

FSL Arrest and Citation Policy

The University of Iowa
Office of the Vice President for Student Life

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Purpose

This policy is designed to support the success of the University of Iowa Fraternity and Sorority Community by providing incentives to reduce the rate at which members of the community are arrested or cited for criminal acts.

Policy

Each social fraternity or sorority is responsible for maintaining a modified arrest and citation rate (defined below) no higher than the overall rate for undergraduate students of the same sex.

Implementation

Definitions

Modified Arrest and Citation Rate. The modified arrest and citation ratio for a particular chapter is computed as follows:

$\frac{\text{number of members arrested or cited during the reporting period} - \text{number of arrests or citations removed by appeal}}{\text{number of members on reporting period's final roster}}$
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Reporting Period. The reporting period for fall semesters is from August 10 through fall commencement day. The reporting period for spring semesters is from January 10 through spring commencement day. Arrests and citations occurring outside of the reporting period are not covered by this policy.

Member. A member of a chapter is any student who has signed a new member (“gold”) card with the Center for Student Involvement and Leadership for that chapter and has not formally resigned or been removed from the chapter.

Any student registered for a Council-sponsored fall or spring recruitment program who is arrested or cited during the official dates of recruitment will be included on the arrest and citation report of the chapter he or she joins.

The fall or spring recruitment program is considered the entire duration of the program from Orientation until Bid Day, regardless of when official recruitment events occur.

Standards

Chapters will be held responsible under this policy beginning with results from the fall semester of 2011. Chapters with modified arrest and citation rates **equal to or less than** the all-women's (for sororities) or all-men's (for fraternities) rates, based on data from the fall semester of 2011 will be deemed to be in compliance. In order to remain in compliance, these chapters must maintain modified arrest and citation ratios equal to or less than one.

Recognition

Chapters that are in compliance in a given semester will be recognized as follows.

- The vice president for student life will write to their inter/national headquarters recognizing the chapter's success.
- The chapter will be eligible to request permission to hold an event at which alcohol is served in a university building.
- The chapter will be recognized with a certificate of compliance at the Fraternity & Sorority Life annual awards program.
- Members of Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council chapters that are in compliance will be released from their University Housing & Dining contracts to move into the chapter house, provided they meet all other requirements established jointly by University Housing & Dining and the Center for Student Involvement and Leadership.

Sanctions

Sanctions under this policy are progressive and become more severe as the number of semesters a chapter is out of compliance increases. Out of compliance chapters move to the next tier of sanctions. Out of compliance chapters that have been in compliance the prior semester will receive Tier 1 sanctions.

Tier 1	Chapter must host one (1) non-alcoholic event in order to host two events at which alcohol is available. Chapter may host no more than one (1) date party or formal. Chapter may host no more than six (6) events at which alcohol is available.
Tier 2	Chapter must host one (1) non-alcoholic event in order to host one (1) event at which alcohol is available. Chapter may host no date parties or formals. Chapter may host no more than four (4) events at which alcohol is available.

Tier 3	Chapter must host two (2) non-alcoholic events in order to host one event at which alcohol is available. Chapter may host no date parties or formals. Chapter may host no more than two (2) events at which alcohol is available. Chapter may not participate in Greek Week or Homecoming.
Tier 4	Chapter will appear at a “show cause” hearing to explain why it’s relationship with the University of Iowa should not be terminated.

Notes on sanctions.

- Non-alcoholic events must occur on a Thursday, Friday, or Saturday night between 9:00 PM* and 1:00 AM.
- A date party or formal at which alcohol is available counts as one (1) of the events for the semester at which alcohol is available.
- Each non-alcoholic event must be held *before* the corresponding event(s) at which alcohol is available.

*Please Note: This time is different than the IFC and PHC policy requirement. Please plan accordingly when planning a non-alcoholic event you wish to count for the A & C Tier requirements.

Chapter Status Movement

Chapters may move up a tier, down a tier or remain at the same status, depending upon policy compliance, progress or non-compliance. Please refer to the chart below to see the various options for chapters each semester.

Previous Semester		Current Semester		Movement
Not Compliant	⇒	Not Compliant	⇒	up 1 Tier
Not Compliant	⇒	Progress	⇒	Status Quo
Not Compliant	⇒	Compliant	⇒	down 1 Tier
Progress	⇒	Not Compliant	⇒	up 1 Tier
Progress	⇒	Progress	⇒	Status Quo
Progress	⇒	Compliant	⇒	down 1 Tier (if applicable)
Compliant	⇒	Not Compliant	⇒	up 1 Tier
Compliant	⇒	Progress	⇒	Status Quo
Compliant	⇒	Compliant	⇒	Status Quo

Appeals

Chapters may request recalculation of their modified arrest and citation ratio for any of the following reasons:

1. A member who was reported as arrested or cited was acquitted of all the charges arising from the incident.
2. All of the charges from an incident were dropped for reasons *other than* entry into the Johnson County diversion program.

3. The member was removed from the chapter as the result of the arrest or citation.

In addition, chapters with two (2) or one (1) arrests or citations may request that their arrest and citation count be reduced by one (1). The Dean of Students will consider the total pattern of the chapter's behavior in granting or denying the request.

Appeals must be filed within ten (10) days of the notice of sanction, accompanied by appropriate documentation. Appeals will be considered by the Dean of Students, whose decision will be final.

Show cause hearing

Show cause hearings will be heard by a board consisting of the Dean of Students, the presidents of the Panhellenic Council, the Interfraternity Council, the National Pan-Hellenic Council, and the Multicultural Greek Council, or their designees. The associate director of the Center for Student Involvement and Leadership will serve *ex officio* without vote. The board will hear evidence and arguments presented by the chapter and reach a decision by majority vote.

Revision

The vice president for student life may revise this policy following consultation with the leadership of the Panhellenic Council, the Interfraternity Council, the National Pan-Hellenic Council, and the Multicultural Greek Council. The vice president will inform the council presidents and chapter presidents of any substantive changes one semester before they take effect.