



Virginia Tech's Fraternity and Sorority Life **SAMPLE Fraternity and Sorority Life Grade Release Form** Step Four (4)

Aspirants / Prospective Members/ New Members **MUST** complete this form located at: <https://fsl.vt.edu/> → Menu → Resources → Forms and Policies → Forms



Fraternity and Sorority Life Grade Release Form

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) prohibits the release of personally identifiable information from the students' education records without their prior written authorization. Exceptions to this policy are limited to: 1) release of such information to a specific list of officials with a legitimate educational interest in the record, 2) the release of such information in response to a court order, health or safety emergency, or approved research project, or 3) the release of public directory information which has not been previously restricted by the student.

Records to be disclosed: Semester grade point average, cumulative grade point average, and any other records as authorized to Fraternity and Sorority Life.

Parties to whom the records may be disclosed: Chapter President, Chapter and/or Faculty Advisor(s), Scholarship Chairperson, National Headquarters Staff, Regional Chapter Advisors and Volunteers, Chapter Executive Officers, Council Leadership, and the Fraternity and Sorority Life Office.

Purpose of disclosure: For use in university affiliation authorization, chapter scholarship statistics, educational programming, awards, recognition, and verification of minimum academic standards and requirements.

Length of disclosure: Each member of the fraternity and sorority community completes a Grade Release Form once they become a new member (pledge, associate, aspirant, etc.), which releases semester grade point average, cumulative grade point average, and any other records as authorized to the Fraternity and Sorority Life Office for the duration of their enrollment at Virginia Tech as an affiliated member, unless written revocation of this authorization is submitted to the Director of Fraternity and Sorority Life.

By signing (or electronically signing) this form, I have reviewed and understand the grade release information.

Grade Release Statement and Requirements Information

I authorize Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University to release my grades to the Fraternity and Sorority Life Office and any other necessary officials for the purpose of evaluating my academic standing and determining my eligibility to be offered membership and/or initiated.

----- I have read the Grade Release Form and understand that by clicking on or initialing this statement, the statements below, and by clicking on the "Sign Grade Release" button or signing below, I am authorizing the university to release my grades to those listed above.

----- I understand that although Fraternity and Sorority Life at Virginia Tech does not require a minimum grade point average to participate in intake or recruitment, that each individual organization has a minimum grade point average for membership eligibility.

Student Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____

Student ID # _____ Date: _____

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Virginia Tech's Fraternity and Sorority Life SAMPLE Commitment to a Hazing Free Experience Form Step Four (4)

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Our Commitment to a Hazing-Free Fraternity and Sorority Life Experience Form

Commonwealth of Virginia Hazing Law

Commonwealth of Virginia Hazing Law- (Virginia Hazing, Civil Criminal Liability, Code of Virginia § 18.2-5, Amended 2014) <https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title18.2/chapter4/section18.2-56/> reads as follows:

It shall be unlawful to haze so as to cause bodily injury, any student at any school or institution of higher education. Any person found guilty thereof shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. Any person receiving bodily injury by hazing shall have a right to sue, civilly, the person or persons guilty thereof, whether adults or infants. The president or other presiding official of any school or institution of higher education receiving appropriations from the state treasury shall, upon satisfactory proof of the guilt of any student hazing another student, sanction and discipline such student in accordance with the institution's policies and procedures. The institution's policies and procedures shall provide for expulsions or other appropriate discipline based on the facts and circumstances of each case and shall be consistent with the model policies established by the Department of Education or the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, as applicable. The president or other presiding official of any school or institution of higher education receiving appropriations from the state treasury shall report hazing which causes bodily injury to the attorney for the Commonwealth of the county or city in which such school or institution of higher education is, who shall take such action as he deems appropriate. For the purposes of this section, "hazing" means to recklessly or intentionally endanger the health or safety of a student or students or to inflict bodily injury on a student or students in connection with or for the purpose of initiation, admission into or affiliation with or as a condition for continued membership in a club, organization, association, fraternity, sorority, or student body regardless of whether the student or students so endangered or injured participated voluntarily in the relevant activity.

Hazing Policy Compliance

I agree to the following (please initial each)

- _____ 1. I have received, read, and fully understand the Virginia Tech Hazing Policy found on the Fraternity and Sorority Life website under the Resources link and the Commonwealth of Virginia Hazing Law listed above.
- _____ 2. I have read and fully understand the national hazing policy of the organization of which I am seeking membership.
- _____ 3. I understand that hazing puts both myself, and my organization at risk and I agree to comply with these policies and to report any hazing of which I am aware.
- _____ 4. I understand that hazing practices are not only harmful, but also have no place in collegiate fraternal organizations. I will not allow myself to be hazed nor will I participate or tolerate the hazing or harassment of any fellow members.
- _____ 5. I promise that I will work to eliminate all forms of hazing practices found within my fraternity/sorority chapter, as well as to uphold all other rules and regulations of the university.

By signing this form, I agree to the Virginia Tech Hazing Policy and the Commonwealth of Virginia Hazing Law.

Member Signature _____ Date _____

President Signature _____ Date _____

Printed Name _____

Organization Name _____

Student ID # _____

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