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UI investigating potential fraternity hazing incident

The University of Iowa has placed a fraternity chapter on interim suspension while investigating a potential incident of hazing. The UI Office of Student Accountability (OSA) has notified the president of Alpha Delta Phi that it must suspend all operations pending the outcome of the investigation due to the gravity of the allegations. Alpha Delta Phi's national chapter has also suspended the charter until further notice.

The university took immediate action after UI Police, Iowa City Police, and Iowa City Fire Department responded to a fire alarm at the fraternity house early Friday morning and found several dozen pledges blindfolded in the basement. One person has been arrested and charged with interference with official acts. The individual is not a student and does not reside at the house. The police investigation is ongoing and is separate from OSA's investigation.

The university is committed to protecting the health and safety of its students and will address any behavior that puts student safety at risk.

OSA will follow the [Student Organization Discipline Procedure](#), which includes sanctions for prohibited behaviors including hazing, misconduct, and alcohol and illegal drugs. As [registered student organizations](#), fraternities are expected to uphold the values of the university, and their members are expected to comply with the [Code of Student Life](#).

The university has reached out to the affected students offering counseling and resources. Students with information or evidence should contact UI Police (319-335-5022) or [report their concern](#) to the Office of Student Accountability.

The university requires fraternities to undergo training on a range of topics including alcohol use, violence prevention, and leadership development. Compliance with those education requirements is not only tracked by Fraternity and Sorority Life (FSL) staff members each semester, but also made publicly available on the FSL [scorecard](#).