

PHILOSOPHY OF THE ORGANIZATION REGARDING SEXUAL MISCONDUCT, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, & STALKING

Sigma Pi Fraternity is a values-based membership development organization that focuses on building brotherhood through character enhancement, leadership development, academic achievement, commitment to service, lifelong friendship and social experiences. The Fraternity believes that sexual misconduct, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking prevent all affected individuals from realizing their full potential as citizens and are contrary to both human dignity and the values of the organization.

Seeking to be a responsible member of the higher education community, Sigma Pi is acutely concerned about any activity that could be considered mentally, physically, or emotionally unsafe. Our Fraternity believes heartily in promoting the development of healthy relationships and social environments through our chapters. Our organization upholds the following philosophy specifically related to sexual misconduct, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking:

- The Fraternity is unequivocally opposed to all acts of sexual misconduct, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and expects our members to follow the laws across the United States that have made these behaviors illegal. Additionally, the Fraternity expects members to follow campus-specific policies that prohibit such behaviors.
- As an organization founded on the principles of friendship, the Fraternity expects that our members treat others with dignity and respect.
- We encourage chapters to participate actively in local university programming and resources and to take a leadership role in initiating and supporting prevention activities.
- As a member of the campus community, the Fraternity collaborates with the host institution to address the problems of sexual misconduct, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, including leveraging campus resources to educate our members and assist all parties.
- The Fraternity works to address the underlying causes of sexual misconduct, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. As such, Sigma Pi supports an educational approach that encourages healthy interactions among all people and reinforces the Fraternity's concern for human dignity and mutual respect.
- Through education, training, we provide resources to help students make informed decisions, and to understand the consequences of their decisions. The organization will hold chapters and individual chapter members accountable for the choices they make.
- The Fraternity expects cooperation from its members and chapters in all accountability processes.
- The Fraternity will hold chapters accountable for the choices they make through a progressive discipline strategy.
- We promote respectful and healthy relationships and the well being and dignity of all people.