

# Prevalence and Profiling: Hazing Among College Students and Points of Intervention

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**Objective:** To examine university students' attitudes, behaviors, and beliefs related to hazing. **Methods:** A random and representative sample of students completed a web-based survey regarding team-building and initiation behaviors (N=736). **Results:** Thirty-six percent of the respondents participated in hazing. Greeks, males, varsity athletes, leaders, and upperclassmen were more likely to

engage in hazing. Students who engaged in hazing were more likely to engage in positive team-building activities. **Conclusions:** Hazing is occurring on campus, although not always recognized as such by students. Various factors that would enable someone to stop a hazing situation are addressed.

**Key words:** hazing, violence, college students

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