESCRIPTION	Off-campus incident involving provisional members being paddled.		

SANCTIONS ISSUED

- Deactivation of the organization (minimum of a six-year period).

DATE CHARGED WITH MISCONDUCT	February 12, 2019	DATE OF INCIDENT / EVENT	Fall 2018
INVESTIGATION INITIATED	December 21, 2018	DATE RESOLVED	February 21, 2019
CHARGES / FINDINGS	Hazing		
INCIDENT DESCRIPTION	As a part of the initiation process, provisional members were asked to close their eyes and ride to an undisclosed location. Seatbelts were not readily available for some of the provisional members.		

SANCTIONS ISSUED

- Phi Director and KROP committee training.
- Retreat facilitated by a headquarters staff member.
- Host educational workshops to change chapter culture (focus on risk management, hazing, honor process, and holding members accountable), facilitated by a headquarters staff member and/or national/area advisor.
- Implement a travel safety plan.
- All members to be trained on how to access the Hazing Complaint Form.
- The Office of Student Activities will distribute safety surveys to provisional members twice per year.