

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Student organizations are expected to abide by all University policies, including the policies in the Code of Student Responsibility. In addition, the Office for Student Involvement may set forth additional policies applicable to student organizations. In addition, University Ministry may set forth additional policies applicable to student religious organizations. In addition, Campus Recreation may set forth policies applicable to club sports.

Potential student organization violations of University policies and the policies in the Code of Student Responsibility will be addressed through the Student Conduct Process. Potential student organization violations of policies set forth by the Office for Student Involvement, University Ministry, or Campus Recreation will be addressed through those areas.

Student organizations are expected to comply with all University policies, including the Code of Student Responsibility and all additional policies pertaining to groups and organizations. A group or organization may be held responsible for the actions and behaviors of its members and guests. The decision to hold a group or organization responsible as a whole is ultimately determined by examining all the circumstances of a situation and by taking into account factors including, but not limited to, whether the actions:

1. Were committed by one or more officers or authorized representatives acting in the scope of their organizational capacities;
2. Involved, were committed by, or were condoned by (actively or passively) a significant number of organization members, alumni, or guests;
3. Occurred at or in connection with an activity or event funded, sponsored, publicized, advertised, or communicated about by the organization;
4. Occurred at a location over which the organization had control at the time of the action;
5. Occurred at or in connection with an activity or event that reasonable people would associate with the organization;
6. Should have been foreseen by the organization or its officers, but reasonable precautions against such actions were not taken;
7. Were the result of a policy or practice of the organization;
8. Would be attributable to the organization under the organization's own policies (including local or national risk management guidelines); or
9. Were taken by individuals who, but for their affiliation with the organization, would not have been involved in the incident.

Or whether:

1. One or more officers or members of an organization fail to report knowledge or information about a violation to, or otherwise fail to cooperate with, appropriate University or emergency officials; or
2. The organization, or any member acting on its behalf, fails to satisfactorily complete the terms of any disciplinary sanction or outcome.

Student organizations, as well as their members and officers, may be held collectively and/or individually responsible for violations of the Code of Student Responsibility or other University policies.