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Penn State University on Tuesday booted the Kappa Delta Rho fraternity from campus for at least three years after an investigation into the distribution of nude photos of unconscious women, hazing and harassment.

School administrators overruled the student-led Interfraternity Council and imposed the suspension after finding evidence fraternity brothers used drugs, tolerated hazing of new members, posted humiliating photos of members and non-members, shared pornographic pictures of women, and used "demeaning language to describe females."

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"The investigative report makes clear that some members of the KDR chapter promoted a culture of harassing behavior and degradation of women," Damon Sims, vice president for student affairs, said in a statement. "These are not acceptable actions within a student organization that is recognized and supported by Penn State. We must respond accordingly, and we hope by doing so it is clearly understood that our University will not tolerate such actions."

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The frat initially came under scrutiny after a brother tipped police in January to [two private Facebook pages](#)



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State College Police Lt. Keith Robb told HuffPost on Tuesday that the investigation of the Facebook pages remains unfinished.

The university announced its decision after the KDR national office erroneously said its Penn State chapter would not be removed from campus on the Intrafraternity Council's recommendation. The council had recommended allowing the frat to remain on campus with educational programs and new local advisory board members.

The council said in a May 13 document that brothers "were aware of the expectation that the new members publish, on a regular basis, a document titled 'Stall Stories' where active members and, in some instances, unaffiliated students were harassed and degraded in flyers left in public view throughout the chapter house."

The university said Tuesday that its probe found that pledges were forced into boxing matches, and had to "plank with bottle caps on their elbows," pressing the caps into their skin with their body weight. "Pledges also were made to create stories containing pornographic images and a 'sex position of the day'; members regularly posted embarrassing photos of women; used demeaning language to describe females; and cultivated a persistent climate of humiliation for several females," Penn State said.

KDR's national office said in March that it would expel misbehaving members, implement new education programs and join a consortium of national organizations that maintain a hazing hotline.

The frat didn't return request for comment after Penn State announced it was kicking KDR off campus.

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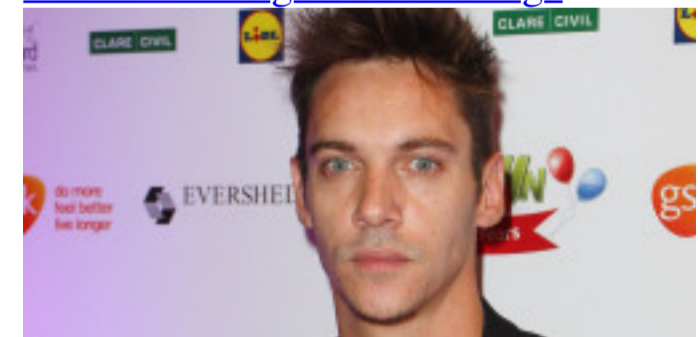
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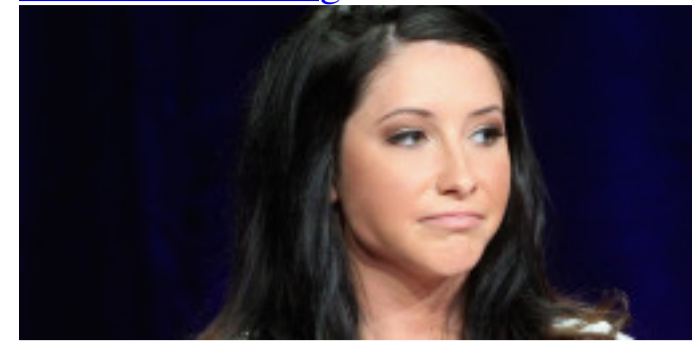
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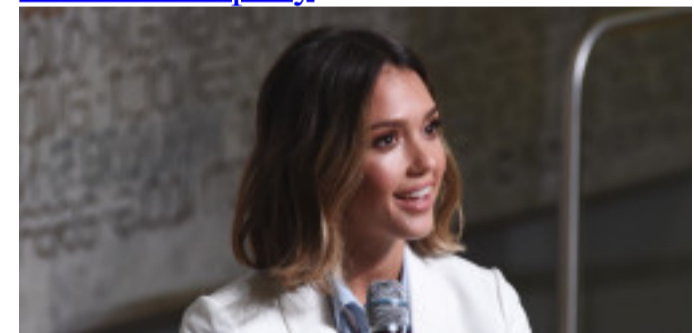
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