Xavier University
Policy on Hazing
(from the Student Handbook)

19.19 Hazing
A. In accordance with its mission, its concern for the safety and the wellbeing of all members of the University community, and in accordance with the laws of the state of Ohio, Xavier University strictly prohibits the practice of hazing of any students by another student(s) or groups of students.

B. Hazing is defined as any intentional or reckless action or situation which promotes emotional or physical harassment, discomfort, or ridicule; hazing is usually connected with the initiation or entry of a new individual or group of individuals into an already existing group or with the discipline of a member by other members of a group.

C. Specifically, the following hazing activities directed toward any pledge, initiate, or new member of an organization or team are prohibited:
   • Any and all forms of strenuous physical activity which are not part of an organized constructive event and which may reasonably be expected to bring harm to a person(s);
   • Paddling, beating, pushing, shoving, restraining, immobilizing, or striking a person(s);
   • Activities that result in the unreasonable loss of sleep or study time of a person(s);
   • Forcing or coercing a person(s) to eat or drink amounts of any substance, including alcohol, drugs, foods, or other substances;
   • Abductions and the forced relocation of a person(s);
   • Cruel psychological treatment of a person(s): Behavior which disrupts the normal functioning of the university; behavior which forces another person(s) to participate in an illegal, publically indecent, or morally degrading activities, or inappropriate sexual conduct; or behavior which violates rules, regulations, and policies of Xavier University. Any allegations of hazing are to be made to the Dean of Students. The 58 provisions of the Code of Student Conduct and University conduct procedures apply.