



DRUG FREE CAMPUS POLICY INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

Alcohol and Other Drugs

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Consistent with its mission of enabling students to reach their educational goals, California State University, Northridge is committed to creating a campus environment that is free from both the illegal and the harmful use of alcohol and drugs.

It is the policy of California State University, Northridge that the manufacture, possession, distribution, sale or use of alcohol or illicit drugs on-campus, or off-campus while on university business or participating in University sponsored functions, is prohibited. Drugs may be possessed or used as legally prescribed or when lawfully permitted for the purpose of research or instruction.

The purpose of this policy is to delineate university regulations concerning alcohol and drugs, provide procedural guidelines, communicate the consequences of failing to adhere to established policies, and provide guidance as to available resources. Complete text of the policy and procedural guidelines can be viewed at:

www-admn.csun.edu/vp/policies/900_oversight/900_06.htm

This policy is a significant component of the University's overall compliance with the Drug-Free Schools and Campuses regulations, which implement the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989. The University respects the rights of individuals within the University under circumstances authorized by this policy. Members of the campus community, particularly students, who elect not to use alcoholic beverages, or not to include alcohol as part of sponsored events and activities, will be fully supported in that choice. The use of alcohol or other legal drugs in a manner that undermines a campus climate of civility, collegiality, reasoned debate, and adherence to the policies contained herein is not consistent with the Values of California State University, Northridge and will not be tolerated.

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Risks Associated with Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse

Category	Potential Effects of the Drug	
Depressants (Alcohol, Valium, Barbiturates, GHB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decreased respirations • Decreased blood pressure • Sedation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impaired coordination • Lowered inhibitions • Reduced anxiety
Stimulants (Cocaine, MDMA [ecstasy], amphetamines)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased respirations • Increased pulse rate • Increased blood pressure • Excitation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insomnia • Loss of appetite • MDMA - mild hallucinogenic effects
Marijuana (Hashish)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased heart rate • Anxiety • Impaired learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impaired memory • Slowed reaction time
Opiates (Heroin, Morphine, Opium, Codeine, Vicodin, Oxycontin)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decreased respirations • Sedation • Drowsiness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Euphoria • Constipation • Heroin - staggered gait
Club Drugs (MDMA [Ecstasy], LSD, Ketamine, Rohypnol, LSD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MDMA - Increased heart rate & blood pressure, teeth clenching, euphoria, feelings of empathy & trust • LSD - Increased heart rate, blood pressure, & body temperature. Loss of appetite, numbness, weakness, tremors, & sleeplessness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ketamine - Floating sensation, slowed breathing, delirium, feelings of being out of one's body • Rohypnol - Sedative effects • GHB - Decreased respirations, decreased blood pressure, extremely easy to overdose
Predatory Drugs Used by some people to "prey" on others. (Alcohol, GHB, Rohypnol)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol - Decreased respirations, decreased blood pressure, sedation, impaired coordination, lowered inhibitions, reduced anxiety 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GHB - Decreased respirations, decreased blood pressure, extremely easy to overdose • Rohypnol - Sedative effects

Definitions:

The term "alcohol" includes: alcohol, spirits, liquor, wine, beer, and every liquid or solid containing alcohol, spirits, wine, or beer and which contains one-half of 1 percent or

more of alcohol by volume and which is fit for beverage purposes either alone or when diluted, mixed or combined with other substances (Business and Professions Code, Sections 23004). The term “illicit drug” includes any dangerous drug, restricted drug, or narcotic as those terms are used in California Statutes, and all substances regulated under federal law through the Controlled Substances Act, including but not limited to marijuana, cocaine derivatives, heroin, “crack,” amphetamines, barbiturates, LSD, PCP, and substances typically known as “designer drugs” such as “ecstasy” and “eve.”

Penalties:

California law* defines penalties that apply to anyone convicted of the manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of controlled substances.

Misdemeanor convictions for workplace and campus drug violations can result in a fine, community service, and incarceration of up to one year.

Felony convictions for workplace and campus drug use can result in substantial fines and a lengthy sentence in state prison. Most drug-use convictions are defined as felony acts.

Violation of campus regulations subjects students to disciplinary actions and sanctions which may include expulsion, suspension, probation, withdrawal of financial aid or lesser sanctions.

Violation of the University policy or conviction of a drug offense while on campus or off campus when in work status by faculty or staff shall be grounds for appropriate disciplinary actions up to and including dismissal.

*California Health and Safety Code, Chapter 6

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Campus Resources for CSUN Students

Klotz Student Health Center	(818) 677-3666	TTY: (818) 677-3692
University Counseling Services	(818) 677-2366	TTY: (818) 677-7834
Vice President, Student Affairs	(818) 677-2391	TTY: (818) 677-7677

Community Resources

AL-ANON	(818) 760-7122
Alcoholics Anonymous	(818) 988-3001
Cocaine Anonymous	(818) 760-8402
Marijuana Anonymous	(805) 491-2431
Matrix Institute on Addictions	(800) 310-7700
Narcotics Anonymous	(818) 773-9999
Tarzana Treatment Centers	(818) 996-1051