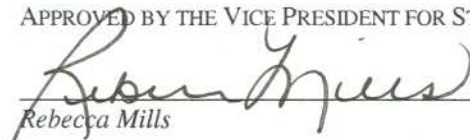


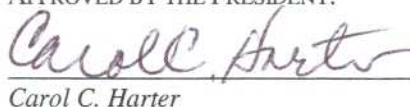
**ALCOHOL RESPONSE POLICY AND
GUIDELINES FOR UNLV STUDENTS**

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POLICY STATEMENT

UNLV has a commitment to its students, the campus community, as well as the local community to be proactive in its educational responsibilities which include responsible standards of behavior relative to alcoholic beverages. As a part of this commitment, UNLV includes educating the campus community regarding the responsible consumption and / or distribution of alcoholic beverages, as well as responses for misuse and / or abuse, as one of its responsibilities.

REASON FOR POLICY

The Alcohol Response Policy and Guidelines (ARP&G) have been developed to provide guidance for the University of Nevada, Las Vegas' (UNLV's) students, staff, and faculty regarding both proactive responses and possible outcomes / sanctions that may be used relative to students' consumption, distribution, possession, and / or sale of alcoholic beverages. As a result, all incidents involving alcohol use/misuse by students will be communicated to and coordinated through the Office of

Student Conduct for UNLV. This ARP&G is to be referenced and used to support and enforce alcoholic beverage laws and policies which will include, but not be limited to:

- Board of Regents' Handbook
<<http://system.nevada.edu/Board-of-R/Handbook/index.htm>>
- Clark County Code (CCC)
<<http://ordlink.com/codes/clarknv/index.htm>>
- Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS)
<<http://www.leg.state.nv.us/nrs/>>
- Student Conduct Code
<<http://www.unlv.edu/studentlife/judicial/StudentConductCode04.pdf>>
- Campus Housing Policies and Procedures
<<http://housing.unlv.edu/housing-policies.htm>>

ENTITIES AFFECTED BY THIS POLICY

The entire UNLV campus community.

WHO SHOULD READ THIS POLICY

All members of the UNLV campus community.

WEBSITE ADDRESS FOR THIS POLICY

Student Life <<http://studentlife.unlv.edu/>>

PROCEDURES

UNLV's PROACTIVE RESPONSE

UNLV recognizes on-campus and off-campus social gatherings and student activities are an important part of campus life and realizes alcoholic beverages may be offered at some of these events / activities. Additionally, students and / or student organizations may engage in

events / activities in which they independently choose to involve alcohol beverages. UNLV wishes to respond proactively to the knowledge that alcohol may be involved in these events and that individual students and organizations may choose to involve alcohol in their activities. UNLV's proactive response is designed to promote the sharing and understanding of knowledge around the subject of alcohol use / management / abuse in the early stages of membership into the University community.

Ultimately, the University seeks to provide this knowledge and information as a guide for individuals and organizations in attending, planning, and / or providing a safe, healthy, and enjoyable event.

Proactive Response Components:

1. Select first-year students will be asked to participate in an alcohol education program. This program may include freshmen living in the residence halls, Greek organizations, athletics, and/or leadership groups prior to arriving to campus. UNLV is considering purchasing the "Outside-the-Classroom" Population-Level Online Program. This program would then be administered to incoming students prior to or immediately following arrival on campus as pilot program.
2. Participation in the above program would serve as an additional affirmation of their knowledge and understanding of the policy and risks associated with student alcohol use.

CONSEQUENCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE

The following levels of outcomes / sanctions will be determined on a case-by-case basis for each individual student violating the student conduct code and in which alcohol was involved. These levels are not necessarily used in order of the number of violations committed. For example, normally for a student's first violation the "Level One" responses would be used for determining sanctions. In the event, however, that a student's actions are deemed more severe (even if it is the first violation), the student may face sanctions from any or all of these levels.

I. Level One

A. Administrative Response:

1. Letter of Warning / Reprimand.
2. Parental Notification *Optional* (*see Parental Notification Policy*).

B. Educational Response:

1. Online internet-based alcohol education program (cost of the class is the student's responsibility).
2. Reflection Letter of Understanding.

C. Restitution:

1. \$25 and / or five (5) hours of community restitution service.
2. Decreased or increased community restitution service hours may be applied at the discretion of the conduct officer should mitigating or aggravating circumstances are found.

D. Total Cost to Student:

1. Administrative Informal Meeting and appropriate follow-up with Office of Student Conduct (OSC).
2. All Educational Responses and Restitution that are sanctioned (see B. and C. above).

II. Level Two

A. Administrative Response:

1. Disciplinary Probation for minimum of one (1) full academic semester.
2. Parental Notification (*see Parental Notification Policy*).

B. Educational Response:

1. Alcohol II (AI Ed Program) (cost of the class is the student's responsibility).
2. Reflection Letter of Understanding.

C. Restitution:

1. \$50 and / or 10 hours of community restitution service

2. Decreased or increased community restitution service hours may be applied at the discretion of the conduct officer should mitigating or aggravating circumstances are found.

D. Total Cost to Student:

1. Administrative Informal Meeting and appropriate follow-up with Office of Student Conduct (OSC).
2. All Educational Responses and Restitution that are sanctioned (see B. and C. above).

III. Level Three

A. Administrative Response:

1. Disciplinary Probation not less than one academic year, through the time at which the student graduates from the institution.
2. Parental Notification (*see Parental Notification Policy*).
3. If a student employee or student organization leader, the student's supervisor or advisor will be notified of the violation.

B. Educational Response:

1. Student Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) Alcohol Intake Assessment with ability to share student history with appropriate mental health professional (OSC will provide student case history to mental health professional with signed release from student).
2. Reflection Letter of Understanding (it is recommended that the areas of reflection to be addressed in the letter be discussed with CAPS).
3. Restriction of student's privilege to represent the University, internally or externally, in any extracurricular activity, or run for or hold an executive office in any student organization which is allowed to use University facilities, or which receives University funds.

C. Restitution:

1. Up to \$100 and / or 20 hours of community restitution service.
2. Decreased or increased community restitution service hours may be applied at the discretion of the conduct officer should mitigating or aggravating circumstances be found.

D. Total Cost to Student:

1. Administrative Informal Meeting and appropriate follow-up with Office of Student Conduct (OSC).
2. All Educational Responses and Restitution that are sanctioned (see B. and C. above).
3. Additional fees may apply, but are not determined by the Office of Student Conduct.

IV. Level Four

A. Administrative Response:

1. Student placed on disciplinary suspension, pending completion of the Conditional Readmission Checklist.
2. Completion of items listed on the Conditional Readmission Checklist (determined by the Conduct Officer) that may include any of the items listed in the Educational Response.
3. Transcript notation per the *UNLV Student Conduct Code*. The transcript notation for suspension is only for the length of time that a student is suspended. Once the suspension is over, the notation is removed from the transcript.
4. If a student employee or leader, the student's UNLV supervisor or advisor will be notified of the violation.

B. Educational Response(items on Conditional Readmission Checklist):

1. Alcohol intake assessment and / or follow-up treatment with ability to share student history with appropriate mental health professional (OSC will provide student case history to mental health professional with signed release from student).

2. Communication by appropriate mental health professional to UNLV Office of Student Conduct (with a signed release regarding confidentiality from the student) as to completion of sanction and/or required treatment.
3. Written opinion of an independent, qualified mental health professional with a specialty in the area of alcohol abuse that the student is currently able to return to the campus community and the student's ability to manage the behavior in question, as well as the basis for such opinion.
4. Reflection Letter of Understanding.
5. If the student returns and when the disciplinary suspension period has elapsed, the student will be placed on disciplinary probation for a period of time that is equal to the amount of time the student was suspended.
6. Conditions may waived or required pending mitigating or aggravating circumstances.

C. Restitution:

1. Additional fees may apply relating to the administrative costs incurred in disciplining and/or restoring student to active status by the University, as well as compensating for any damage to property or personal injury caused by student.

D. Total Financial Consequences to Student:

1. May vary depending upon the circumstances of each case (e.g., financial aid, scholarships, tuition, housing costs, etc.).

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Board of Regents of the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) reserves to the President of the University the authority and responsibility for matters of student discipline. This authority is delegated by the President to the Vice President of Student Life, as to the processing of disciplinary hearings and appeals. The Vice President of Student Life has designated the Office of Student Conduct as Unit within

the Division of Student Life responsible for the administration of this policy.

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