# The University of Iowa Fraternity and Sorority Life Community Crisis Management Quick Reference Guide

#### Officer in Charge

The president is the Officer In Charge of every emergency. Final decision rests with the Officer In Charge

President:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Ph \_\_\_\_\_

If the President is not available, contact the following officers in rank order.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Ph \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_ Ph \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_ Ph \_\_\_\_\_

5. Ph

No action should be taken without the consent of the Officer in Charge.

# **Advisor and Headquarters Information**

Contact the following individuals as soon as possible.

Chapter/Graduate Advisor

Inter/National or Regional Officer

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Corporation Board Contact:

Ph

# **University Officials**

If necessary, call 911, then contact a University Official. Proceed through this list, in order, until you reach someone. Explain that there is an emergency and provide details.

#### Additional Phone Numbers:

Iowa City Fire Department (non-emergency)	319-356-5260
UI PD (non-emergency)	319-335-5022
IC PD (non-emergency)	319-356-5275

## **If Necessary Call 911**

- Be calm and concise
- Provide complete information to the dispatcher

### **Contact Officer in Charge**

- Contact the President
- If the President is not available, contact the next responsible Officer in Charge
- The Officer in Charge has final decision making authority and should refer to all Emergency guidelines (both University & International).

#### **Restrict Access and Phone Use**

- Assign members to restrict individuals from leaving or entering the location of the incident, depending on the situation
- Assign a responsible member to answer phone calls and take messages
- Keep members off personal phones to avoid rumors.

# **Contact University and Organization Officials**

- Call through the list of University Officials until someone has been reached.
- Call Advisor as soon as possible
- Do not discuss the situation with the public until University and organization officials have arrived to help

## **Coordinate Chapter Response**

- Assemble members to explain the situation. In the case of an attempted suicide, wait for a University or organization official to arrive.
- Explain that the Officer in Charge in the sole spokesperson for the chapter.
- Ask members to decline comment until the situation is under control.

#### **Address Public Interest**

- Only the Officer in Charge should speak on behalf of the chapter
- With the help of University and organization officials, prepare an official written statement before commenting to the press

### Follow-Up

- Do not contact parents until notified by University officials.
- In the event of a death, relocate roommates and restrict access to the member's room/possessions
- University officials may arrange for group/individual consultations.
- Refer to Emergency Procedures document for more specifics.