

Journal Submission Fee Request: The Effect of Fraternity Moratoriums on Alcohol Offenses and Sexual Assaults

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Research Overview

I exploit variation in timing from 44 temporary university-wide halts on all fraternity activity with alcohol (*moratoriums*) across 37 universities over 2014-2019. I construct a novel data set, merging incident-level crime logs from university police departments to provide the first causal estimates of the effect of moratoriums on reports of alcohol offenses and sexual assaults. In particular, I find robust evidence that moratoriums decrease alcohol offenses by 26%. Additionally, I find suggestive evidence that moratoriums decrease reports of sexual assault on the weekends by 29%. However, I do not find evidence of long-term changes once the moratorium is lifted.

Project Objective

The objective of this project is to be a published journal article. It will be useful to have a journal article on my resume for when I am applying to academic jobs in Fall 2023. Moreover, this will be a chapter in my dissertation.

Proposal Narrative

Please see the most recent draft of the working paper which can be found [here](#) for all details on the methodology.

Schedule of Project

This project has been completed and is now awaiting journal submission.

Detailed Budget

The budget for this proposal is **\$150.00**. It is a one-time payment for the journal submission fee at the Journal of Human Resources. It will be paid at soonest convenience to the Economics Department, although a proposed date is **Tuesday, July 5, 2022**.