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**SA 0910-0010: Resolution in Support of the University of Wisconsin–La Crosse
Anti-Hazing Policy**

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WHEREAS; the UW-L Anti-Hazing Policy Task Force was created to revise the UW-L Anti-Hazing Policy; and,

WHEREAS; the task force had 4 student representatives; and,

WHEREAS; the UW-L Anti-Hazing Policy was adopted in 1968 and last revised in 1982; and,

WHEREAS; hazing is defined as a “forced activity” which is a condition of initiation or admission into or affiliation with an organization, regardless of a student’s willingness to participate in the activity; and,

WHEREAS; hazing also includes any action taken or situation created, intentionally, whether on or off-campus, that produces mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, or ridicule; this includes any action that endangers the health or well-being of an individual, is personally degrading, has an adverse effect on the academic performance of the student, or which violates any federal, state or local statute or University policy; and,

WHEREAS; it is the policy of the University that hazing does not contribute to the positive development and welfare of any individual or group; and,

WHEREAS; the Anti-Hazing Policy applies to all UW-L students, faculty, and staff; and,

WHEREAS; Wisconsin Statute 948.51 prohibits any form of hazing; and,

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WHEREAS; any violators of the hazing policy can be sanctioned by the University and/or State of Wisconsin; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse Student Senate supports the revised UW-La Crosse Anti-Hazing Policy; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; a copy of this resolution will be sent to the Student Activities Office, the Office of Student Life, the Office of Residence Life, Greek Life, Club Sports; Music Department, and Athletics; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED; that the UWL Student Senate acknowledges and appreciates the efforts of the UW-L Anti-Hazing Task Force members and other invested parties in the rewriting of the UW-L Anti-Hazing Policy.

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