

Shawnee State University

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| POLICY TITLE: | ALCOHOL – GENERAL RULES |
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| RESPONSIBLE OFFICER(S): | CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER |
| APPROVED BY: | BOARD OF TRUSTEES |

1.0 PURPOSE

Shawnee State University is committed to a healthy and safe environment for students, faculty and staff, and visitors in venues where the presence of alcohol does not interfere with the learning experience or the peaceful environment of the campus and community. To that end, this policy establishes parameters for the purchase, possession, distribution, and consumption of alcohol as described herein and in accordance with related procedures.

2.0 STUDENT EVENTS (UNIVERSITY-SPONSORED ON AND OFF CAMPUS)

For University-sponsored events targeted to students, student purchase, possession, distribution, and consumption of alcoholic beverages are prohibited without prior authorization. This includes events on or off campus, and in University-provided vehicles.

3.0 ON-CAMPUS EVENTS AND CONFERENCES

The prior-approved purchase and consumption of alcoholic beverages on University property for events and conferences must be in accordance with the exclusive food services agreement and any alcohol operating license held and maintained by the University and/or its food services vendor.

4.0 INSURANCE

If the event at which alcohol is purchased and/or consumed is sponsored by a non-University group or individual, proof of an appropriate level of liability insurance may be required. Decisions about insurance requirements will be made by the University events office in collaboration with the University's risk manager.

5.0 STUDENT HOUSING

5.1 The sale of alcoholic beverages in residence halls (owned or managed by the University) is prohibited.

- 5.2 The possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages for legal-aged (age 21 or older) residents is permitted in residence halls contingent upon compliance with established residence hall rules, University policy and procedures, and subject to full compliance with state and local laws.

6.0 PERSONAL CONDUCT

Patrons, including students, attending events at which alcoholic beverages are served will be held responsible for their personal conduct, as well as the conduct of guests. A violation of this policy may be found when University officials or the Department of Public Safety determine that an individual's conduct while possessing or consuming an alcoholic beverage is irresponsible, disorderly, or inconsiderate.

7.0 GENERAL PROHIBITION

- 7.1 The use or sale of alcohol by any person (students, employees and visitors) on campus property (managed or owned by the University) or at University-sponsored off campus activities is prohibited in instances that are inconsistent with state or local laws or restrictions as established by this policy or an accompanying procedure.

- 7.2 Violations of University policy or engagement in illegal actions will result in the involved individual(s) being subject to University sanctions and/or enforcement of applicable laws by DPS or local/state law enforcement.

8.0 PROCEDURES

The President will ensure the establishment of procedures necessary to effectively implement this policy.

[Ref: Residence Handbook](#)

[Ref: Student Conduct Code](#)

History

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Applicable Procedures: [3.19:1 Alcohol – On-Campus Events and Conferences](#)