

# HazingInfo.org

The nation's first free, comprehensive database of hazing incidents.

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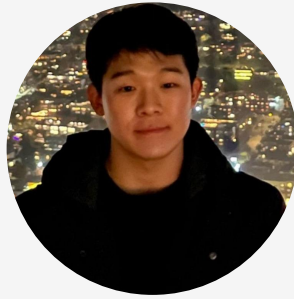
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# Problem Context



- What is hazing?
- Colleges lack or tuck away important information around hazing
- Difficult to understand how state anti-hazing protects your kids
- Lack of transparency leaves students and parents are uninformed how safe they are on campuses



Image: Sam Martinez, a WSU student who was hazed to death in 2019

# Problem Statement



How might **college students** considering joining social organizations and their **family**, achieve a better understanding of **hazing information** so that they can make **informed decisions** about joining organizations?



## Hazing Knowledge

**37 out of 40**  
students and  
parents surveyed  
**knew what  
hazing was**

## Hazing Definition

Typically  
associated with  
**alcohol  
consumption and  
coerced actions**

## Hazing Research

Majority would not  
know **where to  
look for hazing  
incident  
information**

# Personas



## Jake McDonald

- Incoming WSU freshman
- Heard about hazing from friends



**Wants to learn more about what the prevalence of hazing among frats is at WSU.**

## Susan Johnson

- Son wants to rush frat at UW
- Has seen hazing incidents in the news



**Wants to identify what frats have been charged for hazing violations at UW.**

# Key Concepts



**Accurate, Up-to-Date  
Hazing Incident Data**

**Search for Specific  
Institutions**

**Connection to  
Resources**

**“Do I / my family  
member feel safe joining  
a social organization at  
this school?”**





# Concept Validation

Validated through user interviews and guided site walkthroughs

## Lessons Learned

**Accurate, up-to-date** information on school's hazing policy, incidents, etc. = priority

## Designed Direction

Provide school's **hazing incidents, policy**, and if they report



Our team conducting interviews at the NASPA Conference in Seattle



# Key Features - Homepage



**HAZING**  
INFO.ORG

School Lookup Resources About

**HazingInfo is the nation's first free comprehensive database of hazing incidents.**

Search to learn more about hazing and reported incidents at your school.

Search Now

**What is Hazing?**

Hazing is any activity expected of someone joining or participating in a group that humiliates, degrades, abuses, or endangers them — regardless of a person's willingness to participate.

<b>55%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>90+%</b>
Of all college students participating in groups experience hazing	Of student athletes experience at least one form of hazing while in college	Of students involved in social fraternities or sororities experience hazing	Of students who experienced hazing do not recognize or identify they were hazed


Source: National Study of Student Hazing (2008)

Search for resources by school


Access Jolayne's blog

Receive newsletter updates


**Latest Blog Posts**



**Blog 1**  
Short description



**Blog 2**  
Short description



**Blog 3**  
Short description

**Get Updates!**

First Name \*

Last Name \*

Email \*

Sign Up

# Key Features - School Lookup



Manual search for school name

Filter by state

Filter by school name

The screenshot shows the HAZING School Lookup interface. At the top, the HAZING INFO.ORG logo is on the left, and navigation links for 'School Lookup', 'Resources', and 'About' are on the right. Below the navigation is a banner image of three students. A blue bar with the text 'School Lookup' is positioned below the banner. Underneath is a search bar with a magnifying glass icon and the text 'Q Search'. Below the search bar are two filter buttons: 'Institution' and 'State'. The 'State' button has a dropdown arrow. Below the filters is a grid of six school cards. Each card displays the school name, location, and state. The schools listed are: University of Washington-Seattle Campus (Seattle, Washington), Washington State University (Pullman, Washington), Bastyr University (Kenmore, Washington), City University of Seattle, Gonzaga University, and Seattle Pacific University.

Institution	State
University of Washington-Seattle Campus Seattle, Washington	Washington
Washington State University Pullman, Washington	Washington
Bastyr University Kenmore, Washington	Washington
City University of Seattle	
Gonzaga University	
Seattle Pacific University	

# Key Features - School Overview



**Washington State University**  
Pullman,  
Washington

## How Prevalent is Hazing at Washington State University?

Hazing Incidents	School Hazing Policy	Hazing Report Form
<a href="#">View Report</a>	<a href="#">View Policy</a>	<a href="#">View Form</a>

**School Contact**  
Center for Community Standards:  
[community.standards@wsu.edu](mailto:community.standards@wsu.edu)

**State law requires this institution to publicly report hazing incidents.**  
Learn more about how to interpret and understand a hazing transparency report using [this resource](#).

Check out your state's anti-hazing law and requirements for schools.

[Read This State's Policy](#)

Access incidence reports

Access hazing policy

Report hazing

Contact admin

Access state legislation

View recent news

## Washington State University in the News About Hazing

### Pullman Radio

According to the WSU Hazing Prevention Advisory Committee webpage, the alleged hazing occurred on February 3rd. The institution is also ...

February 27, 2024

Are you an institution administrator or professional staff?

If you see something incorrect about your institution's information, please let us know!

[Contact Us](#)



Jake

# Ethical Considerations



## Our Values

**Accuracy**

**Integrity**

**Transparency**

## Ethical Concerns

**No information  $\neq$  no  
hazing**

**Parents and families  
know how to read data**

**Quality and availability  
of information**

## Addressing Harms

**Providing sources  
directly from school**

**Fair representation**

# Next Steps?



- Our site is live!
- Preparing for handoff to the team at UW iSchool to grow the database of states and features

Visit our site now at [HazingInfo.org](https://HazingInfo.org)

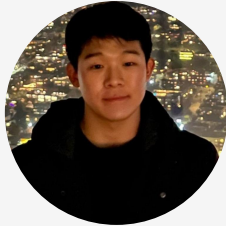
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**THANK YOU**

