



# VCU

## New Policies for Fraternities & Sororities at VCU Effective: August 1, 2022

The following policies will be incorporated into an updated version of the Fraternity & Sorority Life Handbook and will be effective August 1, 2022. This document is intended to provide advance notice to allow chapters to work with their Inter/National organization to implement these policies for the fall 2022 semester.

1. Regardless of incoming credit status or prior affiliation, students must successfully complete twelve (12) credit hours from Virginia Commonwealth University and meet all other eligibility requirements for new member status to become eligible to join a social fraternity or sorority. Credit hours transferred from a previous institution do not count towards this eligibility requirement. Eligibility verification will be conducted by the Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life.
2. VCU students who meet the grade point average, credit hours and hazing prevention training as required by Adam's Law for participation in a fraternity or sorority shall be eligible for membership and, upon acceptance of a bid, shall immediately be made new members.
3. The new member education period shall not exceed four weeks (28 days). The new member education period is defined as the period of time after a student has accepted a bid for membership and becomes a new member, until achieving full member status.
4. New members may not participate in or attend any activity or event of any fraternity or sorority between the hours of 10:00 pm and 8:00 am on any day of the week or weekend.
5. New member education may only occur during the fall and spring semesters while classes are in session.
6. The presence and/or consumption of alcohol at any activity or event of any fraternity or sorority attended by new members is prohibited.