

FSB FAQ:

What is the line between FSB and DOS or FSB and Panhellenic/IFC?

- For most chapter-based code of conduct (alleged) violations, the Fraternal Standards Board has the opportunity to adjudicate and run its process to determine responsibility and if responsible, dole out educational sanctions.

How much power does FSB have? (punitively)

- The role of FSB is not about 'power' and rather accountability. The sanctions that come from FSB are educational/developmental in nature or a status-sanction, meaning limitations on specified activities for a particular time frame (i.e., social probation or disciplinary probation).

What does FSB do to prevent missteps before they happen?

- FSB is a reactionary body, who operate after an incident occurs. That being said, each chapter has the opportunity to have a member of their organization serve and train on the FSB. The member should be helping coach the chapter into behaviors and practices that will not land them before the FSB. This is also why FSB broadly shares information on their process and resultant sanctions so the community can understand the issue/violation and resultant outcomes.

How can I report something to FSB? What should I report to FSB?

- Any behaviors that you see inconsistent with the mission, vision, or Code of Conduct of the University of Wyoming or not in alignment with the values of our FSL community should be brought to the attention of FSB. There exist a reporting mechanism on the FSL website, emails can be sent to fsl-fsb@uwyo.edu, or emails/in person reports can be sent to the FSL Advisor.

How does FSB confidentiality work?

- All FSB Members sign a confidentiality document from the Dean of Students Office. Majority of matters discussed on FSB are confidential, but after every hearing chapters are allowed broad information on the incident such as the allegations, if the chapter took responsibility, and any sanctions given by FSB. This is just a way to show our community how we hold each other accountable.

What is FSB?

- The Fraternal Standards Board or FSB is our community's standards board and is used in instances where there are allegations of chapter-based UW Code of Conduct violations. All chapters are welcomed to have members apply to create the board. The Fraternal Standards Board (FSB) functions under the direction of the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office designee, in partnership with the Fraternity and Sorority Life Office, will oversee the selection of Board Members and both the annual and on-going training, and advise during conduct proceedings to assure that the FSB is following proper processes and that chapters are participating in a fair process.

Who can be on FSB?

Anyone who applies to be a member on FSB should meet the following requirements:

- Be an active member, in good standing, of a UW fraternity and sorority
- Maintain academic standing and a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA
- Maintain a strong disciplinary record with the Dean of Students Office
- Be devoted to the general ideals and principles of FSL and conduct themselves in a professional manner consistent with shared FSL values and ideals.
- Have working knowledge of each council's constitution and bylaws, UW policies, and risk management policies
- Cannot be a current member of a Council Executive Board or serve as their chapter president
- Must complete formal FSB policies and procedures training prior to serving on FSB

What are the expectations?

All FSB Members are expected to:

- Attend an all-day training at the beginning of the spring semester.
- Maintain availability for participation in FSB meetings/hearings on Thursdays from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
- Participate in a development workshop in the Fall semester
- Be knowledgeable about the Student Code of Conduct
- Read all materials related to an incident to prepare for initial meetings, informal resolution or hearing
- Act as an effective and cooperative group member
- Maintain confidentiality at all times
- Maintain a 3.0 cumulative gpa
- Be an active member in good standing

What are the perks?

Serving as a Fraternal Standards Board member is more than just a resume builder! Students who participate as FSB Board Members will:

- Contribute to building a culture of care, accountability, and high standards for the FSL community
- Develop stronger critical thinking and decision-making abilities
- Fostering skills in navigating difficult conversations with peers
- Develop knowledge of conduct expectations, evidentiary standards and adjudication processes
- Learn to help peers reflect and identify areas for growth within their organization
- Participate in on-going professional development with members of other chapters and university staff and administration