



Sam Houston State University
Dean of Students' Office

REQUIRED HAZING REPORT SPRING 2025

Introduction

Sam Houston State University is committed to providing a safe educational environment for everyone and does not tolerate hazing by any group or individual affiliated with the university. The university expects all students and organizations to observe and fully comply with state law and university policies associated with the prohibition of hazing.

Hazing is prohibited under federal law, state law, and university policy. The university will take disciplinary action for hazing that takes place during official university functions, or during functions held by registered or sponsored student organizations. The university will also take disciplinary action for hazing incidents that have a substantial connection to the interests of the university, wherever they occur.

Federal Law

- [Stop Campus Hazing Act](#)

State Law

- [Texas Education Code, Higher Education, Hazing \(Section 51.936\)](#)
- [Texas Education Code, Chapter 37, Subchapter F. Hazing](#)

University Policies

- [Student Code of Conduct](#)

Hazing Reports Within the Last Three Years

In accordance with state and federal law, this required notification is to inform students in their choice to join student organizations, Sam Houston State University publishes and distributes this report of hazing committed on or off campus by an organization registered with or recognized by the institution during the three years preceding the date of this report.

Talented Tenth

Date of Incident

September 13, 2023

Date of Report to University

September 13, 2023

Date Investigation Initiated

September 13, 2023

Date of Resolution

October 18, 2023

General Description of Incident

The Talented Tenth conducted an intake process that required the internship class to participate in late night events not allowing the internship class to leave PIT for sleep or do classwork. The internship class were asked to write 10-page papers and lined up to be yelled at by both current and former members.

Student Code of Conduct Violation(s)

Hazing, Violation of University Policy

University Finding

Responsible

University Sanction(s)

1. Social Probation for the remainder of Fall 2023 semester.

Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity**Date of Incident**

November 18, 2022

Date of Report to University

November 19, 2022

Date Investigation Initiated

November 19, 2022

Date of Resolution

January 19, 2023

General Description of Incident

Pledges were required to always stay at the ATO house with minimal exceptions, forced to do physical exercise, sprayed with a water-hose, and required to sleep outside in wet clothes around a fire.

Student Code of Conduct Violation(s)

5.2 Student Misconduct, 5.2(2) Violation of University Policy, 5.2(9) Hazing

University Finding

Responsible

University Sanction(s)

1. Social Probation for the spring, summer, and fall semesters of 2023.
2. Completion of a hazing prevention educational course.
3. Submission of a new member education plan.

Sigma Chi**Date of Incident**

September 22, 2024

Date of Report to University

September 22, 2024

Date Investigation Initiated

September 23, 2024

Date of Resolution

October 16, 2024

General Description of Incident

Allegations relating to kidnapping of a recruit.

Student Code of Conduct Violation(s)

Hazing by organization, violation of university policy, unlawful act.

University Finding

Responsible

University Sanctions

1. Letter of apology to University Police Department and Huntsville Police Department.
2. 80 hours of community service.
3. Social probation ending May 12, 2025.
4. All members to complete an anti-hazing educational course at the organization's expense by December 2, 2024.