

Colorado State University – Pueblo

Alcohol and Other Drug Policy

PURPOSE

Colorado State University-Pueblo recognizes the dangers and effects that alcohol and other drugs have on the success of students and believes that the health and safety of our students are fundamental to developing and sustaining an environment that furthers academic and student development.

This Policy applies to all students, student organizations, Greek organizations, athletic and club sports teams, and to their visitors at CSU-Pueblo. In addition, students, student organizations, Greek organizations, and athletic and club sports teams at CSU-Pueblo are held to the standards of this Policy whether on or off-campus.

POLICY

CSU-Pueblo students, student organizations, Greek organizations, athletic and club sports teams, and their visitors must comply with all local, state, and federal laws concerning alcohol and other drugs. CSU-Pueblo will not tolerate the excessive, inappropriate, or illegal use or abuse of alcohol or other drugs.

A. Alcohol

1. Underage Possession or Consumption

If you are under age 21, you cannot purchase, possess, or consume alcohol.

2. Providing Alcohol to Minors

No student, regardless of age, shall provide alcohol to anyone under age 21.

3. Public Intoxication

Being intoxicated by alcohol in a public space, and being a danger to yourself or others is prohibited.

4. Severe Intoxication

Being intoxicated by alcohol to a level that requires, or appears to require, medical attention or supervision by others, is prohibited.

5. Drinking Games and Paraphernalia

The possession or use of drinking devices that dispense alcohol, such as funnels, luges, keg taps, etc. is prohibited. The promotion, possession or playing of alcohol drinking games, such as beer pong, is prohibited.

6. Alcohol in the Residence Halls

Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages or the possession of alcohol containers (including empty alcohol containers) is prohibited in the Belmont, Crestone, Culebra, and Greenhorn residence halls, regardless of age.

7. Alcohol in Other University Housing

Students and guests age 21 and older are permitted to possess and consume alcohol inside their private apartments in University Village at Walking Stick Apartments provided that the legal consumption of alcohol does not violate any University policy. Any group or organization that meets in University Village at Walking Stick Apartments must also comply with regulations as provided by the Office of Student Engagement and Leadership.

8. Irresponsible Serving of Alcohol

When providing alcohol to those of the legal age to drink, students must practice responsible serving procedures. Irresponsible serving procedures include, but are not limited to: providing alcohol to intoxicated individuals, providing alcohol to minors, allowing such individuals to drive, or creating environments of binge drinking.

9. Driving While Ability Impaired or Driving Under the Influence

Students are required to follow the laws of the State of Colorado regarding alcohol and/or drugs and driving. Students receiving citations for DWAI or DUI may also be sanctioned by the University.

B. Other Drugs

1. Possession, Use, or Sale of Marijuana

Pursuant to Federal law, possession, use, or sale of marijuana is prohibited on campus. Marijuana possession, use or sale is also prohibited at University sponsored events, even if held off-campus.

2. Medical Marijuana

Students and guests who have been issued a Medical Marijuana Identification Card by the State of Colorado, or have a license from another state, may not possess, use, or sell marijuana on University property, including in University housing areas. Medical Marijuana possession, use or sale is also prohibited at University sponsored events, even if held off-campus.

3. Illicit Substances

Possession, use, or sale of illicit substances is prohibited. Illicit substances include scheduled amphetamines, anabolic steroids, cocaine, hallucinogens, heroin, inhalants, marijuana, methamphetamines, tranquilizers, etc. Unscheduled substances are also prohibited (e.g. street drugs).

4. Prescription Medication

Students or guests who have been prescribed medications (including scheduled drugs) may only use those medications as prescribed. Any other use or unauthorized sale is prohibited.

C. Medical Amnesty & Emergencies

1. Medical Amnesty

CSU-Pueblo encourages all students to call for help when any sign of alcohol poisoning or drug overdose is observed. Students who call for help to assist a friend or themselves may be eligible for medical amnesty. Students who are provided medical amnesty may not be subject to disciplinary sanctions; however, educational sanctions may be applied. Receipt of medical amnesty is at the discretion of the Director of Student Judicial Affairs.

2. Failure to Respond to an Alcohol or Drug-Related Emergency

Students who fail to call for medical assistance in an alcohol or drug-related emergency may be subject to disciplinary action and may receive enhanced sanctions.

PROCEDURE

Violations of this Alcohol and Other Drug Policy shall be adjudicated in accordance with the Code of Student Conduct & Adjudication. The University may adjudicate violations of standards that occurred off-campus and have, or may have threatened to cause an impact on the University's activities, or on the health, safety, or security of the University, its members, or the community. The decision whether to adjudicate a specific off-campus incident shall be made at the discretion of the Director of Student Judicial Affairs.

DEFINITIONS

A. Alcohol, Alcoholic Beverages, and Alcohol Containers

- Alcohol is any substance with ethyl alcohol or ethanol designed for the purpose of human consumption.
- An alcoholic beverage is defined as any liquid containing at least 3.2% ethanol (or pure alcohol). A standard size drink of alcohol is one 12 oz. beer, one 5 oz. glass of wine, one 1.5 oz. shot of an eighty-proof liquor, one 12 oz. wine cooler, or any beverage with an equivalent ethanol (or pure alcohol) content of approximately 0.5-0.6 per oz.
- An alcohol container is any container (glass, aluminum can, etc.) in which alcohol is or was contained. This includes retail containers, thermoses, kegs, etc.

B. Medical Amnesty

- An exception or pardon from disciplinary sanctions when a student calls for medical help for themselves or others.

RELATED POLICIES & PROCEDURES

- Code of Student Conduct & Adjudication
- Medical Marijuana Policy
- Sexual Misconduct Policy
- Tobacco Policy

AUTHORITY

The Alcohol and Other Drug Policy may be reviewed, modified, and approved by the Dean of Student Life in consultation with the Director of Student Judicial Affairs, the Coordinator of the Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Program, and any other appointed reviewers.

POLICY HISTORY

Revised: This policy was developed by the Policy Revision Team and received final approval on August 8, 2013 from Marjorie Villani, Acting Dean of Student Life.

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- Jessica Boynton, Director of Student Judicial Affairs
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