

# HAZING TRANSPARANCY REPORT

2025
JULY - DECEMBER





## INTRODUCTION

Mount Marty University believes that all students are entitled to be treated with considerable respect at all times. The university is unconditionally opposed to any situation created to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, ridicule, or social ostracism. Thus, all forms of abusive affiliations, or hazing, are prohibited. This policy is a cornerstone of our efforts to ensure our students safety and compliance with critical state and federal laws, including the Jeanne Clery Campus Safety Act (Clery Act) and the Stop Campus Hazing Act.

In compliance with the Stop Campus Hazing Act, this report provides a record of all substantiated hazing incidents at Mount Marty University.

This semiannual report includes:

- A description of each substantiated incident
- Date the incident was reported
- Date the incident was substantiated
- Organization or group involved
- Outcome of the investigation
- Sanction(s) issued

The report only reflects incidents that have been investigated and substantiated through formal university conduct procedures.

## **DEFINITION**

Hazing is defined as any intentional, knowing, or reckless act, committed individually or in concert with others, against a student, regardless of their willingness to participate, that is connected to joining, maintaining, or affiliating with a student organization and results in, or creates a risk of, physical or psychological harm or social ostracism.



## SUBSTANTIATED HAZING INCIDENTS

The following table includes any hazing incidents that were substantiated through formal investigation as outlined in the Community Code of Conduct. An incident is considered substantiated when it meets the criteria outlined in the Mount Marty University Student Handbook and a responsible finding has been issued through the student conduct process. Each case listed involved behavior connected to initiation, membership, or affiliation with a student organization and resulted in physical harm, psychological harm, or a significant risk thereof. Reports that do not result in formal findings due to insufficient information, unsubstantiated allegations, or incidents falling outside the definition of hazing are not included.

No substantiated incidents were reported during this period (July 1, 2025 – December 11, 2025).

Organization	Date Investigation Initiated	Date Investigation Ended	Date of Incident	Policies of Concern	Summary	Date Charge	Sanction Imposed



### SUMMARY

This report aims to increase transparency, promote student safety, and support the Mount Marty University community in fostering a respective community free from hazing. The university remains committed to timely reporting, thorough investigation, and ongoing education to prevent hazing across all student organizations. Any person with knowledge of activity or conduct that may constitute hazing is strongly encouraged to report their concerns to one of the following offices:

#### The Office of Student Affairs:

Roncalli 210 (605) 668-1541 <u>Katie.Harrell@mountmarty.edu</u> <u>Frae.Binder@mountmarty.edu</u>

#### Campus Safety:

Roncalli 206 (605) 661-9883 (605) 668-1361 Todd.Brandt@mountmarty.edu

#### **Athletic Director:**

Avera Science & Nursing Center 4 (605) 668-5123

<u>Andy.Bernatow@mountmarty.edu</u>

### **Anonymous Report:**

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