

## ARTICLE XI: PHILANTHROPY

### 11.1 OVERVIEW

1. All member organizations of the Interfraternity Council shall not participate in, or host, any philanthropic event which involves university living groups that does not abide by all guidelines in this policy.
2. Each member organization of the Interfraternity Council is entitled to one five (5) day long philanthropy through the entire academic year. Each member organization is also entitled to one additional five (5) day joint-philanthropy, in which they partner with another member organization of the Interfraternity Council and/or Panhellenic Council. Joint philanthropies must be registered in the same manner as individual chapter philanthropies.
3. Member organizations are entitled to three single-day philanthropies throughout the entire academic year.
4. Court Competitions, (i.e. an event where contestants participate in events in order to gain the status of a “queen” or “maiden” of a fraternity) falls under the rules of philanthropy and must abide by all of the bylaws regarding philanthropy events.
  - a. If the court competition is for a philanthropy, it may be up to five (5) days long, and will count as the chapter’s one five (5) day long philanthropy event for the year.
  - b. If the court competition is not for philanthropy, it will not be counted as the chapter’s one five (5) day long philanthropy and the chapter may still hold one five (5) day long philanthropy during the school year.
5. Only one individual IFC chapter philanthropy or one joint-philanthropy is allowed to take place during the same period. However, a chapter may host a philanthropy overlapping one day with a multiday philanthropy if needed. The philanthropy calendar will be available on the UW IFC website, the calendar will display all available philanthropy times. If a chapter needs to change the date of their philanthropy after already submitting a registration form, they must contact the Director of Programming at least three (3) weeks prior to the start date of the event. Failure to do so will result in the forfeiture of their allotted dates.
6. The host chapter(s) shall notify the IFC Director of Programming of their intended philanthropy at least thirty days prior to a multi-day event, and fourteen days prior to a single day event. Registrations submitted after these dates are subject to the discretion of the IFC Director of Programming. A valid registration form must include:
  - a. Name of host chapter(s).
  - b. Name of event.
  - c. Entry Fee.
  - d. Detailed schedule of events (including activities, approximate beginning and end times for each activity, and location.)
    - i. For competitions, there must also be a rubric attached as to how winners will be chosen.
  - e. Benefiting organization.
  - f. Dates of Philanthropy/Court Competition.

- g. Contact Person.
  - h. Contact Information.
7. The registration form must be submitted to the IFC Director of Programming and Panhellenic VP of Philanthropy and Service. The Director of Programming will contact the chapter's philanthropy chair as to whether or not an event has been approved via email at least 20 days prior to the start of the event. If an event's approval status is revoked due to a violation of the philanthropy event rules and guidelines, the chapter shall be notified no less than 15 days before the event date. If a chapter chooses to participate without the approval they will be in violation of this policy. Chapters also may not advertise to Panhellenic chapters prior to the Panhellenic VP of Philanthropy and Service's approval.
  8. The host chapter shall notify eligible participant chapters by 5:00 pm on the Monday of the week prior to the competition. At this time, the approved schedule will be given to the appropriate representative of the participant chapter.
  9. Competitions must be open to all members and new members. An unlimited number of observers may be present.
  10. Exceptions to these policies are at the discretion of the Director of Programming.

## 11.2 RULES AND GUIDELINES

1. No inappropriate or degrading materials may be used in the activities scheduled by the host chapter. Events that require participants must be for the benefit of a charitable cause.
2. Competitions shall be fun and positive, and activities will not single out or embarrass any contestants. No demeaning activities (by hosts or by participants) are allowed. Slandering of other organizations is not allowed.
3. Competitions shall not require a specific individual's commitment to gain points or win the competition. (i.e. chapters may not require women do anything as a term of winning the event)
4. Alcohol shall never be involved in any activity during the time in which the competition is being held, directly prior, following, or in any setting associated with the event. Contestants shall not purchase or provide alcohol for the host chapter or any of its members, nor shall the host chapter use corporate or personal funds for the purchase of any alcohol for their members or the contestant. Any team or participant intoxicated at the event will be disqualified and in violation of this policy.
5. T-shirts or other favors may not be the sole basis of awarding points. Tasteless or inappropriate messages on T-Shirts will not be allowed.
6. All philanthropies and/or court competitions should be in compliance with chapters' headquarters' risk management and insurance policies. (For example: most headquarters' policies do not allow for bouncy houses).
7. The Interfraternity Council reserves the authority to interpret the aforementioned policy. Violation of this policy may result in a standards board hearing.
8. If a philanthropy event is held to raise money for a different philanthropy (e.g. A fraternity feed to raise money for a sorority philanthropy) this must also be registered in the same way as a stand-alone philanthropy event. This will not count towards the chapters' allotted philanthropies for the year.