ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG PREVENTION PROGRAM BIENNIAL REVIEW 2014-2016



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UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY, STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK Drug-Free Schools and Campuses Regulations [EDGAR Part 86] Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Certification

The undersigned certifies that it has adopted and implemented an alcohol and other drug prevention program for its students and employees that, at a minimum, includes –

- 1. The annual distribution to each employee, and to each student who is taking one or more classes of any kind of academic credit except for continuing education units, regardless of the length of the student's program of study, of:
 - Standards of conduct that clearly prohibit, at a minimum, the unlawful possession, use or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students and employees on its property or as part of any of its activities
 - A description of the applicable legal sanctions under local, State, or Federal law for the unlawful possession or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol
 - A description of the health risks associated with the use of illicit drugs and the abuse of alcohol
 - A description of any drug or alcohol counseling, treatment or rehabilitation or re-entry programs that are available to employees or students
 - A clear statement that the institution will impose disciplinary sanctions on students and employees (consistent with State and Federal law), and a description of those sanctions, up to and including expulsion or termination of employment and referral for prosecution, for violations of the standards of conduct. A disciplinary sanction may include the completion of an appropriate rehabilitation program.

2. A biennial review by the institution of its alcohol and other drug prevention comprehensive program to:

- Determine its effectiveness and implement changes to its comprehensive alcohol and other drug prevention program and policies, if they are needed
- Ensure that its disciplinary sanctions are consistently enforced.

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Part I: Program Description and Goals

<u>Mission</u>

The University at Albany, State University of New York continues to implement and evaluate an innovative, comprehensive, targeted, evidence-based, and nationally-recognized Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention (AOD) Program for its entire campus community of 18,000 students and 4,000 employees.

All prevention program initiatives have been designed after:

- Evaluating the alcohol and other drug abuse prevention and intervention literature and receiving consultation from leading national researchers focused on AOD prevention and intervention among college students;
- Implementing annual needs assessment and outcome evaluation to determine student attitudes, perceptions, and health and risk behaviors;
- Establishing a multi-departmental President's Advisory Council on the Prevention of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse and Related Risk Behaviors at the University; and
- Consulting with campus representatives within the SUNY system.

Our alcohol and drug prevention program efforts seek to employ evidence-based practices at the individual, environmental, and systems levels to:

- Reduce binge drinking and illicit drug use and perceptions of peers' drinking and drug use rates by exposing all segments of our campus community to social norms messages and other preventive interventions delivered within a public health framework;
- Promote, reinforce and support healthy lifestyle choices and low risk behaviors and reduce the harms associated with alcohol and other drug use;
- Provide a welcoming and supportive environment to campus community members who are in recovery through the development of a Collegiate Recovery Program: and
- Disseminate information concerning the University at Albany prevention program to other colleges and universities on a local, state, and national scale.

Specific program objectives are met through a variety of strategies including ongoing process and outcome research and program evaluation, monthly meetings of program staff, teleconferencing using the satellite system capabilities of our campus, and the enhancement of alcohol and other drug education curricula through the infusion of social norms data into prevention and intervention strategies at the universal, selective, and indicated levels.

University Committees Charged with Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention

The President's Advisory Council on the Prevention of Alcohol and Other Drug Misuse and Related Risk Behaviors

<u>History</u>

In the spring of 1989, an alcohol-related student death on campus mobilized our community to demand a more concerted response to the problem of alcohol misuse. With a letter to the President, students from the Colonial Quadrangle lit the spark that led to the formation of the President's Advisory Council on the Prevention of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse, and its planning, research efforts, and institution-wide programs. Having begun its work in 1990, one of the Advisory Council's most significant early accomplishments was to conduct a survey of student attitudes and behaviors concerning alcohol and drug use and related risks. In addition, the Advisory Council sponsored forums that encouraged communication among administrators, faculty, staff, and students and hosted campus-wide lectures featuring nationally known speakers in the area of alcohol abuse prevention.

Due to the clear, assessment-based critical need to address a number of high-risk behaviors, such as underage drinking, the use of illegal substances, suicide risk, risky sexual behavior, sexual assault, and interpersonal violence, the mission of the Advisory Council was expanded in the fall of 2006, and the group was re-named, "The President's Advisory Council on the Prevention of Alcohol and Other Drug Misuse and Related Risk Behaviors".

Mission

The President's Advisory Council on the Prevention of Alcohol Misuse and Related Risk Behaviors provides consultation to the President's office regarding issues of policy and institution-wide programs and initiatives. It accomplishes this goal by ensuring a diverse and strong representation from faculty, staff, student, and parents within this group. The mission of the Advisory Council is:

- To advise the President's Office on matters pertaining to alcohol policy and policy addressing related risk behaviors for the institution;
- To advise members of the University community concerning prevention and intervention strategies which address the needs of individuals and groups affected adversely by the alcohol, other drug use, or other high-risk behaviors of students;
- To assess the prevalence of alcohol use and other risk behaviors, as well as attitudes and needs of our students;
- To assist in institutionalizing comprehensive, evidence-based alcohol and other drug abuse and related risk prevention and intervention strategies and initiatives;
- To assist in and make recommendations regarding the procurement of resources and grants

The Committee on University & Community Relations

During the fall of 1989, the University at Albany and the City of Albany experienced an increase in the number and intensity of complaints concerning the behavior of college students off campus. These complaints came from concerned neighbors, neighborhood associations and the local police department. The complaints were a result of parties in off-campus apartments involving alcohol as well as traffic to and from area taverns. The problems reported involved the abuse of alcohol, yelling and screaming late at night, large and unruly parties, loud music at night and to a lesser degree trash and litter.

As a result of these problems, the then Mayor of the City of Albany and the President of the University at Albany formed the "Task Force on University & Community Relations." This task force was composed of university and community members in a united effort to make recommendations for the problems identified. In the spring of 1990, the report of the task force was released and approved by both the Mayor of the City of Albany and the President of the University at Albany. This report included both proactive and reactive measures as part of a comprehensive and multifaceted approach to improve the situation in the neighborhoods where our off-campus students traditionally live. In addition, as the first recommendation of the task force, a permanent committee was established to both insure that the original recommendations would be implemented and additional initiatives would be developed. As the then "Director of Off-Campus Housing," I was asked to chair this committee - "The Committee on University & Community Relations."

In the fall of 1990 the committee began to meet on a monthly basis with the original overall goal of **improving relations between college students off campus and their long term neighbors**. Since that time its goals have been expanded to include **improving safety off campus**, developing alcohol and other drug prevention and education programs off-campus and improving the quality of life in neighborhoods off campus where college students reside. The committee is currently composed of student leaders and professional staff from the University at Albany as well as other local college, the Junior College of Albany/The Sage Colleges, Siena College and Hudson Valley Community College, officials from the Albany Police and Fire Departments as well as the Albany Common Council, neighborhood association representatives, community and religious leaders, tavern owners, landowners and representatives from the Empire State Restaurant and Tavern Association, the New York State Division of Alcohol Beverage Control and the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control. Membership is open to anybody who wishes to join.

The committee has been an excellent forum for open and honest interactions among all those attending who are not often seated at the same table. As Henry M. Madej, committee member and past President of the Pine Hills Neighborhood Association, stated: "The committee demonstrates that what seems to be the 'tradition' of increasing town-gown antagonism isn't necessarily inevitable. The energy of both can, when combined, be effective in developing creative solutions to many common quality of life issues." It has undertaken programs, among others, to educate landowners as well as students about expected tenant behavior, to inform college students about their rights and their responsibilities off campus, to deal effectively and in a timely manner with problems as they are reported, to help enforce local laws and ordinances regarding rental property and to methodically and cooperatively with the Albany Police Department and neighborhood associations log, identify and follow up on quality of life problems off campus. For example, to inform students living off campus about the various laws and ordinances impacted if they decide to host a party in their apartment, door tags entitled "Having a House Party? Don't Add Getting Arrested to Your Checklist!" have been distributed door-to-door in student neighborhoods a few days before students return to their apartments. In addition, the committee has developed several initiatives to educate students currently living on campus about local laws and ordinances as well as behavioral expectations off campus as a proactive measure.

Safety became paramount as a result of several incidents off campus a few years ago and has proven to be a unifying agent for both students and their long term neighbors. As a result a number of personal, property and fire safety initiatives were adopted by the committee. Safety continues to be a priority for the committee both in terms of reactive and proactive measures that have been enacted. Former Albany Police Chief and former committee member Robert Wolfgang states:

"From the law enforcement standpoint, Albany's Committee on University & Community Relations practiced community policing long before it became the popular thing for law enforcement to do. A group of concerned groups and individuals, each with a stake in the outcome and each able to impact on the problems to some extent, joined

forces to identify quality of life and crime issues that needed attention. The group, many of whom were not communicating before, pooled their resources and developed and executed plans to address those problems. In doing so, they succeeded in improving the quality of life in the neighborhood, decreased criminal activity, opened up lines of communication between affected parties and created an improved level of understanding."

Many of the incidents concerning inappropriate behavior off campus seemed to involve alcohol. As one initiative regarding the abuse of alcohol off campus, the **"Tavern Owner Advertisement Agreement"** program was initiated by the committee during the spring of 1995. The committee had discussed in length the issue of tavern advertising as it might impact the behavior of patrons, especially college students, while in a particular establishment and when they leave the premises. As a result, the committee arrived at a **voluntary** Tavern Owner Advertisement Agreement. Those tavern owners signing this document agreed to review the content of any and all advertising with the intention to promote: (1) the responsible and lawful consumption of alcoholic beverages and (2) appropriate as well as civil behavior when leaving their establishment. In addition they agreed to comply with current policies and procedures concerning the posting and distribution of advertisements for the City of Albany, the University at Albany and The College of Saint Rose, copies of which are provided to the tavern owners with the agreement.

Specifically taverns that signed this agreement agreed to fashion their advertising to: (1) include a statement asking all patrons of their establishment to behave responsibly and in a civil manner in the surrounding neighborhood, (2) emphasize the necessity of being 21 years of age or older and possessing the appropriate valid means of identification to prove such, (3) avoid terminology which promotes the irresponsible consumption of alcoholic beverages, and (4) promote and advertise non-alcoholic beverage specials as much as alcoholic beverage specials. A copy of a "Cooperating Tavern" sign is provided for display to those taverns who sign this agreement. In addition a sheet of Cooperating Tavern logos are also provided for inclusion on their advertisements. This program is part of the cooperative effort with tavern owners located in the traditional student neighborhoods that the committee wants to foster to achieve its goals and also gain a better understanding of their perspective regarding these goals. As Michael Byron, owner of the "Washington Tavern," a popular student bar, states: "The Tavern Owner Advertisement Agreement is a good first step in promoting the responsible advertising of alcoholic beverages by taverns in the City of Albany."

To date there have been some violations of the agreement by some taverns, but generally all tavern owners who have signed have made changes in their advertisements to comply with this voluntary agreement. In addition, communication between tavern owners and members of the Committee on University and Community Relations has been greatly increased. This has resulted in other cooperative efforts between all parties involved as other problems and issues involving the consumption of alcohol by college students are identified.

Although the committee does not have all the answers concerning improving town-gown relations, making life safer off campus, dealing with underage drinking and the abuse of alcohol by college-age students and improving the quality of life in neighborhoods off campus where college students reside, we do feel that over the past decades we have devised several proactive and reactive programs that have been effective to date in dealing with these challenges in our college communities.

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Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Program Goals

Goals of the Division of Student Affairs, which is responsible for oversight of the University at Albany's Comprehensive Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention program, and its comprehensive AOD program are nested within the strategic plan of the University at Albany and are consonant with the strategic values and strategic goals. It is essential to the achievement of our University goals – our educational mission – that we acknowledge that alcohol and drug use has a damaging effect on academic performance. Yet, it is also essential that we see it as a societal problem, and, therefore, a double challenge to those of us in higher education. This is a challenge that we must meet because these behaviors undermine the core of our mission and values. In fact, the health and safety of our students must form the foundation of engaged learning, and, as presidents and academic leaders, we must assist our communities – faculty, staff and students - to make this connection.

The University's top strategic goals are to provide a distinctive, student – centered undergraduate learning experience that is highly competitive and to provide distinguished graduate and professional programs. Through student recruitment efforts, curricular innovations, community engagement, and campus life improvements, the University is taking major steps towards achieving those goals. Implementing our comprehensive Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Program is one of those major steps.

To retain highly qualified students, the University must, in fact, be a student-centered university where all work to enhance the quality of life on campus. Critical to this endeavor is the continual review of all of our services – to determine how they can best meet the needs of our students. Of course, the health and safety of these students must always be at the forefront of our concerns.

In this spirit, the University at Albany has set the following AOD prevention goals:

Presidential Leadership

Goal: The University at Albany President will continue to be vocal, visible, and visionary in the area of AOD prevention and will continue to support all initiatives at the University which have demonstrated success.

Status: Goal achieved. During the Biennial Review period, President Robert J. Jones and Interim President James R. Stellar have remained active in and very supportive of campus alcohol and other drug prevention efforts as documented in the listing of AOD program initiatives. On October47, 2016, Interim President James Stellar participated in a Town Hall Meeting at the University at Albany which engaged campus and community members in a dialogue focusing on mobilizing collaborations to address underage drinking.

Campus AOD Task Force

Goal: The President's Advisory Council on the Prevention of Alcohol and Other Drug Misuse and Related Risk Behaviors will continue to provide leadership in the AOD prevention area.

Status: Goal achieved. The Advisory Council has met twice yearly during the Biennial Review period and has worked on challenges related to the institutionalization of our effective alcohol and other drug prevention programs.

Student Involvement/Leadership

Goal: The University will recruit and retain a diverse cross-section of student leaders and positive role models for its AOD prevention activities.

Status: Goal in progress. We have a very diverse group of faculty, staff, and students working in the area of AOD prevention, but these efforts need to continue as our programs grow and are enhanced over time.

Social Norms Marketing

Goal: The University will update its social norms marketing campaign begun with the support of the OASAS Norms and Misperceptions Grant in 2000 and the U.S. Department of Education Model Program Grant in 2006 by collecting annual social norms data and will assess the effectiveness of the annual campaign.

Status: Goal in progress. During the Biennial Review period, we enhanced our work in the area of social norms by the continued implementation of general and first-year student-specific social norms campaigns as well as campaigns addressing cannabis and non-medical prescription drug use. These projects continue to produce positive outcomes, leading to increasing reductions in alcohol use and related negative consequences.

Campus-Community Coalition

Goal: The University will continue the activities of the Committee on University and Community Relations and work on the refinement of the elements of the Tavern Owner's Agreement.

Status: Goal achieved. The activities engaged in by the Committee are reflected in the "initiatives" portion of this Biennial Review document.

Restricting Alcohol Marketing/Promotion

Goal: University offices involved with the restricting of alcohol marketing/promotion will collaborate to consistently address unauthorized alcohol promotion on campus.

Status: Goal in progress. The activities engaged in under this goal are reflected in the "initiatives" portion of this Biennial Review document. These efforts need to continue as our programs move forward.

Alcohol-Free Options

Goal: University departments, such as Campus Recreation, Student Involvement and Leadership and Residential Life, will make available resources and personnel to sponsor alcohol-free activities and options for students, particularly during evenings and weekends.

Status: Goal in progress. The activities engaged in under this goal are reflected in the "initiatives" portion of this Biennial Review document. These efforts need to continue as our programs grow further over time.

Education

Goal: The University will continue its AOD prevention education efforts through the collaboration of personnel and resources targeted to carry out such functions, such as the Middle Earth Peer Assistance Program, Residential Life, and Student Involvement.

Status: Goal achieved. The activities engaged in under this goal are reflected in the "initiatives" portion of this Biennial Review document. These efforts need to continue as our programs grow further over time.

Early Intervention

Goal: The University will continue to implement, evaluate, and support the Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention Program (BASICS) within the auspices of the STEPS Comprehensive Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention Program as a primary early intervention alternative for students presenting with AOD violations and issues.

Status: Goal in progress. The activities engaged in under this goal are reflected in the "initiatives" portion of this Biennial Review document. These national award-winning efforts need to be expanded to address marijuana use, non-medical use of prescription drugs, and use of other illicit drugs as our campus needs in these areas increase.

Policy Evaluation/Enforcement

Goal: The University will engage in ongoing evaluation and refinement of its AOD policies.

Status Goal in process. The University is undergoing a reviews of its policies, which includes the review of AOD policies.

Parental Involvement

Goal: The University will develop a method of communicating accurate social norms information and statistics around alcohol use at the University at Albany through methods such as brochures, workshops, and presentations and summer orientation and Parent's Forum meetings.

Status: Goal in progress. The activities engaged in under this goal are reflected in the "initiatives" portion of this Biennial Review document. These efforts need to continue as our programs grow further over time.

Treatment & Referral

Goal: Counseling and Psychological Services will continue to serve as the central campus point for treatment and referral of students with AOD issues.

Status: Goal in progress. The activities engaged in under this goal are reflected in the "initiatives" portion of this Biennial Review document. These efforts need to continue as our programs grow further over time.

Research and Program Evaluation

Goal: The University will continue to conduct outcome evaluation on the effectiveness of the STEPS Comprehensive Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention Program.

Status: Goal achieved. The activities engaged in under this goal are reflected in the "initiatives" portion of this Biennial Review document. During the current Biennial Review reporting period, the STEPS Comprehensive Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention Program has been accepted for inclusion in the National Registry of Evidence-based Programs and Practices.

Part II: Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Program Elements

Presidential Leadership

Presidential efforts have included:

- Openly and publicly acknowledging that alcohol misuse and underage drinking exist
- Reaching out to campus, community, state-level, and national groups to develop and implement a comprehensive strategy for AOD abuse prevention
- Taking an active stand on alcohol and other drug issues and conveying clear expectations and standards
- Serving as a role model to students, faculty, staff, and administrators on a national scale
- Making alcohol and other drug misuse prevention a priority in the strategic plan for the institution
- Supporting of efforts focused on collegiate recovery
- Supporting grant projects from a variety of sources, including the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA), the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), and the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

Campus Task Force on AOD Abuse and Related Risk Behaviors

• Establishing as a priority the dissemination of best practices at local, state, and national conferences

Student Involvement/Leadership

- Ongoing communication between student groups and the Addictive Behaviors Specialist concerning the nature and quality of prevention/intervention efforts on campus. (Includes several groups recognized by the Student Association, fraternities and sororities, and student-athletes)
- Presentation of prevention programming by the Middle Earth Peer Assistance Program within the University community on alcohol and other drug use among students, as well as topics related to health promotion including healthy relationships, prevention of depression and anxiety, stress management, and multicultural values and awareness
- Working with student-athletes and fraternity and sorority leadership to provide ongoing hazing prevention and other educational and social norms programming in the area of alcohol and other drug misuse prevention
- Co-sponsorship of non-alcohol-related social and recreational activities with Campus Recreation, Campus Center Connections, , Student Involvement, and Residential Life

Social Norms Marketing Interventions

• Development, continued implementation, and evaluation of evidence-based comprehensive campus-wide first year student, and student-athlete specific social norms media campaigns addressing alcohol use, marijuana use, and related risk and protective behaviors

Campus & Community Coalitions

- Continued implementation of a campus committee, the Committee on University and Community Relations, to serve as a liaison with the Albany community and local tavern owners in addressing issues related to alcohol/substance use and related concerns off campus.
- Implementation of an award-winning Campus Ambassador Program in the vicinity of the University at Albany Downtown Campus led by the Office of Neighborhood life

Restriction of Alcohol Marketing and Promotion

- Prohibition of the marketing or advertising of alcohol by local bars on campus through University policy
- Aggressive elimination of local bar advertisement literature posted in and around University lecture centers and on Campus Center cafeteria tables

Alcohol-Free Options

- Offering of non-alcohol and drug-related social and recreational activities by Residential Life staff, Student Involvement staff, the University Police Department, and Athletics staff. These include:
 - Programs and activities sponsored by Campus Recreation
 - Weeknight and weekend social events, such as *Campus Center Connections*, offering live music, comedy and other entertainment
 - o Game show nights and Movie Nights in the residential communities
 - o Sporting events, concerts and theater in the local community
 - o Structured weekend trips to New York City and Boston plays, ski trips, rafting, and other activities

Education

- Ongoing educational and social norms programming in the area of alcohol and substance abuse prevention to academic classes, residence halls, student groups, staff members, and community members
- Presentations on topics related to alcohol and substance misuse prevention at programs for students, parents, and families new to the University, including Summer Orientation (for all incoming freshmen) and during Transfer Student Orientation
- Collaboration with the University's Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Coordinator on "Greek Life 101" seminars to address issues of alcohol abuse, violence, and hazing. These seminars are presented to all new pledges
- Participation in Alcohol Awareness Week programming, including workshops and exhibits. The keynote event for the week included performances by an award-winning keynote peer theater program presented by the Middle Earth Players

- Integration of information relating to alcohol/substance misuse with other workshop topics, such as:
 - o alcohol and sexually transmitted infections
 - o alcohol and culture
 - o alcohol and women
 - o alcohol, other drug use, and relationship violence
 - o campus drinking norms and the social climate
 - o alcohol use and gambling issues
- Implementation of social norms and social media interventions and awareness campaigns concerning marijuana, non-medical prescription drug use (including stimulant and opioid use), and other designer drugs
- Training of peer educators, resident assistants, and undergraduate hotline and peer wellness ambassadors in the area of alcohol and substance abuse prevention and education strategies
- Training of University faculty and professional staff in the area of social norms marketing and alcohol and drug
 prevention
- Training of University professional staff in the area of alcohol and substance abuse
- Collaboration by Residential Life on major AOD prevention initiatives on campus, including data collection and implementation of the social norms strategy to reduce excessive drinking, sponsoring and presenting educational programming, and providing alternative events for residents (e.g. coffee houses; poetry nights.
- Development and implementation of campus-wide alcohol and other drug misuse abuse prevention initiatives by the Addictive Behaviors Specialist based within Counseling and Psychological Services

Early Intervention

Early Intervention for At-Risk Students

- The Counseling and Psychological Services STEPS Comprehensive Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention
 Program has continued its implementation this past year, along with data collection to evaluate the effectiveness
 of an expanded STEPS 2.0 intervention focused on alcohol use, marijuana use, non-medical use of prescription
 drugs, and mental health concerns
- The STEPS Comprehensive Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention program continues to be listed in the National Registry of Evidence-based Programs and Practices of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, U.S. Department of health and Human Services (NREPP), a searchable online database of mental health and substance abuse interventions. All interventions in the registry have met NREPP's minimum requirements for review and have been independently assessed and rated for Quality of Research and Readiness for Dissemination. The purpose of NREPP is to help the public learn more about available evidence-based programs and practices and determine which of these may best meet their needs. NREPP is one way that SAMHSA is working to improve access to information on evaluated interventions and reduce the lag time between the creation of scientific knowledge and its practical application in the field. The NREPP listing for the STEPS program may be found at: http://www.nrepp.samhsa.gov/ViewIntervention.aspx?id=292
- Continued implementation and evaluation of evidence-based Screening and brief Intervention (SBI) services provided by Counseling and Psychological Services that target a variety of high risk behaviors often

associated with drinking. These preventative interventions target first year students, student-athletes, fraternity and sorority members, students mandated to Community Standards for alcohol policy violations, and students who seek health-related services at the Student Health Center. The ancillary risky behaviors addressed are linked to current alcohol use and the potential for compromising a college student's health and safety.

- Updating of a campus-community referral network for students with alcohol/substance abuse concerns and issues
- Launching of a Collegiate Recovery Program at the University at Albany

Interventions for Mandated Students

 Implementation of an adapted BASICS intervention with students mandated for University alcohol policy violations

Policy Evaluation and Enforcement

- Continued implementation of a University at Albany *Good Samaritan 911 Policy* to support students who seek assistance in the case of an alcohol-related medical emergency, either for themselves or for other students
- Consistent provision of timely and effective adjudication by the University Police Department, Community Standards and Residential Life of alcohol related incidents among students
- Referral of students who violate University alcohol or other drug policies/community standards by Community Standards and Residential Life to the Counseling and Psychological Services STEPS program
- Referral of students who violate alcohol policies to Community Standards and/or the University Police Department or local police agencies as appropriate
- Development and dissemination of materials concerning drinking laws and the penalties associated with fake or altered identification
- Development, dissemination, evaluation and revision of alcohol policies by the Office of the President, Division of Student Affairs, and the Office of Human Resources
- Enforcement of alcohol policies by self-regulating student groups such as the Interfraternity Council, Pan Hellenic Association, and fraternity and sorority organizations
- Establishment of quadrangle-based liaison programs with the University Police Department and Counseling and Psychological Services
- Training of University at Albany Police Department, Five Quad Ambulance Service, and Division of Student Affairs staff members regarding opioid abuse
- Training of University Police Department, Five Quad Ambulance Service, and Middle Earth Peer Assistance Program in the administration of Naloxone
- Training of University Police Department officers in the operation of alcohol detection equipment and recognition of impaired operation of vehicles

• Training of University staff in the recognition of and intervention for students under the influence of alcohol or other drugs

Parental Involvement

- Enlisting parents and families in the University alcohol abuse prevention campaign through the development and dissemination of materials describing (1) the actual alcohol use rates by students (part of the University's social norms campaign), and (2) how parents can play an active role in the prevention of substance abuse
- Participation by parents and families of incoming first year students in a "Transitions" orientation program addressing accurate norms and rates of alcohol use by University at Albany students and outlining strategies for discussing parental expectations around academic performance and alcohol and other drug prevention

Treatment and Referral

- Enhancement of a referral network for students with alcohol/substance abuse concerns and issues
- Assessment, treatment, and referral of students requiring treatment for alcohol and other drug concerns by Counseling and Psychological Services
- Training of University at Albany Police Department and Five Quad Ambulance Service in the use of Naloxone (Narcan) in opioid overdose emergencies
- Scheduling and technical assistance to Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) groups on and off campus

Research

- Re-administration in Spring 2015 and 2016 of the UAlbany Student Health Survey. Students were administered
 the survey from a stratified random sample of classrooms selected under the guidance of the University's Office
 of Institutional Research, Planning, and Effectiveness. This research is part of a campus and national effort
 to assess college health factors impacting academic performance, retention and campus life. Results of the
 survey are currently being used to generate prevalence rates of student's behavior and perceptions. This
 data will help to plan programs, prioritize campus needs, allocate resources, design strategies for
 intervention, and identify protective and risk factors associated with academic performance.
- Continued implementation and evaluation of STEPS 2.0 program addressing alcohol use, marijuana use, nonmedical prescription drug use, and co-occurring mental health concerns
- Continued implementation and evaluation of AOD abuse prevention initiatives, including the social norms media campaign, campus presentations and events, and Middle Earth Players programs
- Evaluation of the STEPS Comprehensive Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention Program, including the collection of prevalence data, assessment of student AOD perceptions and attitudes, the collection of feedback from participants regarding their experience in the program, and outcome evaluation (including changes in substance use and decrease in the occurrence of negative consequences associated with substance use)
- Collaboration with faculty members in the publication of articles in professional journals targeted to colleges and universities and the AOD misuse prevention area

Grant Activities

During this reporting period, Counseling and Psychological Services implemented the following grants to address high-risk drinking and related risk behaviors in several sub-populations of University at Albany students:

• A Psychology Training Collaborative in Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) at a Large Public University

This project aims to develop, implement, and evaluate a coordinated Screening, Brief Intervention, and referral to Treatment (SBIRT) training program which will benefit all doctoral and masters programs and the doctoral psychology internship program at the University at Albany.

Funder: Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Award Amount: \$945,000

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 Project Dates:
 9/30/15-9/29/18

• Project PHARM: Personalized Health Assessment Related to Medications

This project aims to develop, implement, and evaluate the efficacy of screening and brief intervention for the non-medical use of stimulant and co-occurring marijuana and alcohol use at nine colleges and universities across the United States.

Funder:National Institute on Drug AbuseAward Amount:\$451,677Project Dates:7/1/15-6/30/20

• Examining the Efficacy of Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention within University-based Health Care Settings (K23 Mentored Patient -Oriented Career Development Award for Dr. M. Dolores Cimini) The aim of this project is to examine the efficacy and cost-effectiveness of the delivery of alcohol screening and brief intervention in a variety of delivery formats in reducing alcohol use and related negative consequences in a target population of undergraduate and graduate students seeking services at university-based primary medical and mental health care settings. The specific aims of this research will be accomplished in the context of a longitudinal randomized controlled trial (RCT)using a between-group design to assess short-term and longer-term efficacy of BASICS, e-Chug, and personalized drinking feedback-only in reducing alcohol use and relations of treatment efficacy, and will evaluate patterns of and changes in participant academic performance and retention across time for study participants.

Funder:National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA)Award Amount:\$847,074Project Dates:10/1/10-9/30/16

The science-based interventions implemented in the above projects have been developed and rigorously researched and designated as model strategies. For each of the above projects, a primary goal involves the institutionalization of effective program components and dissemination of information concerning the effective components of each project to Institutions of Higher Education at a local, state, and national level.



<u>The STEPS Comprehensive Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention Program</u> <u>Counseling and Psychological Services, Division of Student Affairs</u> University at Albany, SUNY

The *STEPS Comprehensive Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention Program* was recognized with a listing in the National Registry of Evidence-based programs and Practices (NREPP_ on December 9, 2013.

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About the STEPS program:

The STEPS Comprehensive Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention Program, developed for college students, aims to reduce alcohol use frequency and quantity as well as the negative consequences associated with alcohol use. Based on the *Brief Alcohol Screening and Intervention for College Students* (BASICS) model, reviewed by NREPP separately, the three versions of STEPS are designed to meet the distinct and complex needs of three groups of college students engaging in high-risk drinking: first-year students (Project First STEPS), students seeking primary health and mental health care on campus (Project Healthy STEPS), and student athletes (Project Winning STEPS).

Part III: Program Strengths and Weaknesses

Strengths:

- The University at Albany Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Program is a comprehensive, targeted, innovative, and evidence-based program driven by a wide variety of segments of the campus community who work together to carry out key initiatives and program elements. The program is built on the model outlined by the Higher Education Center for Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse and Violence Prevention, formerly under the oversight of the U.S. Department of Education, and contains goals and initiatives in each of the following areas:
 - o Presidential Leadership
 - Campus AOD Task Force
 - Student Involvement/Leadership
 - Social Norms Marketing
 - Campus-Community Coalitions
 - o Restricting Alcohol Marketing/Promotion
 - Alcohol-Free Options
 - o Education
 - Early Intervention
 - Policy Evaluation/Enforcement
 - o Parental Involvement
 - o Treatment & Referral
 - Research and Program Evaluation
- The University at Albany Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Program is evidence-based, and informed by the nationally-recognized work of several University community members. Initiatives and programs are driven by state-of-the-art methods in areas such as the following:
 - Research on alcohol and drug screening and brief intervention
 - Social norms marketing research
 - o Environmental management research
 - Research on Campus-Community Coalitions
- The University at Albany Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Program is a national leader in a number of areas and conducts its own research-to-service work, offering contributions to the AOD field on an international scale.

Weaknesses:

While the University at Albany Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Program has a number of strengths, we continue to face challenges in the following areas:

- Ensuring consistent enforcement of policies across all segments of the University community;
- Development and testing of evidence-based interventions to address cannabis and non-medical prescription drug use as well as use of other types of illicit drugs
- Securing resources to maintain the momentum of our comprehensive AOD program initiatives determined to be effective based on outcome research.

Part IV: Listing of AOD Policies and Procedures for Distribution

Listing of Alcohol and Drug Policies

(Text of policies listed below may be found in the appendix.

Alcohol & Drugs

http://www.albany.edu/policy/alcohol-and-drugs.php

Campus Policy for Governing the Use of Alcohol in Residence Halls http://www.albany.edu/policy/campus-policy-for-governing-the-use-of-alcohol-in-residence-halls.php

Community Rights and Responsibilities: Alcohol & Drugs http://www.albany.edu/policy/community-rights-responsibilites.php

Drug and Alcohol Amnesty Policy in Sexual Violence Cases http://www.albany.edu/policy/77930.php

Good Samaritan 911 Policy http://www.albany.edu/policy/good-samaritan.php

Service of Alcohol on Campus http://www.albany.edu/policy/78354.php

Serving Alcohol at Off-Campus Student Organization Events http://www.albany.edu/involvement/documents/Serving_Alcohol_at_Off_Campus_Stude nt_Organization_Events.pdf

Tailgating

http://www.albany.edu/policy/78047.php

Use of Alcohol and Drugs in the Workplace http://www.albany.edu/policy/71185.php

What is Hazing?

http://www.albany.edu/policy/what-is-hazing.php

Fraternity and Sorority Alcohol Policy http://www.albany.edu/involvement/fslpolicies.shtml

Club Sports Handbook (contains alcohol policy) http://www.albany.edu/campusrecreation/files/ClubSportsHandbook15-16.pdf

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Distribution of Alcohol and Drug Policies to Students

Alcohol and Other Drug Policies are distributed as follows:

- Inclusion of AOD Policies in a University publication entitled, <u>Community Rights and</u> <u>Responsibilities</u>, with access to this publication via the World Wide Web and provision of print copies downloaded from the document posted on the Web upon student request.
- Placement of the AOD Policy on the University's web page within the section on Community Standards (formerly the Office of Conflict Resolution and Civic Responsibility) of the Division of Student Success;
- Distribution of the AOD Policies to all students referred for AOD violations;

Distribution of Alcohol and Drug Policies to Employees

Alcohol and Other Drug Policies are distributed as follows:

- Distribution of AOD Policies to all employees via a memorandum from the Vice President for Finance and Administration or a department designated by the Vice President for Finance and Administration;
- Placement of the AOD Policy for University employees on the University's Human Resources web page.

Part V: Recommendations

The University at Albany has made great strides during the past two years in its alcohol and drug prevention efforts. Yet, we have also identified several challenges to be addressed during 2016-2018. To this end, the following program recommendations have been identified, and progress on these recommendations will be reported within the 2016 Biennial Review:

Recommendation 1:

The University will continue to work toward ensuring consistent enforcement of policies across all segments of the on-campus and off-campus community.

Recommendation 2:

The University will take steps to evaluate the messages provided to prospective students and families and the community regarding the elements of its comprehensive alcohol and other drug prevention program in order to ensure that messages that are disseminated reflect best practices in the prevention field.

• <u>Recommendation 3:</u>

The University will continue to expand and enhance its evidence-based interventions to address marijuana use, non-medical use of prescription drugs, and use of other illicit substances.

Recommendation 4:

The University will continue its work in securing internal and external resources to enhance the momentum of our comprehensive AOD program initiatives, particularly those that are evidence-based and have demonstrated effectiveness in reducing alcohol and other drug use and related risks.

• <u>Recommendation 5:</u>

The University will continue its national prominence in leading and informing best practices in the prevention of and intervention for alcohol and other drug abuse among college students.

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Appendices

University at Albany, SUNY Listing of Policies Related to Alcohol and Drugs

University at Albany Policies A-Z Index

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C. Sponsor(s) of social events at which alcohol is served assume full responsibility

for the enforcement of all federal, state and local laws and University policies with respect to the consumption of alcohol. This responsibility includes:

- Serving appropriate amounts of non-alcoholic beverages and food at events where alcohol is served.
- Double proof of age is required and must be presented to the appropriate "responsible person" as designated on the Alcohol Use Registration Form at all functions where alcoholic beverages are served and students are present. The following are acceptable forms of proof:
 - a valid driver's license
 - a birth certificate or an official state or federal ID
 - a passport
 - military identification
- D. Camp Dippikill consists of 850 acres in Warrensburg, NY owned and operated by the Student Association. Alcohol use at Camp Dippikill is subject to all federal, state and local laws and University policies with respect to the consumption of alcohol. Administration of this policy is the responsibility of the Director of this property. No alcohol may be sold by any organization on this property.
- E. Driving under the influence of alcohol on University property is prohibited and violators will be subject to arrest and revocation of parking privileges on campus.
- F. The Vice President for Student Success is responsible for implementing and interpreting the alcohol use policy.

2. Policy for Governing the Use of Alcohol in Residence Halls

All University at Albany students who live in residence and their visitors/guests are subject to New York State Law and the University at Albany's policy regarding possession and consumption of alcohol, as well as specific policies governing the Residence Halls.

Residence Halls are defined as the quadrangles and the University Apartment complexes, including outdoor areas. The boundaries of Indian, State, Colonial and Dutch Quadrangles are defined by the first paved roadway or sidewalk adjacent to the quadrangle. Indian and Dutch Quadrangles include the playing fields adjacent to the west and east respectively with regard to the application of this policy. The boundaries of Alumni Quadrangle are defined by the exterior city sidewalks surrounding the quad. The boundaries of Freedom Quad are defined by the entrance road to the complex from Tricentennial Drive. The boundaries of Empire Commons are defined by the University roadways surrounding the complex.

A. A. Alcohol Policy in Freshmen Designated Residence Halls

Alcoholic beverages are never permitted in freshman residence halls. This includes all residential buildings on Indian Quad and the designated freshman buildings on State Quad. Designated freshmen buildings on State Quad are identified on a yearly basis on the Residential Life web site at http://www.albany.edu/housing/. Visitors or guests of students residing in these areas are not permitted to possess or consume alcohol in these areas regardless of whether they are of legal drinking age. These areas are designated as alcohol free.

B. Alcohol Policy for Students Under 21 Years of Age Living in Non-Freshmen Areas

- A person under 21 years of age may not possess or consume alcoholic beverages at any time on the University at Albany campus.
- No possession or consumption of alcohol is permitted by any student or guest in private residence rooms where all the assigned residents are under 21 years of age.
- Visitors or guests of students under 21 years of age are not permitted to possess or consume alcohol in the suite or bedroom of an underage student regardless of whether they are of legal drinking age.
- Alcohol containers, including empty liquor bottles, wine bottles and/or beer cans are prohibited.
- C. Alcohol Policy for Students Over 21 Years of Age Living in Non-Freshmen Areas

The following regulations regarding alcohol use apply to students and visitors/guests in the non-freshmen areas who are 21 years of age or older:

- No individual student may possess more than 12, 12 oz. bottles/cans of beer (or the equivalent), or one liter of hard liquor or wine at one time.
- Individuals of legal drinking age may not provide alcohol to underage roommates, suitemates, visitors or guests.

 Binge drinking is defined as consuming five or more drinks on one occasion for men or four or more drinks on one occasion for women.

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- · Kegs and beer balls, whether empty or full, tapped or untapped, are prohibited. Spiked punch and Jell-O shots containing alcohol, regardless of alcohol content are also prohibited.
- Behavior that encourages or contributes to excessive alcohol consumption by another student is prohibited.
- · Carrying open containers of alcoholic beverages or consuming them in any public area of the campus is prohibited. This includes movement between residence hall rooms or apartments with an alcoholic beverage.
- · Compliance with all requests by University officials, including Residential Life staff or University Police, for proof of 21-year-old status is required. If there is reasonable suspicion to believe that alcohol might be in squeeze bottles, cups or other such containers, University staff reserve the right to approach students and hold individuals accountable under the provisions of this policy.
- · Possession, consumption, and storage of alcohol are prohibited in all public areas, e.g. lounges, hallways, stairwells, common bathrooms, or outdoor areas.
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Policy Brief:

All University at Albany students who live in residence, and their visitors/guests, are subject to New York State Law and the University at Albany's policy regarding possession and consumption of alcohol, as well as specific policies governing the Residence Halls.

The Policy:

Definition of Residence Hall/University Apartment Areas

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Binge drinking is defined as consuming five or more drinks on one occasion for men or four or more drinks on one occasion for women. Binge drinking is strictly prohibited.

Individuals of legal drinking age may not provide alcohol to underage roommates, suitemates, visitors or guests.

Drinking games (e.g. beer pong) and other activities that promote the irresponsible use of alcohol are prohibited. This includes the use of alcohol paraphernalia such as funnels and ice luges.

Kegs and beer balls, whether empty or full, tapped or untapped, are prohibited. Spiked punch and Jell-O shots containing alcohol, regardless of alcohol content are also prohibited.

Behavior that encourages or contributes to excessive alcohol consumption by another student is prohibited.

Carrying open containers of alcoholic beverages or consuming them in any public area of the campus is prohibited. This includes movement between residence hall rooms or apartments with an alcoholic beverage.

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Student Behavior	First Offense	Subsequent Offense
Under age	Conduct Warning (Res Hall	Disciplinary
possession/consumption of	only), Disciplinary Warning,	Probation, Removal
alcohol (under bulk)	Notification of Parents,	from Residence, or
	Community Service, Alcohol	Suspension from the
	Education Program (AEP)	University, Notification
		of Parents

Damage to property while under the influence	Disciplinary Probation, Removal from Residence, Restitution, Notification of Parents, Community Service, AEP	Suspension from the University, Notification of Parents
Driving while intoxicated	Disciplinary Probation to Suspension from the University, Notification of Parents, Community Service, AEP, Loss of Parking/Driving Privileges	Dismissal from the University, Notification of Parents
Noise violation w/alcohol present	Conduct Warning (Res Hall only), Disciplinary Warning, University Disciplinary Probation, Notification of Parents, Community Service, AEP	Disciplinary Probation, Removal from Residence, or Suspension from the University, Notificatior of Parents
Intoxicated student/Disruptive Conduct	Disciplinary Warning, University Disciplinary Probation, Notification of Parents, Community Service, AEP	University Disciplinary Probation, Removal from Residence, Suspension from the University, Notification of Parents
Possessing or using illegal drugs	University Police notified, possible arrest, Disciplinary Warning, Removal from Residence, Notification of Parents, Community Service, Referral to the University Counseling Center	Disciplinary Probation, Removal from Residence, Suspension from the University, Notification of Parents
Violent behavior while under the influence of alcohol	University Police notified, Disciplinary Probation, Removal from Residence to Suspension from the University, Notification of Parents, AEP (where appropriate)	Suspension to Dismissal from the University, Notification of Parents
Possession of illegal drugs with intent to sell	University Police notified, possible arrest, Suspension or Dismissal from the University, Notification of Parents	Dismissal from the University, Notification of Parents

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Possessing kegs, beer balls or punch spiked with liquor	Removal from Residence,	Suspension from the University, Notification of Parents	

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Policy Brief:

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The Policy:

1. Policy Governing Use of Alcohol on Campus Outside of Residence Halls

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No alcohol may be consumed in academic buildings, on University grounds, on the academic podium, the CESTM Building, in the Physical Education complex, on the Downtown Campus and the East Campus complex, except at "alcohol approved" social functions. An alcohol approved social function is one where the Alcohol Use Registration Form is filled out and approved by the Alcohol Administrator for that building. Events at which alcoholic beverages are served and which are not under the jurisdiction of a specific local alcohol policy administrator require an "Alcohol Use Registration Form" to be filed with the Vice President for Student Success in University Hall 206. The Alcohol Use Registration Form can be found here.

A. Under New York law:

- Only persons twenty-one (21) years of age or older are legally entitled to possess, purchase, be sold, given, or served alcohol.
- · Monetary fines and/or community service may be imposed for underage possession and for using an altered identification to purchase alcohol.
- · Altering a driver's license to purchase alcohol could result in suspension or restriction of the license.
- · Any person who purchases alcohol for, procures for, or gives alcohol to anyone under 21 years of age is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- · Anyone who is apparently intoxicated or who is behaving in an intoxicated manner may not be served alcohol.

B. Any event at which alcoholic beverages are sold requires a license from the New

York State Liquor Authority. The sale of alcoholic beverages under the terms of State law and University policy is permitted at the licensed premises of the University Auxiliary Services (UAS) in the Campus Center. Any alcoholic beverages sold outside the Campus Center require a special liquor permit from the State of New York. This includes events or performances where tickets are sold and alcohol is provided free of charge or in exchange for a purchased ticket. This permit must be secured through UAS and arranged at least two weeks in advance in order to allow time for the State permit to be issued.

- C. Sponsor(s) of social events at which alcohol is served assume full responsibility for the enforcement of all federal, state and local laws and University policies with respect to the consumption of alcohol. This responsibility includes:
 - Serving appropriate amounts of non-alcoholic beverages and food at events where alcohol is served.
 - Double proof of age is required and must be presented to the appropriate "responsible person" as designated on the Alcohol Use Registration Form at all functions where alcoholic beverages are served and students are present. The following are acceptable forms of proof:
 - a valid driver's license
 - a birth certificate or an official state or federal ID
 - a passport
 - military identification
- D. Camp Dippikill consists of 850 acres in Warrensburg, NY owned and operated by the Student Association. Alcohol use at Camp Dippikill is subject to all federal, state and local laws and University policies with respect to the consumption of alcohol. Administration of this policy is the responsibility of the Director of this property. No alcohol may be sold by any organization on this property.
- E. Driving under the influence of alcohol on University property is prohibited and violators will be subject to arrest and revocation of parking privileges on campus.
- F. The Vice President for Student Success is responsible for implementing and interpreting the alcohol use policy.

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A student is eligible to use the Good Samaritan 911 Policy on more than one occasion and students are always strongly encouraged to report a medical emergency. The positive impact of reporting a medical emergency will always hold the highest priority when determining the appropriate response for University policy violations. Repeated incidents are cause for a higher level of concern for the well-being

Because parents are vital partners in the educational process and because the student can be best supported from home, the University typically contacts parents of students under 21 years of age in instances where there is evidence of risk to health, welfare or safety. In addition, the University may record names of those students involved to enable the University to follow up with the students as

A student who receives medical assistance for alcohol use under the Good Samaritan 911 Policy will be referred by the Vice President for Student Success or their representative to a mandatory intervention program, such as the Brief Alcohol Screening and Intervention for College Students (BASICS) program at the University Counseling Center. Additionally, a student who qualifies for the Good Samaritan 911 Policy by calling for medical assistance for another student may be referred to this program at the

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What if I am underage and drunk when I call for help for a friend?

A. In this situation, emergency personnel will be mainly concerned with the person who needs the most help. Make sure to stay with your friend until help arrives. Emergency personnel might want to ask you a few questions about how much the sick person had to drink or if they mixed the alcohol with any other drugs, for example. This information will be critical to helping your friend. In such a case, the University will not refer you or the person you called for an alcohol violation.

Q. Will my name be recorded if I call for help for my friend?

A. In most situations, if you are level-headed enough to call for help and you are not showing signs of alcohol or other drug overdose, emergency personnel will thank you for your assistance and simply help your friend.

Q. How will anyone know I was the Good Samaritan who called for help?

A. In most cases, a professional staff member from Residential Life or the Office of Conflict Resolution and Civic Responsibility will know that you called for help. If they do not know, you can simply inform them of your role in helping your friend or yourself.

Q. Does the Good Samaritan Policy apply if I call for help for myself?

A. Yes

Q. Does UAlbany contact my parents if I am transported to the hospital?

A. The University does not automatically contact your parents when you are transported to the hospital. However, your parents would eventually be notified by mail if you are under 21 and had a hospital transport for alcohol or drug use.

Q. What happens if I am transported to the hospital for the second time – does the Good Samaritan Policy apply?

A. While the main concern is the health and safety of every student, a pattern of behavior for hospital transports will require a staff member to review the situation and follow up using professional judgment for each individual situation.

Q. What should I do if a friend is showing signs of alcohol poisoning or overdose?

A. Remember to Check, Call and Care. Alcohol overdose can be scary, but getting help is not.

CHECK: Watch out for your friends throughout the night. Encourage healthy choices. If someone you know has consumed too much alcohol, check for signs of overdose.

Click here for a list of signs of possible alcohol poisoning or overdose.

CALL: If you discover any one of the above problems, call for medical help immediately. Call 911. The above indicators of alcohol overdose are very serious and time is of the essence.

<u>CARE</u>: Continually talk to the person and monitor their skin color, temperature and breathing. Turn and keep the person on his/her left side as this will help to keep the person from choking should they vomit. Wait with your friend until help arrives; never leave a sick friend alone.

Q. What should I do if a friend is showing signs that he or she might be thinking of suicide?

A. Click here to learn about what you can do to help a friend who is showing signs that he or she might be thinking of suicide.

Q. What should I do if a friend has been raped or sexually assaulted?

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Q. Is there training on campus to be a better bystander and help other students who may be in distress?

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	Please contact the University Counseling Center (518-442-5800) if you would like to schedule a STEP UP UAlbany training session for your class or student group.
	For more information on the University at Albany Good Samaritan 911 Policy, please contact:
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SERVING ALCOHOL AT OFF-CAMPUS STUDENT ORGANIZATION EVENTS

The University at Albany adheres to and enforces all federal, state, and local laws concerning alcohol.

Alcohol may only be sold and served at registered student organization events where the Office of Student Involvement and its Student Organization Resource Center (SORC) has determined that:

- 1) all applicable federal, state, local laws, and university policies will be properly followed, and
- 2) an appropriate risk management plan will be implemented by the sponsoring student organization.

The following applies to all student organization events where any type of alcohol will be served (e.g. beer & wine, full bar, etc.). If you have any questions, please contact the SORC at <u>sorc@albany.edu</u> or stop by Campus Center 110A between 10AM-6PM Monday-Friday or the LC Concourse Tables between 8PM and 11PM Sunday-Saturday.

Reminders about Student Alcohol Use From UAlbany's Alcohol Policy:

- 1) The legal age to consume alcohol in New York State is twenty-one. No student under the age of twenty-one may possess or consume alcoholic beverages anywhere on or off campus.
- 2) Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in any freshman designated housing. These areas are designated as alcohol free. See http://www.albany.edu/housing/license.shtml
- 3) The following are prohibited under the University alcohol policy: binge drinking; driving under the influence; kegs and beer balls, whether empty or full, tapped or untapped; spiked punch; Jell-O shots containing alcohol; drinking games or any behavior that encourages or contributes to excess alcohol consumption; and carrying open containers in any public area of campus.
- 4) Possessing, consuming, and storage of alcohol are prohibited in all public areas, including reserved spaces, e.g. lounges, hallways, stairwells, common bathrooms, or outdoor areas unless prior approval has been received.
- 5) Alcohol and Other Drug Education and Prevention Services and Programs are available at http://www.albany.edu/counseling_center/drugs.shtml
- 6) The Incident Sanction Protocol found in the University Alcohol Policy identifies a series of prohibited alcohol and other drug behaviors and the sanctions for first offense and any subsequent offense. See

http://www.albany.edu/studentconduct/assets/Community_Standards_Sanction_Guide.pdf

7) Parents/guardians of students under the age of twenty-one are notified in writing of any alcohol/drug violations by their sons or daughters.

Serving Alcohol at Off-Campus Student Organization Events:

- 1) All off-campus events sponsored by student organizations must be registered with the Student Organization Resource Center (SORC) via the <u>Off-Campus Event Registration Form</u>.
- 2) Reminder: Open bars and drink tickets are NEVER permitted at student organization events, even if held off-campus. Only cash bars are permitted, as they transfer risk from the sponsoring organization to the alcohol provider regarding over-serving, the serving of already intoxicated individuals, and the serving of underage persons.

SERVING ALCOHOL AT OFF-CAMPUS STUDENT ORGANIZATION EVENTS

- 3) When looking to serve alcohol at an off-campus event, the student organization sponsoring the event must contract with a vendor who has received a license or temporary permit from the New York State Liquor Authority. You may be asked to provide proof of this permit before your event can be appropriately registered.
- 4) It is highly recommended that student organizations contract with the venue when possible to provide licensed alcohol services as the venue is likely to have a license already in place for their premises.
- 5) If the venue cannot provide alcohol services, then a temporary special event alcohol permit must be obtained by the vendor seeking to provide the alcohol for the event. At least 4 weeks should be allotted to allow time for the New York State Liquor Authority to authorize and issue the permit.
- 6) The licensed/permitted vendor providing the alcohol must be in charge of checking an individual's state/federal identification to determine if he/she is of legal age to purchase and consume alcohol. AT NO TIME SHOULD A UALBANY STUDENT OR MEMBER OF A SPONSORING ORGANIZATION BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CHECKING IDENTIFICATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF LEGAL AGE VERIFICATION.
- 7) Any off-campus event hosted by a recognized student organization where alcohol is served must be insured with an insurance policy that includes liquor liability coverage and names the University at Albany as an additional insured.
- 8) Student Association (UAlbany's undergraduate student government) does not carry liquor liability insurance. As a result, if any of the sponsoring organizations for the event are recognized by Student Association, whether or not the organization(s) are funded by Student Association, the alcohol vendor's insurance policy containing liquor liability coverage must also name the Student Association as an additional insured in addition to the University at Albany.
- 9) Student organizations are strongly encouraged to utilize Sodexo as their off-campus alcohol provider when the venue for the event is unable to provide alcohol services. This is due to Sodexo's insurance already naming UAlbany as an additional insured and their familiarity with navigating the temporary special event permit process with the NYS Liquor Authority. More information can be found <u>here</u>.

Violations of this Policy:

Any student organization found in violation of any part of this policy may have their registration with the Office of Student Involvement immediately frozen, their space reservation privileges revoked, and executive board and/or members referred to Community Standards for violations of the student code of conduct.

Questions? Please contact the Student Organization Resource Center via <u>sorc@albany.edu</u> or stop by Campus Center 110A.



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Safety and Security	The Policy:
Information Technology	1. Individuals are responsible for compliance with all federal, state, local and University laws, regulations and policies.
Athletics	2. Any person damagaing University property will be responsible for the cost of repairs.
Finance	No overnight occupancy is allowed in tailgating areas. Tailgating sites open at 7:00 a.m. on game day and must be cleared 90 minutes following the conclusion of the game.
Environmental Health and Safety	 and must be cleared 90 minutes following the conclusion of the game. 4. Driving or parking private vehicles on any and all green spaces and sidewalks is prohibited. 5. Tents or canopies (which may not exceed 10° x 10) must be secured and may not obstruct sidewalks, drive lanes or predestrian walkways. These structures must be an extension of your vehicle. Tailgating amenities including furniture, grills, generators or satellite dishes may not obstruct sidewalks, drive lanes or predestrian walk ways. 6. Open flames are not permitted in any tailgate or parking area. Hot coals must be doused and porperly disposed of. 7. Glass containers are prohibited. All drinks should be placed in plastic/disposable cups. 8. Pets are not allowed to run at large in tailgating sites or on campus, and must be leashed at all times according to local leash laws. Furthermore, animals shall not left unattended or secured to university properly. Please clean up after your pet. 9. Dispose of all trash in trash receptacles located in tailgating areas or pack it out. The disposal of grease, hot coals or hazardous materials onto the grounds or into storm drains is prohibited. 10. The sale of food and/or beverage, or any other product is prohibited. Commercial activity or solicitations are not allowed on campus. 11. Do not remove or move any barricades, barrels or other traffic control devices. All signs and instruction for parking lots must be obeyed. 12. The University at Albany reserves the right to refuse service to anyone at any time. Inappropriate behavior will result in the permanent loss of all parking and tailgating privileges without refund. 13. Fights and threating behavior against anyone will be addressed aggressively by law enforcement. 14. The University at Albany is not responsible or liable for accidents, damage, loss or theft of materials, items or personal property brought into our parking areas.

15. In case of emergency, dial (518) 442-3131. For non-emergencies, call University Police at (518) 442-3130.

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UALBANY ALCOHOL POLICY ABSTRACT

University Events

- The University adheres to and enforces all federal, state and local laws concerning alcohol. Alcohol may only be sold and/or served at pre-approved University events where the Alcohol Use Registration Form has been approved by the Alcohol Administrator for that facility.
- Any University event at which alcohol is sold or served requires authorization from the NYS Liquor Authority. The sale and serving of alcoholic beverages under the terms of State law and University policy is permitted at the licensed premises of Chartwells in the Campus Center and by extension of that permit, temporary permits may be issued for Chartwells catered events only. Any alcoholic beverages sold or served outside the Campus Center require a special liquor permit from the NYS Liquor Authority. This includes events or performances where tickets are sold and alcohol is provided free of charge or in exchange for a purchased ticket. This permit must be secured through Chartwells for their catered events only and arranged at least three weeks in advance in order to allow time for the State permit to be issued to Chartwells. All outside caterers must provide UAS with their own approved NYS Liquor Authority authorization.
- Sponsor(s) of University events where alcohol is served assume full responsibility for the enforcement of all laws and university policies regarding the consumption of alcohol. This includes:
 - a) serving non-alcoholic beverages and food at events;
 - b) double proof of age required and must be presented to the designated "responsible person" as stated on the Alcohol Use Registration form. Acceptable forms of proof include a valid driver's license, a passport or Visa, and a US military ID. A laminated ID card from another University/College and a Sheriff's ID ARE NOT acceptable forms of identification.

Student Alcohol Use

- No student under the age of twenty-one may possess or consume alcoholic beverages anywhere on campus.
- Alcoholic beverages **are not** permitted in any freshman designated housing. These areas are designated as alcohol free. See http://www.albany.edu/housing/
- For students twenty-one years or older and their guests in non-freshman areas no individual may possess more than 12, 12 oz bottles/cans of beer (or the equivalent), **or** one liter of hard liquor **or** wine at one time.

- The following are prohibited under the University alcohol policy: binge drinking, driving under the influence, kegs and beer balls, whether empty or full, tapped or untapped, spiked punch, Jell-O shots containing alcohol, drinking games or any behavior that encourages or contributes to excess alcohol consumption, carrying open containers in any public area of campus, possessing, consuming and storage of alcohol are prohibited in all public areas, e.g. lounges, hallways, stairwells, common bathrooms, or outdoor areas.
- Alcohol and Other Drug Education and Prevention Services and Programs are available at <u>http://www.albany.edu/counseling_center/service/php/</u>
- The Incident Sanction Protocol found in the University alcohol policy identifies a series of prohibited alcohol and other drug behaviors and the sanctions for first offense and any subsequent offense. http://www.albany.edu/studentconduct/
- Parents of students under the age of twenty-one are notified in writing of any alcohol/drug violations by their sons or daughters.

ALCOHOL POLICY AND ENFORCEMENT GUIDELINES FOR UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY OFFICIALS

SUMMARY OF POLICIES GOVERNING THE USE OF ALCOHOL ON ALL UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY PROPERTIES

- Alcohol may only be consumed in University facilities in compliance with this policy. An alcohol approved University event is one where the Alcohol Use Registration Form is filled out and approved by the Alcohol Administrator for that building. Events at which alcoholic beverages are served and which are not under the jurisdiction of a specific local alcohol policy administrator require an "Alcohol Use Registration Form" to be filed with the Associate Vice President for Student Success, University Hall 206. (http://www.albany.edu/studentconduct).
- 2. Under New York law, only persons twenty-one (21) years of age or older are legally entitled to purchase, be sold, given, or served alcohol. A person under 21 years of age may not possess or consume alcoholic beverages at any time on the University campus.
- 3. Under New York law, persons under the age of 21 are prohibited from possessing any alcoholic beverages with intent to consume the beverage. Violators are subject to a fine up to \$50.00 per offense. Authorized law enforcement personnel may seize alcoholic beverages involved in alleged violations of this law.
- 4. New York law further provides that any person, other than a parent or guardian, who purchases alcohol for, procures for, or gives alcohol to anyone under 21 years of age is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- 5. Under New York law, anyone under 21 years of age who uses fraudulent proof of age to obtain alcohol is guilty of a misdemeanor. This violation is punishable by a fine of up to \$100.00 and a community service requirement of up to thirty (30) hours.
- 6. Under New York law, anyone who is apparently intoxicated or who is behaving in an intoxicated manner may not be served alcohol.
- 7. A substantial part of the University at Albany is in the City of Albany and is subject to its open container law. Thus no open container of an alcoholic beverage is permitted on the campus, except at approved University events as described in #1 above.
- 8. Any event on the UAlbany campus at which alcoholic beverages are sold and/or served requires a permit from the New York State Liquor Authority and approval from Chartwells, the UAlbany food service provider contracted with UAS, unless Chartwells is providing and serving the alcohol itself. The sale and serving of alcoholic beverages under the terms of State law and University policy is permitted at the licensed premises of Chartwells in the Campus Center and by extension of that permit, temporary permits may be issued for Chartwells catered events only. Any alcoholic beverages sold and/or served outside the Campus Center require a special liquor permit from the NYS Liquor Authority. This includes

events or performances where tickets are sold and alcohol is provided free of charge or in exchange for a purchased ticket. If Chartwells is not providing and serving the alcohol, the permit must be secured through the NYS Liquor Authority and provided to Chartwells as part of the documentation to obtain approval for the event. At least three weeks is required to obtain an approved NYS Liquor Authority permit.

- 9. Under New York law, a person under the age of 21 who presents an altered New York State driver's license for the purpose of illegally purchasing an alcoholic beverage may be subject to a suspension of that driver's license for up to ninety (90) days and may also be required to apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles for a restricted use of driver's license following the suspension.
- 10. Sponsor(s) of University events at which alcohol is served assume full responsibility for the enforcement of all federal, state and local laws and University policies with respect to the consumption of alcohol. This responsibility includes:
 - a. Serving appropriate amounts of non-alcoholic beverages and food at events where alcohol is served.
 - b. Double proof of age is required and must be presented to the appropriate "responsible person" as designated on the Alcohol Use Registration Form at all functions where alcoholic beverages are served and students are present. The following are acceptable forms of proof:
 - > a valid driver's license
 - > a U.S. military ID
 - > a passport/Visa

Note: a laminated ID card from another University/College and a Sheriff's ID are NOT valid forms of identification.

- 11. Camp Dippikill consists of 850 acres in Warrensburgh, NY owned and operated by the Student Association. Alcohol use at Camp Dippikill is subject to all federal, state and local laws and University policies with respect to the consumption of alcohol. Administration of this policy is the responsibility of the Student Association and the Director of Camp Dippikill. No alcohol may be sold by any organization on this property.
- 12. The University at Albany Foundation (UAF) East Campus is insured by private carriers which includes host liquor liability for events and requires any outside vendor who provides catering to issue the UAF a certificate of liability insurance. Events require approval by the UAF East Campus Operations Manager including submission of a NYS Liquor Authority Permit which must be submitted to the Operations Manager five business days prior to the scheduled date of the event.
- 13. Driving under the influence of alcohol on University property is prohibited and violators will be subject to arrest.
- 14. The Vice President for Student Success is responsible for implementing and interpreting the alcohol use policy. Inquiries should be directed to:

John M. Murphy, Associate Vice President for Student Success University Hall 206 956-8140

ALCOHOL POLICY ENFORCEMENT Example of how to implement procedures

ISSUE:

Within University policies and regulations, the University at Albany permits students of legal drinking age to possess and consume alcoholic beverages. However, individuals under 21 years of age may do neither.

EXPECTATION:

University faculty, administrators and paraprofessional staff (herein referred to as University officials) are expected to clearly explain to students what action will be taken in dealing with alcohol policy violations.

When encountering instances of alcohol policy violations, University officials are expected to confront the violators. Information should be provided as to what behavior is inappropriate and what the individual is expected to do to be in compliance with the campus alcohol policy. If the individual is cooperative and complies with the request, the incident may be considered resolved. If the individual is uncooperative or refuses to comply, the local alcohol policy administrator responsible for the building or area should be contacted. If the policy administrator is unavailable or the individual continues to be uncooperative, the University Police should be summoned. The University Police will formally identify the violator and state the campus expectation for compliance with the University Police Officer and the individual referred to the campus judicial system. The University Police reserve the right to arrest, or issue a summons to appear in court on appropriate charges if such action is deemed necessary.

VIOLATIONS

In order to provide a common base of understanding, it is important to define the prohibitive behaviors which the campus considers violations of the alcohol policy. Consistent with New York law and the campus alcohol policy, the following instances would be in violation:

- Individuals under 21 years of age possessing or consuming alcoholic beverages.
- Individuals 21 years or older providing, directly or indirectly, alcohol to persons under 21 years of age.
- Anyone having alcohol in public areas without an open container permit and proper campus authorization.
- Possession and/or use of bulk containers except as allowed by provisions in the campus alcohol policy.

STAFF DIRECTIVES TO VIOLATORS:

Violators are to be instructed to dispose of the alcohol by means other than consuming it. Students may either pour the alcohol out on their own or give it to a staff member to pour out. When students pour alcohol out themselves, a University official should accompany the student to ensure proper disposal. Students are not to dispose of alcohol by consuming it, throwing it in a trash can or giving it to another person who may be 21 years of age. The University officials should ask the students if they intend to comply with the request. If the students are cooperative, they can proceed to dispose of the alcohol. Internal departmental procedures for communicating and documenting such incidents should take place. Use your professional judgment as to when to refer incidents to the campus judicial system for appropriate sanctioning. If the students are uncooperative or refuse the official's request, the local alcohol policy administrator or University police should be summoned for assistance. In such instances, it is expected the student(s) will be referred to the campus judicial system for alleged violation of the alcohol policy as well as non compliance with the University Official.

NOTE: If University officials encounter an unauthorized bulk container (e.g. beer ball, box of wine, keg, or "bash") it should be removed to an area where it can be drained. Once it is drained the container and tapping equipment, as appropriate, should be returned to the students. If the students refuse to drain the bulk container, the University Police should be summoned.

The University at Albany, State University of New York Alcohol Use Registration Form

Submit signed request to your Local Alcohol Policy Administrator

1.	Sponsoring Department or Group:	
	Contact Person:	
	Campus Address:Ph	one #:
2.	Date and time of Function:	
3.	Location of Function:	
Please	e describe the event:	
l have	read and agree to enforce the University's Policy	governing the Use of Alcohol.
Name	:	Date:
Signat	ture:	Date:
Local	Alcohol Administrator:	Date:

Once completed a copy of this form should be faxed to John M. Murphy at 956-8141

LOCAL ALCOHOL POLICY ADMINISTRATORS

Building/Area

Arts and Sciences (Social Science, Humanities, Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Physics, academic areas in Fine Arts, & CAS functions in Bus. Admin. Bldg.); Life Science Bldg.

Education

Management Services Center

Business Administration

(for all School of Business units)

University Hall

Physical Plant (all facilities and grounds under Physical Plant)

ULibrary, Science Library, Dewey Lib. (including all basement areas)

Performing Arts and Page Hall

Art Museum

Campus Center, Podium (other than those listed above), Lecture Centers and Grounds

SEFCU Arena & PE Building

Downtown Campus

East Campus

Alumni House

Boor Sculpture Studio

Albany Nanotech

All Others

Administrator

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Use of Alcohol and Drugs in the Workplace

Policy on Alcohol and Drug Use in the Workplace

Libraries

It is a University policy that the unlawful use, possession, manufacture, dispensation or distribution of alcohol and controlled substances* in all campus work locations is prohibited. No employee will report for work or will work impaired by any substance, drug or alcohol, lawful or unlawful. "Impaired" means under the influence of a substance such that the employee's motor senses (i.e. sight, hearing, balance, reaction, or reflex) or judgment either are or may be reasonably presumed to be affected. Employees are further prohibited from consuming controlled substances or alcohol within six (6) hours before operating a Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) and within eight (8) hours following an accident involving a CMV.

Medical testing may be done if the University has a reasonable suspicion that an employee is unable to perform job duties due to the misuse of alcohol, controlled substances, or prescription drugs. The Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act of 1991 (OTETA) also requires the University to conduct pre-employment, pre-assignment (promotion), reasonable suspicion, post-accident, random, follow-up and return to duty alcohol and drug testing on all employees whose positions require the possession of a Commercial Drivers License (CDL).

Employees who unlawfully manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess, or use a controlled substance will be subject to disciplinary procedures consistent with applicable laws, rules, regulations and collective bargaining agreements. Sanctions may include termination of employment and referral for prosecution. Other corrective action may include satisfactory participation in an approved drug rehabilitation program.

Employees must notify the Office of Human Resources Management of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace, or at the work site, no later than five (5) working days after such conviction. The University will notify appropriate federal agencies of such a conviction within 10 days of receiving notice of a conviction.

An Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is available on campus for employees who wish to seek assistance in dealing with drug and alcohol related problems. EAP is a confidential information, support, and referral service. Please call 442-5483 to reach the EAP coordinator. The University's Policy on Alcohol and Drug Use in the Workplace is in compliance with the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988, the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989, the Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act of 1991 and the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law. Adherence to this policy is a condition of employment at the University at Albany. Questions concerning this policy should be referred to the Office of Human Resources Management at 437-4700.

*The term "controlled substance" means a controlled substance in Schedule I through V of Section 202 of the Controlled Substance Act (21 USC812).

Office of Human Resources Management University at Albany Albany, NY 12222 (518) 437-4700 (Voice) 437-4731 (Fax) Office Hours: M-F, 8:30am to 5:00pm, Summers, 8:00am - 4:00pm

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What Is Hazing

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Policy Brief:

Hazing is any reckless or intentional conduct in connection with the initiation into, or affiliation with, any organization which degrades, humiliates or endangers the mental or physical health of any person, regardless of the person's willingness to participate. It can also include activities that damage, destroy or remove any public or private property. Hazing is a premeditated act of power and control over others and is considered victimization. It is abusive and often life-threatening. Soliciting, directing, aiding or otherwise participating, actively or passively, in such activities constitutes hazing. In addition, apathy or acquiescence in the presence of hazing is not a neutral act and is considered approval of the hazing behavior.

Hazing is a societal problem that is not limited to fraternities or sororities, but can occur in any organization. Over the past several years, hazing has become prevalent among high school students. athletic teams, the military, marching bands, honor societies, and other social and professional organizations

The Policy:

Examples of Hazing

- Forced or required participation in physical activities such as calisthenics, exercises, games or "make work" activity
- · Forced consumption of food, alcohol, any liquid, illegal substances
- · Forced, required or condoned application of foreign substances to the body resulting in lewdness or a potential for ridicule or bodily harm (such as tattooing or branding)
- · Participation in activities that involve illegal acts such as "pledge ditches" and kidnappings, scavenger hunts and thefts
- Creation of excessive fatigue and stress through deprivation of privacy or sufficient sleep (defined as a minimum of six consecutive hours per day) or decent and edible meals
- · Deprivation of access to means of maintaining personal hygiene
- · Forced or required conduct that would embarrass or negatively affect the dignity of the individual, such as forced nudity or partial nudity, including coercing or allowing an individual to dress in a degrading manner as part of initiation or affiliation with a group
- Use of physical brutality (including paddling; striking with fists, feet, open hands or objects; and branding)
- · Participation in or creation of situations that cause psychological harm or substantial emotional strain, such as causing a member or pledge to be the object of malicious amusement or ridicule or other verbal abuse, causing embarrassment or shame to a member or pledge, or compromising the dignity of a member or pledge.

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University and Fraternity/Sorority Life Policies

Alcohol

As a community of scholars and learners, UAlbany expects those within its community to be responsible with the use of alcohol. This policy shall guide the role of alcohol everywhere on the university's campus and at all events sponsored by UAlbany organizations, schools, or administrative units. Students, staff, and faculty members are encouraged to learn about the social, physiological, and psychological consequences of drinking and alcohol abuse. Excessive and high-risk drinking can lead to negative consequences for the UAlbany community, including assault, illness, injury, litter, noise, property damage, and driving under the influence. All members of the UAlbany community share responsibility for creating an environment that limits dangerous drinking behaviors and, therefore, reduces the likelihood of these negative outcomes.

Click here for the University Alcohol Policy

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FIPG Risk Management Policy The Risk Management Policy of FIPG, Inc. includes the provisions, which follow and shall apply to all fraternity entities and all levels of fraternity membership.

Click here for the FIPG Management Policy

Expansion

All organizations wishing to seek recognition from the University at Albany must have a national representative complete and submit the UAlbany Fraternity and Sorority Life Chapter Expansion Interest Form.

Click here for the Expansion Check List

**Please note expansion is currently on hold until further notice.

Hazing

Hazing is a serious infraction of university regulations. The potential for hazing typically arises as part of a student's introduction to or initiation in a university organization (fraternity, sorority, athletic team, or other group) in which there is often a perceived or real power differential between members of the organization and those newly joining it.

Acts or potential acts of hazing may be reported to the Office of Student Involvement (518-442-5566) or Community Standards (518-442-5501). If this matter is an emergency or time-sensitive, please call 911 or the University Police (518-442-3131) immediately.

- Report Hazing Concern
- University's Hazing Policy
- Hazing Prevention Course Hazing Prevention: It's Everyone's Responsibility is an evidence-based online course, reflecting best practices established by leading academics studying hazing. This one-hour awareness and prevention based course teaches students, faculty, and staff how to recognize, prevent and report hazing. Log in with your university NetID and password.
- More about Hazing
- Click here for a letter to all students coming soon!

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Club Sports Handbook

University at Albany Campus Recreation 2015-2016

All Club Sports are recognized and funded by the Student Association

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Introduction

Welcome to the Campus Recreation Club Sport Program. Club Sports bridge the gap between intramural sports and Division I Varsity athletics. At the University at Albany, Club Sports provides opportunities for students to participate in a variety of recreational and sport activities. Each club is a Student Association recognized organization affiliated with Campus Recreation.

The key to success of Club Sports is student leadership, interest, involvement and participation. Clubs may be instructional, recreational, competitive or a combination thereof. Characterized as being student-initiated and student-managed, the structure of Club Sports allows athletes opportunities for leadership, decision-making and enhancing transferable skills. Club officers are enriched with valuable experience in budgeting, event planning, scheduling and other administrative duties.

We hope that through your involvement as a club officer and club athlete you will have the opportunity to gain and enhance competence in your chosen sports activity, while also developing valuable leadership and management skills. If at any time the Campus Recreation team can be of assistance to you, or you wish to share any comments questions or concerns regarding the Club Sports program, please do not hesitate to contact us at (518) 442-2627, or stop by and see us in the Physical Education building, room B107.

Club Sports are governed by rules and regulations established for student organizations, Campus Recreation and the University at Albany. The Club Sports Handbook contains policies and guidelines to be followed by all club sports. This handbook will serve as a guide for club officers and club members in the daily management of their respective clubs.

Affiliated Club Sports Mission

The mission of the Affiliated Club Sports program is to support competitive, recreational and instructional opportunities for the University at Albany community. We are committed to the development of successful and quality teams with a focus on enhancing the collegiate experience through leadership development, teamwork, sportsmanship, diversity, responsible and ethical conduct, healthy active lifestyles and fun. The University at Albany Club Sports program is committed to providing fair and equitable treatment for all club athletes.

Affiliation Policy

All club sports are considered student organizations recognized by Student Association with affiliation as a Club Sport with Campus Recreation. In order to distinguish clubs from Varsity programs, all clubs must make the name designation of "_____ club" or "club _____" at the University at Albany to be recognized by the Campus Recreation Club Sport Program. Campus Recreation reserves the right to refuse affiliation to any club requiring extensive facility requests and resources involving high liability or risk factors which do not properly represent the University at Albany student body. The Campus Recreation Club Sport Program also reserves the right to refuse affiliation to any club that is similar in mission and activity to any existing club, if it is determined that an acceptable opportunity to participate has been granted by that existing club.

Affiliation Process

In order to apply for affiliation clubs must be fully recognized by the Student Association. Once recognized by SA, clubs must submit a written proposal to the Assistant Director Club Sports and include the following:

- 1. Introduction of the club.
- 2. Short term and long term goals of the club.
- 3. Needs of the club. This could include, but is not limited to, financial needs, facility needs, administrative needs, etc.
- 4. A list of interested members (roster) including their UAlbany student ID number.
- 5. A copy of all appropriate SA paperwork.
- 6. A copy of the club's constitution and bylaws.
- 7. A list of e-board members including names, year, phone #, email and student ID number.
- 8. Name and contact information for the faculty advisor.
- 9. Name and contact information for the coach or instructor (if applicable).
- 10. Copies of 2 member's CPR/AED/First Aid certifications.
- 11. Any specific safety concerns.

Once the proposal is reviewed by the Assistant Director and all required information is received, an affiliation hearing will be scheduled by the Club Sport Advisory Council (CSAC). The club requesting affiliation will be notified of the meeting date and may send a representative from the club, preferably the President, to attend the hearing. The CSAC will make a recommendation to the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation to approve or deny the affiliation request based on the following criteria:

1. Nature of the sport. Does the sport present high liability or risk factors that do not adequately

represent the University at Albany student body?

- 2. Level of interest in the sport.
- 3. Facility space.
- 4. Financial information (amount needed to properly run club, dues, SA budget).
- 5. Degree of potential risk to club members.
- 6. Degree to which the club's activities reflect the mission and goals of the Club Sport Program and the University at Albany.
- 7. If there are any similar clubs that are already affiliated with the Club Sport Program.

The Assistant Director of Campus Recreation will review the affiliation request and the recommendation from the CSAC and will notify the club within two weeks of the affiliation hearing.

If a club is accepted into the Club Sport Program, they will be granted a provisional status. Provisional clubs may take advantage of the same affiliation privileges as full status clubs, but must wait one academic year to be granted full status. During this time the club must abide by all Campus Recreation and Club Sport policies or risk losing affiliation.

Affiliated Privileges

The following are privileges granted to affiliated Club Sports teams:

1. General administrative assistance and guidance from the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation. The Assistant Director and Campus Recreation has an open door policy, so any questions, concerns or feedback is welcomed.

2. Ability to request facility scheduling in/on University facilities for practice and events (game, match, tournament, service project, clinic, workshop, etc.) based on availability and compliance.

3. Inclusion in the club officer e-mail list as well as other forms of social media used by Campus Recreation.

4. Voting privileges on any decisions brought before club officers. This includes the ability to nominate a club member for election to the Club Sports Advisory Council.

5. Publicity of upcoming events and results to the University community as well as opportunities to reach freshman and new students through marketing and promotions completed by Campus Recreation.

6. Ability to be listed on the Campus Recreation and Club Sports web page as well as a link to the individual club's MyInvolvement page.

7. Access to club email account provided by the University at Albany.

<u>Please Note</u>: Failure to adhere to the policies and guidelines outlined in this handbook can result in any or all Affiliated Privileges being revoked.
Responsibilities

Clubs

Clubs are ultimately responsible for making certain that each club athlete of their respective club meets the minimum eligibility requirements and participant responsibilities. In addition, the entire club is responsible for making certain that the following club responsibilities as well as the policies and procedures in this handbook are met and/or followed by the club as a whole and each club participant. The Assistant Director of Intramurals and Club Sports and/or the Club Sport Advisory Council reserves the right to add responsibilities during the course of the academic year.

1. In all activities, clubs assume full responsibility for abiding by local, state, and federal laws; Student Association, University regulations, Campus Recreation and Athletic/Recreation facilities. Failure to comply with any of these laws, regulations, or guidelines may result in loss of affiliation with Club Sports, loss and/or suspension of club privileges (i.e. facility space), verbal and/or written warning.

2. Clubs are responsible for maintaining recognition as a student organization at the University at Albany with the Student Association.

3. All club sport teams are strongly encouraged to allow as much student participation as possible is accordance with Student Association policy.

4. Clubs are responsible for submitting trip itineraries and travel rosters for all events not at the University at Albany campus to the Assistant Director by the Wednesday before the trip. Please see travel form in Appendix B.

5. Clubs are responsible for reporting all competitive and non-competitive events and results to the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation.

6. Clubs are responsible for providing two members that are certified in CPR/First Aid/AED/Blood Bourne Pathogens, one being the safety officer. All clubs should carry their first aid kit when practicing, competing, or traveling.

7. Clubs are responsible for working with the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation to establish a risk management plan for their club.

8. Clubs must have a UAlbany faculty or staff member serve as a club advisor.

9. Clubs are responsible for reporting any violations, accidents or injuries to the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation immediately.

10. Responsible for keeping an accurate budget or financial ledger.

Club Members

Each individual club athlete should recognize that he/she is responsible for his/her own person and the wellbeing of the group he/she is a part of. Each club member should share, with other club members the responsibility of safety and agree to follow safety procedures, and to avoid unnecessary and hazardous situations. Each club member accepts responsibility for the outcome of situations resulting when his/her actions are beyond the generally accepted practices for safety in the activity. The club will be held responsible for the actions of individual club members as well. 1. Club members must be recognized as a current student by the University at Albany with a valid SUNY ID Card.

A. Registered students must be enrolled and paying fees for the semester they are participating in club sports. In addition each student must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher to participate with the exception of first semester freshmen.

B. Some clubs may have other competitive restrictions from their sport governing body that restrict competing with the club.

- 2. All club members should wear proper attire and appropriate protective equipment.
- 3. The injured party is responsible for all financial obligations incurred in any treatment necessitated by an injury.

Coaches and Instructors

Campus Recreation establishes a relationship each year with the student executive board members of all Student Association recognized club sports and expects those students to be responsible and accountable for all club business including managing practices, finances, communication league/conference affiliation, risk management, uniforms etc.

Although a club sport participating in the Campus Recreation Club Sports Program may contract with an outside entity or person to serve as an instructor or coach, Campus Recreation does not recognize the authority of the instructor/coach to conduct official club business on behalf of the club. Only the authorized club officers have the ability to utilize University and Campus Recreation services on behalf of the club. Any contract or agreement with an instructor/coach is a relationship between the club members and the coach <u>only</u>. Campus Recreation does not recognize such an agreement in the conducting of club business by its student officers.

Please note, that the club is responsible for the behavior of any instructor/coach who is associated with the team and the club may face the loss of access to services, Affiliation status or even judicial action if warranted due to a coach's behavior.

Consequently, Campus Recreation recommends that any club team seeking the services of an instructor or coach require a background check and references before pursuing any agreement.

Faculty/Staff Advisors

Each Club Sport is required to select an advisor who is a full-time Faculty or Staff at UAlbany. Club officers are responsible for all communication with their advisor. For more information regarding the role of your advisor please see the Office of Student Involvement & Leadership's Student Organization Handbook.

Duties of Officers

Because Club Sports are student-run and student-managed organizations, club business is the responsibility of club officers. Each club must have a minimum of four student officers in good academic standing: president, vice-president, treasurer, safety officer or a secretary or equivalent position. For example: president, club liaison, safety officer and treasurer.

<u>The following is a list of suggested duties for each officer</u>. However, individual clubs should identify the responsibilities of each officer. Other officer positions may include: webmaster, social chair, community service chair, fundraising chair etc...

President

1. Serve as the liaison with Club Sports, Club Sport Advisory Council and Campus Recreation

2. Communicate all Club Sports policies and procedures to all club members.

3. Responsible for completing and submitting (or delegating) the following:

- Event Schedules at the beginning of each semester
- Purchasing Requests
- Facility Reservation Requests at the beginning of each semester
- Seek authorization for club business through Campus Recreation. Examples include: fund-raising activities, publicity, hanging flyers, creating new logos or using the University logos, and sponsorship.
- Trip Itinerary and Travel Rosters prior to the club travels anywhere outside of the University at Albany campus.(Complete All Travel Documents)
- Results after any competition
- Student Association budget proposal and presentation during the spring semester
- Event Agreement as needed for events on campus
- Community Service Activities
- Annual Report at the end of the spring semester

All forms are available both online at <u>http://www.albany.edu/campusrecreation.shtml</u> and with the club mailboxes in the Campus Recreation office.

4. Attend the Club Officer Training. These training sessions are designed to help support officers have a successful season, inform club officers of the expectations from the Club Sports office and educate club officers on the guidelines that apply to Club Sports.

5. Responsible for attending or providing a club member in attendance at any CSAC meeting. These meetings are an opportunity share ideas from club to club and learn leadership and management skills pertinent to the operation of sport clubs. It is strongly encouraged that at least one officer attend these meetings.

7. Responsible for attending or providing a club member at all club sport special events, for example the Student Association Block Party and Great Danetopia.

8. Responsible for all material posted on the Club Sports Myinvolvement page, podium and any social media website page.

Vice-President

1. Serve as the president in all duties as determined if the president is unable to do so.

2. Assist the president in all duties as determined by the president.

Treasurer

1. Pass the Student Association treasurer's exam and keep accurate records of all club accounts, allocated funds and inventory - preparing for audits.

2. Responsible for submitting all Purchase Order Requests, Reimbursement Requests, Fee Payment Receipts properly and promptly to the Campus Recreations office and the Assistant Director.

3. Assist the president with the Student Association budget proposal and presentation during the spring semester.

Secretary

1. Submit all home and away results from events to Campus Recreation

- 2. Submit a Community Service Form after a club completes a community service activity
- 3. Maintain all documentation (notes, e-mails, and memos) of club meetings

Safety Officer

- 1. Have CPR, First Aid, AED, BBP certification and report club injuries.
- 2. Check safety and standards of club equipment.
- 3. Create/implement risk management plan.

Changing of Officers/Transition to New Leadership

The successful transition from outgoing to new leadership is vital to the continued success of the club. This includes:

- 1. Turnover of all club records and inventory of all club equipment to new club officers.
- 2. Review of all financial records.

Club Safety Officer

Club teams are required to have one officer position dedicated to the safety and risk management of their club. The safety officer is responsible for the following:

- Obtaining and maintaining CPR, First Aid, AED, and Blood Borne Pathogen certification
- Developing a club risk management plan specific to their sport the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation can assist in this endeavor.

- A sound risk management plan that is effectively administered minimizes the likelihood of injury and reduces chances of negligence.
- Regularly attending practices/events
- Attending mandatory leadership training for safety officers
- Determining equipment standards and safety
- Maintaining contents in club's first aid kit/supplies
- Responsible for safety and risk management concerns
- Have visiting teams fill out visiting team waivers prior to having home events at UAlbany
- Reporting all injury and travel incidents in a timely manner to the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation
- Regular inspection of club facilities, fields and equipment to identify and eliminate hazardous conditions
- Communication of emergency procedures

CPR, First Aid, AED and Blood Borne Pathogen Certification

Each club will be required by the Fall semester of each school year to have at least one club athlete and one safety officer who regularly attend club practices and events certified in CPR, First Aid, AED, and Blood Borne Pathogens.

American Red Cross Certification classes will be offered at no cost through Campus Recreation and are limited to only one person per club, advance sign-up is required. Clubs will be required to document their club member's certification and present the certifications to Campus Recreation to receive credit for their club by the due date set by the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation. All club athletes who are interested in becoming certified through the American Red Cross are encouraged to do so on their own.

Recommended Medical and First Aid Emergency Procedures for Club Safety Officers

The following are some general steps which Safety Officers should follow if a first aid situation or medical emergency arises.

1. Any first aid incidents or medical emergencies occurring during a club sport activity on another campus or venue should be handled following the guidelines provided by the host college/university.

2. Club members certified in CPR/First Aid/AED/Blood Borne Pathogens should be the first to respond.

3. University Police must be notified immediately (#442-3131) whenever a personal injury or medical emergency occurs while utilizing campus facilities.

4. The Safety Officer or any member who is certified in CPR/First Aid/AED/Blood Borne Pathogens should be the first to respond. If not present, establish one person (i.e., President, player, coach, Gym Supervisor, Building Host) to take charge and to control potential confusion by asking the other participants to move away from the scene. DO NOT move, or permit "bystanders" to move the injured individual if there is any evidence of possible broken bones, neck, back or head injuries. 5. An injury report form must be completed for any injury. This form should be in your first aid kit. Forms can be found online or in the Campus Recreation office in the Physical Education Building (B107). The accident report must be brought to the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation no later than 24 hours after the occurrence.

6. It is important that a Campus Recreation employee be notified following the injury of a participant. Be sure to get names and phone numbers of individuals who actually witnessed the entire incident.

7. While traveling, if a University at Albany Club Sport member is injured the club must contact the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation as soon as possible.

Injuries, Open Wounds & Lacerations

Whenever a Club Sports participant suffers a laceration or wound where bleeding occurs, the competition shall be stopped at the earliest possible time and the participant will be required to leave the field of play. The participant will not be allowed to return to the competition until the wound has been covered and the bleeding has stopped. Participation in sporting activities may cause injury and exposure to blood borne pathogens. Blood borne pathogens are pathogenic microorganisms that are present in human blood and can cause diseases in humans. These pathogens include, but are not limited to, Hepatitis B virus (HBV) and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV).

In order to protect all participants and employees from this risk, the following apply to all Club Sports activities:

- 1. Any player that is bleeding must be removed from any contest until the bleeding has stopped and the wound has been completely covered.
- 2. A player that has blood on a uniform must be removed from the contest until the soiled clothing has been changed.

Risk Management

The Campus Recreation Club Sport Program and the University at Albany are concerned about the well-being of all participants in our programs. Risks are inherent in most recreational activities. Therefore, our program, office, and facilities are constantly searching for ways to reduce these risks through risk management strategies. Due to the Student Association recognized status of all sport clubs, it is your responsibility as club officers to do the same for each of your clubs. Liability exposure is a serious issue, and each individual club sport should realize that participating members are only covered by their personal insurance or by any other additional insurance purchased by the Student Association.

*Each sport club should implement their own risk management strategies in addition to Campus Recreation's Risk Managements policies and purchase liability insurance for higher risk activities (if applicable or necessary).

Inherent Risk (to be shared with all members)

Student participation in any Campus Recreation programs includes and involves RISKS, HAZARDS, AND PHYSICAL STRESSES that a participant will be exposed to through sports activity. Students must understand the risks of participation and should carefully consider those risks. Club sports participants must release the Student Association, University at Albany, its Trustees, officiens, officials, agents, employees, and all persons participating in such program from any responsibility or liability for personal injury or property damage sustained by any student during or because of participating in the activities of the organization.

Health Insurance

Due to the inherent risk of injuries associated with recreational activities, obtaining adequate health insurance before the participation in a Club Sport is strongly encouraged by the Campus Recreation Club Sport Program.

Fire

- Whenever you hear a fire alarm in a facility, stop all activities in progress and evacuate the building.
- When evacuating the building, make sure all people vacate the area and move outside. Do not allow club members to enter another part of the building to retrieve personal belongings.
- You may not re-enter the building until the alarm is turned off
- If you discover the fire, activate the closest alarm and then call the emergency number (911) to confirm the report.

Power Failure

- Suspend all activity in progress. If all areas are dark and it's too difficult to move activities to a lighted area, ask all club members to sit down and be patient. Make a general announcement informing the participants/spectators that there is no need to evacuate. Remain calm.
- Report the power failure to the University at Albany building host on duty or contact the **University Police Department at 431-3130**. The power failure might only be at the facility where you are.

General Risk Reduction

Although there is no way to completely eliminate risk associated with a program or event, there are ways to reduce risk and provide a safer environment for program participants. Here are a few things that you organization may be able to do to identify and reduce risk:

- 1. Emphasize safety during all club activities
- 2. Complete a pre-event planning form to clarify needs and expectations at the event or practice
- 3. Cancel the event if the conditions are dangerous or the group is not prepared to assume full responsibility for the risk involved
- 4. Identify, assess and inform participants regarding the specific risks involved in the event; these could include physical risks (such as an event with physical activity) and liability risks (such as events involving minors or travel). For outdoor activities, severe weather and thermal stress are risks
- 5. Identify options for reducing risks by including, but not limited to:
 - a. Purchasing additional liability insurance
 - b. Preparing liability waivers, if necessary where participants are age 18 or over. Where a participant of minor age is involved, a Parental Guardian Consent Form should be used
 - c. Providing advanced training
 - d. Assess the capability of the group to manage risk
 - e. Identify the challenges in managing risk, as well as resources to assist in your planning
 - f. Communicate with everyone involved (officers, members, advisors, participants, and facility staff)
 - g. Wear proper protective equipment applicable to the sport or activity at hand
 - h. Promote a culture of safety

Spot Checks

One Site Supervisor will be assigned to every event, and will be checking in periodically at practices. The Supervisor will conduct spot checks. At each spot check, officers must show that their first aid kit and safety officers are on-site. Failure to produce a first aid kit or safety officers will result in a warning from the Site Supervisors and could lead to additional discipline if this is not a clubs first offense. Site Supervisors reserve the right to cancel practice immediately and refer the club to the Assistant Director of Intramurals and Club Sports for additional sanctions.

Transportation and Travel

Campus Recreation requires a Travel Authorization Form, Itinerary Form, Drivers Info Form and Travel Roster be turned in to the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation no later than 10 days prior to the date of departure. The following are expectations for student behavior during any University and Student Association and club sponsored travel. These expectations are designed to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all travel participants.

To provide clarity, the word "travel" as used in this context refers to any and all activities undertaken by the club sport from the time the club departs from the University at Albany campus through the time the club returns to University at Albany campus.

Each affiliated club sport is expected to conduct its affairs during travel in a mature and responsible manner in accordance with the policies and procedures set forth by this handbook, the University at Albany Community Rights and Responsibilities Code and applicable local, state and federal laws. Failure to abide by Campus Recreation, Student Association, the University at Albany, or local, state and federal expectations may result in disciplinary sanctions on individual members or the entire club sport organization.

All club sport members are required to carry valid University identification and/or valid driver's license while on any trip.

It is expected that all club sport members stay in their overnight accommodations and not other accommodations at an appropriate time, and respect the property and privacy of others at the same accommodations.

Before Traveling to Any Event

A Travel Request and Itinerary Form must be submitted to the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation <u>10 days</u> prior to the date of departure, regardless of the mode of transportation or source of funds.

The following information is required on the Travel Authorization and Itinerary Form:

- Purpose and destination of trip
- Name and phone number of contact at tournament/event site
- Hotel information (if applicable)
- Names of club members traveling and emergency contact name/phone number for each
- Mode of transportation
- Name of trip leader (person responsible for the trip) and a cell phone number

- Time of departure from University at Albany Campus
- Estimated time of arrival at tournament/event site
- Time of departure from tournament/event site
- Estimated time of arrival to University at Albany Campus
- Approximate mileage and planned travel routes
- Approximate total cost of the trip

Trip Leader Responsibilities

The Trip Leader can be any student member of the club, however he/she must commit to upholding the following responsibilities for each trip that they lead:

- 1. Adhere to the trip itinerary submitted through the Travel Authorization and Itinerary Form.
- 2. Understand and agree to enforce Campus Recreation travel policies for the duration of the trip.
- 3. Report any accidents, incidents, and/or violations of Sport Club policy the Assistant Director of Intramurals and Club Sports.

Hotel/Motel Regulations

If the club would like to stay in a hotel/motel, a designated club officer should make the club's reservation. Then, communicate the information listed below to the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation through the Travel Request Form. If the club would like to spend funds directly, they can make the accomodations and have the Assistant Director use Club Sport Funds to pay for the rooms on the Club Sport credit card. All rooms are tax exempt, and clubs need to let the hotel know when reserving any rooms. Hotel rooms on busy weekends sell out quickly; plan ahead. Contact the host of the event to determine if early arrangements need to be made in order to reserve a room for that day/weekend.

Club Sports Advisory Council

The purpose of the Club Sports Advisory Council is to provide representation for club sports officers and members in matters pertinent to the Club Sports program. The Council will consist of a representative from Campus Recreation (chairperson), a representative from the Student Association and seven (7) representatives from the Club Sport program teams, all working to develop agendas, assign duties, moderate discussion, and relay pertinent information. Nominations for a spot on the council will take place at the beginning of each fall Semester or when a spot opens up due to being vacated.

The ten (10) student members represent all of the clubs.

The duties of the Club Sport Advisory Council will include but not be limited to the following:

- 1. Develop and/or evaluate new and existing policies, guidelines, programs, and functions of Club Sports
- 2. Review and make recommendations for the Club Sports allocations, where appropriate
- 3. Consult with Assistant Director on administrating sanctions as needed
- 4. Review & make recommendations on requests for student organizations requesting affiliation
- 5. Foster relationships with other registered student organizations on campus
- 6. Accept responsibilities as assigned by the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation if necessary
- 7. Represent and pass on information to assigned Club Sports Council

Nominations for the Club Sport Advisory Council will be taken at any time during the academic year. No Club will have more than one representative on the Council at a time. Members will be appointed for two semesters. The Council will be scheduled to meet once per month and when deemed necessary by the Council or Assistant Director Campus Recreation.

Prospective members should have knowledge of the policies and procedures of, an interest in, and a good understanding of the concepts of the Club Sport Program.

University Policies

Participants in the Campus Recreation Club Sport Program must adhere to all applicable University policies and guidelines. Selected policies and guidelines have been referenced throughout this handbook. For a more complete list of University code of conduct policies and guidelines, and to see the Community Rights and Responsibilities go to: <u>http://www.albany.edu/studentconduct/introduction.shtml</u>.

Alcohol, Illegal Drugs, and Hazing

Please note that use of alcohol and illegal drugs and incidences of hazing are of particular concern for Club Sports. Use of alcohol or illegal drugs at any event associated with Club Sports is a violation of University policy. All reported and substantiated violations of University policies governing alcohol, illegal drugs, and hazing (not limited to) will immediately be referred to the Office of Conflict Resolution and Civic Responsibility. For the processes and penalties please see the Community Rights and Responsibilities at http://www.albany.edu/studentconduct/introduction.shtml.

External Contracts and Waivers

Campus Recreation is not authorized to negotiate contracts or waivers for vendors or facility use at locations external of University at Albany. For example, the Ice Hockey Club practices at off campus locations. Any binding contracts for facility use must be made between the Student Association and the facility or vendor; not Campus Recreation, or the University at Albany.

Administrative Process

All club athletes are expected to act in a mature and responsible manner both on and off campus during clubrelated activities realizing that their actions, whether positive or negative, are a reflection upon their club, the Student Association, the Campus Recreation Club Sport Program and the University at Albany. A position of leadership in a student group or club sport entails responsibility. Student members that disregard policies and procedures of the Student Association, the Campus Recreation Club Sport Program, University at Albany, or State and Federal Law will result in administrative action. A Club Sport and its officers may be held collectively or individually responsible when violations occur by those associated with the Club Sport.

Discipline and Infractions

In all conduct issues; the following process will take place:

1. The club will be notified that Campus Recreation is aware of the incident in writing (via e-mail or official letter).

- 2. A meeting will be scheduled with club officers and the Assistant Director of Campus Recreation following the written notice.
 - a. The meeting will involve discussion of the alleged violation, a review of proper policies and rules, and the club officers will have the opportunity to state their case.
 - b. Any violations of The University at Albany's Community Rights and Responsibilities will be referred to Conflict Resolution.
- 3. Depending upon the severity of the incident, a suspension of privileges may occur immediately while proceedings are taking place. In cases of critical incidents in which local, state, or federal authorities and/or the University at Albany's Office of Conflict Resolution and Civic Responsibility become involved, disciplinary decisions made by Club Sports Advisory Council and Campus Recreation will be in addition to any sanctions levied by other authorities.
 - a. The Assistant Director may consult with the Club Sport Advisory Council in determining the status of the club in the club sport program once the referral is resolved.
- 4. Depending on the severity of the violation the following sanctions may be taken against the club or club member:
 - a. Warning- club or club member will receive a warning, but action will not be taken
 - b. Suspension- privileges will be suspended for club or club member
 - c. Probation- club or club member will be in danger of termination
 - d. Freezing budget- Freezing use of SA budgeted funds
 - e. Termination- affiliation with the Club Sport program will be terminated for club or club member
- 5. Determination of violation of Campus Recreation policy only
 - a. The Assistant Director will review and notify the club of any sanctions.
 - b. The club will have five (5) University business days from the receipt of the original sanction notification to appeal the decision in writing to the Associate Director of Campus Recreation.
 - c. If a club fails to respond to initial notification of charges, the evidence against the club will be considered and a decision will be based on that evidence.

Campus Recreation reserves the right to remove a club sport or club member for any violation of this policy manual.

Form Descriptions

Clubs are required to turn in forms at various points throughout the year. These forms are explained and can be found online or in the Campus Recreation office. This includes the following forms: Attendance Roster, Semester Event Schedule, Facility Reservation Request, Trip Itinerary and Travel Request, Visiting Team Waiver, Purchase Order Request, and Reimbursement Request. In order to help reduce paper waste, please try to submit all forms electronically.

1. Event Schedule: Event Schedules are due at the beginning of each semester. This form is used to let the Club Sports office know what the clubs semester schedule entails. All events should be included on this form – home events, away events, and/or meetings that require travel.

2. Club Sports Roster: The club roster will be due two times per year, once during the fall semester and once during the spring semester. All rosters should include club athletes' names, student id number, e-mail, and year in school.

3. Travel Request: This form should be submitted anytime a club, or club members, travels together out of the Capital District Area. These forms should be submitted together, and are due before travel occurs.

4. Visiting Team Waiver: All events hosted in the University at Albany facilities require visiting teams to fill out a waiver. In effort to increase efficiency please e-mail this waiver to visiting teams prior to the event.

5. Purchase Request: All purchasing of equipment and other club related funding purposes will have to have a purchase request turned into the Office of Campus Recreation. Refer to the Treasurer's Guide.

6. Disbursement/Reimbursement forms: All funding requests and any monetary policies are now handled by the Business of Office of Campus Recreation and please refer to the Treasurer's Guide.



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Introduction

The University at Albany Office of Campus Recreation is an essential component to the overall mission of the University at Albany. Its mission is to provide students, faculty and staff with an enjoyable and positive intramural experience in an organized and competitive environment. While the game atmosphere is often competitive, ensuring participant safety, providing a fun, social atmosphere, and promoting sportsmanlike behavior among participants, spectators, and team followers are our primary concerns. The game atmosphere should remain good-natured at all times. Participants shall maintain good sportsmanship throughout their participation in all facets of the Intramural program.

Eligibility

All undergraduate & graduate students who have paid the recreation fee, and are currently enrolled in any department or college of the University, shall be eligible to participate in all intramural offerings and shall retain that status until they withdraw, graduate, take a leave of absence, or fail to comply with eligibility rules or other guidelines.

A. University at Albany varsity athletes are not eligible to play an intramural sport that is correlated to their varsity sport during the same academic year. All athletes who receive an athletic scholarship are not eligible to participate in a like intramural sport during the same year that they received their scholarship.

B. Varsity athletes must receive approval from the University at Albany athletic department before participation in an intramural sport.

- 1. Only participants who have their University at Albany Photo ID (SUNY card) are eligible to play. No other form of identification will be accepted. No exceptions.
- 2. Any contest in which an ineligible player was used will be forfeited. The team playing with ineligible player(s) will be suspended from the league, and the team(s) playing against the disqualified team will be awarded given the win(s).

A. Upon suspension, the team captain will need to contact the Office of Campus Recreation to set up a meeting with the Intramural Coordinator before their next game. During this meeting, The Office of Campus Recreation reserves the right to remove the team from the league for failure to comply with the regulations set forth by the Intramural Handbook. Failure to set up or attend a meeting will result in the indefinite removal of the team from the league.

B. In the event that there are still games scheduled for the removed team, these games will be forfeited and the team will no longer be eligible to receive their forfeit fee refund.

Regular Season and Tournament Eligibility (for team sports only).

- A. Regular season with tournament: Individual players may be added to the roster until specified date. Players may NOT be added to the roster once the registration end date has passed in order to ensure fairness.
- B. Participants are expected to remain committed to one team in a sports league. A player cannot switch teams for the remainder of that sport, league, or tournament (exception: first team forfeits immediately and/or person did not participate in any contest). Participants may play on one Men's, Women's, or Co-Ed team per sport, per division.
- C. A team must begin play with the minimum number of required players as the official rules specify for that particular sport. Forfeiting games can jeopardize a team's placement in a league. A team with two forfeits will be removed from the league and will not receive their forfeit fee refund if one was charged prior to the start of the season.
- D. If you need additional players, the Office of Campus Recreation may have a list of individuals seeking to play on a team. The "Free Agents" section of IMLeagues also has a list of participants looking for an intramural team.

Registration

All intramural participants will be required to create an account on IMLeagues.com.

How to Create an IMLeagues Account:

IMLeagues offers a **live support button** in the top right corner of all pages. Please use this button if you encounter any difficulties.

- 1. Go to http://www.imleagues.com/Schools/Albany/Registration, or go to www.IMLeagues.com and click **Create Account**
- 2. Enter your information using your school email (e.g. participant14@albany.edu) and submit.
- 3. You will be sent an activation email. Click the link in the email to login and activate your IMLeagues account.
- 4. You should be automatically joined to your school If not you can search schools by clicking the "Schools" link.

How to sign up for an intramural sport:

- 1. Log in to your **IMLeagues.com** account.
- 2. Hover the mouse over "Register" at the top right of your User Homepage and click **Create Team, Join Team,** or **Join as Free Agent**
- 3. The current sports offered will be displayed: click on the sport you wish to join.
- 4. Choose the league you wish to play in (Men's A, Men's B, Women, etc.)
- 5. Choose the division you with to play in (e.g. Purple Division)

You can join the sport one of three ways:

- 1. **Create a team (become a Team Captain)**. Captains can invite members to their team by clicking the "Invite Members" link on the team page. Invited members must accept the invitation to be added to your roster and eligible to participate.
 - i. If teammates are already registered with IMLeagues, search for their name and invite them.
 - ii. If teammates have not registered with IMLeagues, scroll down to the "Invite by Email Address" box, and input their email address.
- 2. **Join a team**. Use the Create/Join Team Button at top right of every page
 - A. Accept request(s) from the captain to join his team
 - B. Find a team and captain's name on division/league page, and request to join
 - C. Go to the captain's playercard page, view his team, and request to join
- 3. **Join as a Free Agent.** You can list yourself as a free agent for any desired sport. Post information about yourself and IMLeagues will notify you when a captain has requested to add you to their team.

Captain Responsibilities

Each team entering an Intramural Sports activity must have an active captain, as the success of the Intramural Sports program depends largely on the leadership skills and interest of the team captain. Successful teams usually have dedicated and efficient team captains. Captains and co-captains must be playing members listed on the official team roster. The captain and/or co-captains should be interested in the welfare of the Intramural Program as well as that of his/her team. He/she is required to provide two forms of contact information (cell phone number and email address preferred). He/she should be a capable and conscientious person who will serve as a liaison between the Office of Campus Recreation and the team. The captain is also the person to whom communication/correspondence will be directed. Some of the team captain's duties include, but are not limited to:

- 1. **Signing up and registering** their team on www.imleagues.com during the registration period.
- 2. Attend the scheduled Captain's Meeting for the selected (each) sport. It is the responsibility of each team Captain to attend the meeting and obtain information concerning intramural rules and scheduling. If the captain cannot attend, a team may send a capable, conscientious, and responsible person to serve as the team representative. Information crucial to your team's success is made available at this time.
 - a. Registration is complete upon payment received by the Office of Campus Recreation at Captain's Meeting. Failure to attend the Captain's meeting may result in forfeiting your team's position in the league despite online registration.
- 3. Each team is responsible for maintaining good sportsmanship among the coaches, players, and spectators before, during, and after competition (See Sportsmanship Rating).
 - a. Serving as a leader at contests by communicating with officials and supervisors and promoting fair play by helping to create a positive atmosphere.
 - b. Encouraging their team's players to prevent their fans from heckling officials, and to help the officials control the fans so that the game is not disrupted. If the fans get out of control, the officials will issue a team captains a warning. If the captain does not gain control of the crowd they will face a violation at the discretion of the official.
- 4. Team Captains are the only participants permitted to talk to the official. If there is a question about an official's call, the captain is allowed to politely and respectfully approach the official to discuss the call once the play has stopped. Questioning an official's call during play is not permitted as it takes the attention of the official away from the game.
 - i. If a Team Captain feels the official erroneously interpreted a rule they may say, **"I PROTEST"** at which time play will stop (see Protests). Players other than the Team Captain who address an official may be penalized. Any participant (including team captains) who disrespectfully address an official will be penalized.
- 5. Captains are responsible for responding to the Intramural Sports staff concerning schedule changes, tournament structure, eligible player inquiries, team conduct, etc. (e.g. rescheduling games)
- 6. Provide an accurate and valid email address and phone number for contact which to send all correspondences; It's in the best interest of the Captain (and teammates) to check their email at least 3 times per week during sport season for updates and/or changes from the intramural staff. (Email is the fastest and easiest way to contact you with this information). Ex: Weather-related cancellations.
- 7. Immediately inform the Intramural Sports staff of any changes of captain's/team's information.

- 8. Being familiar with the Intramural Sports Handbook rules and policies, and ensuring that they are followed. Captains should notify team members of rules, playing schedules and changes, eligibility policies, and ensuring that their team is in compliance. Captains are responsible for informing all members of the team of the proper process if a team member is ejected from an intramural event.
- 9. Regularly checking the schedule on the website or the intramural sports bulletin board for your team's schedule (as they are subject to change).
- 10. Promptly responding to intramural staff concerning schedule changes, eligibility inquiries, and player ejections (within 48 hours).
- 11. Representing the team in the case of a protest.
- 12. Notifying the Office of Campus Recreation if their team will not be attending a scheduled contest one business day before game day by 3:00 pm.

Assumption of Risk

The University at Albany, its officers, agents, and employees, is not responsible for any loss, damage, illness, or injury to person or property arising out of or relating to participation in intramural sports activities, including the use of intramural facilities and equipment. The University at Albany does not provide medical, health, or other insurance for participants. Medical expenses incurred such as ambulance, doctor bills and x-rays will be the responsibility of the participant. Purchasing adequate health/medical insurance prior to participation is strongly recommended.

The Intramural Program staff will work hard to ensure that all participants have the safest experience, but insuring absolute safety is not possible. Be aware that participation in intramural sports activities, including use of intramural facilities and equipment, is completely voluntary. There are risks and hazards, minor and serious, associated with participation in intramural sports (athletic/recreation) activities. Participants voluntarily assume all responsibility and risk of loss, damage, illness, and/or injury to person or property associated with participation in intramural sports.

Any injury and/or accident should be reported immediately to the supervisor in charge.

Safety and Proper Sports Attire

- 1. All jewelry, watches, hats, and any other personal items should be removed before participation.
- 2. Under no circumstances will a player wearing a cast or a splint be permitted to play. Braces with exposed metal must be covered.
- 3. Any person(s) bleeding and/or having blood on clothing will be removed from competition. Please see Injuries, Open Wounds and Lacerations for further information.

Injuries, Open Wounds & Lacerations

Participation in sporting activities may cause injury and exposure to blood borne pathogens. Blood borne pathogens are pathogenic microorganisms that are present in human blood and can cause diseases in humans. These pathogens include, but are not limited to, Hepatitis B virus (HBV) and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV). The intramural sports program will make every effort to minimize exposure to its employees and participants. Whenever an intramural sports participant suffers a laceration or wound where bleeding occurs, the competition shall be stopped at the earliest possible time and the participant will be required to leave the field of play. The participant will not be allowed to return to the competition until:

- 1. The bleeding has stopped and the wound has been completely covered.
- 2. Any clothing that has been soiled by blood has been changed.

The Intramural Staff is trained and certified to respond to emergency situations; therefore all injuries should be reported to the game officials and/or site supervisor on duty. All minor injuries can be handled by the intramural staff with a first aid kit, or Five Quad will be called to assist the injured person with treatment. All major injuries or emergencies will be handled immediately by the Head Official by calling Five Quad and proceeding with First Aid/CPR as needed. Five Quad will be sent for as soon as possible, unless the participant actively refuses.

Injuries/Liability

All participants must sign a waiver prior to competing or participating in any and all intramural events and sports.

1. University at Albany, the State University of New York and the State of New York are not liable for any injuries, damages or other losses which individuals may incur while using recreational sports facilities, or participating in the Intramurals Programs provided by the Office of Campus Recreation.

Individuals specifically assume all risks of injuries, damages, or other losses while using any University equipment or facilities at UAlbany, or while participating in any intramural program, exercise or activity at the University at Albany or on UAlbany's premises.

2. Participants may use their own equipment if it is approved by the Officials. All approvals are based on the policies and game rules for each sport. Personal equipment that creates an advantage will need to be approved by official and opposing team. Final say on equipment legality is at the discretion of the officials. *Please do not ask Intramural Sports staff members to watch your equipment. The Intramural Sports staff is not responsible for the damage or loss of any equipment owned by the participants.*

Forfeits and Defaults

Registration is complete upon receipt of League and Forfeit Fees at the Captain's Meeting. Be aware of announcements on IMLeagues for the date of the Captain's meeting. The Office of Campus Recreation can only accept payments in the form of a money order. No Exceptions.

Forfeit Fees and League Fees

- a. Each team that attends the captains meeting must pay the standard \$50.00 forfeit fee, in the form of a money order, to complete registration of their intramural team. This refundable fee is imposed to discourage teams from forfeiting Teams with no forfeits during the regular season will be refunded this deposit. Teams that have sustained one forfeit will be refunded half of the deposit. If your team has become ineligible for a refund due to multiple forfeits, the team captain will be notified of their failure to attend games/properly notify absence, and the team will be dismissed from the league.
- b. **The League fee** varies for each sport offered. This money will be paid in addition to the forfeit fee and in the form of a separate money order.
- c. A **Forfeit** is a played or un-played game that is recorded as a forfeit because a team failed to show up for its scheduled contest or displayed unsportsmanlike behavior.
- d. A **Default** is an un-played game that is recorded as a loss rather than a forfeit. Giving ample time for notification allows the Office of Campus Recreation to notify the opposing team of the game cancellation.
- e. **Eligibility for refund of a forfeit fee** depends on game attendance. In the event a team cannot attend a game, the captain must notify the Office of Campus Recreation a business day before the game by 3:00 pm via phone or email. If your team has a game on the weekend, the notification must be made by Friday at 3:00 pm. With proper notification, your team will sustain the loss as **1 default**.

No forfeits or 1 Default = Full Refund 1 Forfeit or 2 Defaults = \$25 Refund 2+ Forfeits = No Refund

Game Time

It is recommended that teams arrive 15-20 minutes prior to the start of each game in order to allow time to sign in and warm up. **Teams will be allowed a grace period of 5 minutes after the official game time** to meet the minimum number of required players; failure to meet this minimum number will result in a forfeit. All forfeited games will be recorded as a loss. This policy will be unilaterally enforced.

Please make every attempt to show up for scheduled contest. If your team is unable to make a scheduled contest, it is the responsibility of the captain to notify the Office of Campus Recreation.

Refund Policy - In order for teams to receive a full refund (league fee and forfeit fee) they must drop out of the league BEFORE their FIRST game. If a team participates in any game they will not receive a refund.

Rescheduling

The high volume of intramural teams involved in the program means limited time frames for scheduling. Thus, rescheduling games will be a rare opportunity. If a team is unable to attend a scheduled contest, they are encouraged to reach out to their opponent team ahead of time and reschedule on IMLeagues. The Intramural Department cannot guarantee a new playing time other than the slots made available in the beginning of the season. In elimination tournaments, postponed contests must be rescheduled within a period of time that does not delay progress of the tournament itself.

If a player or team knows of potential conflicts, and wishes to reschedule they:

- A. A contest can only be rescheduled or cancelled by the agreement of representatives from both teams.
- B. The captain requesting to reschedule/cancel should communicate with their opponent that they want to reschedule their game and send a rescheduling proposal to their opponent. In addition, we encourage you to message the captain of the other team to notify them of your scheduling conflict. Email contact information can be found on IM Leagues when you click on the opposing team's roster.
- C. A representative of both teams must complete the online rescheduling process through IM Leagues by selecting "reschedule/cancel" next to their team's schedule on their team page.
- D. Both captains must approve the proposed reschedule time by 3:00 pm the day before Game Day. Games on Saturday/Sunday need to be rescheduled by Friday at 12:00 pm (prior to the Game Day weekend).
- E. Rescheduling a play-off game should be done as far in advance as possible. If you have an idea of days you may not be available, make sure to let the Intramural Coordinator aware of your time frame preference for games. When looking at the play-off brackets please consider future games and if they will impact your team. If a new game time cannot be agreed upon the game will be played at its original date/time.

Games are not officially rescheduled until approved by an Intramural Sports Administrator. It is the responsibility of both teams to check and see if a rescheduled game has been approved in IM Leagues.

Cancellations/Weather

In some cases cancellations may be necessary due to inclement weather or facility scheduling concerns. Every effort will be made to reschedule cancelled/postponed games as best as space and time permits, however, **we may not be able to reschedule all contests**. The Office of Campus Recreation makes decisions regarding inclement weather as early as possible. Head officials have the authority to postpone a contest in the event of inclement weather. A game will be replayed if the first half is not completed. If called during play of the second half, the team who is ahead at the time will be declared the winner. If called during half-time, the second half will be played at a later date. Each score and penalty situations, I.E. sportsmanship, will be carried over.

Protests

It is the strong belief of this program that contests should be won or lost on the field of play, not through the technicalities of rules. No protests shall be entertained which concern judgment calls on the part of an official.

1. Types of Protests

- A. Judgment Decisions: Players or captains may not protest an Official's judgment calls. Attempted protest(s) lodged on judgment may be penalized.
- B. Player Eligibility: Protest may be made at any time by the intramural staff or any participant. Any team or individual protesting the eligibility of a player should have sufficient reason to believe that the player is ineligible. In the case of an obvious violation of eligibility rules, a protest may be granted. To ensure honest sport competition, protests of alleged eligibility violations should be made prior to games to the supervisor rather than waiting to determine the outcome of the contest.
- C. Rule Interpretation: A captain may lodge a protest on an official's or scorekeeper's rule interpretation, but must do so at the time of the incident. If a protest is going to be lodged, a captain must first call a time-out and then say "I PROTEST".

Protesting Rule Interpretation: Protests concerning rule interpretations must be logged with the head official and Site Supervisor on duty at the time of the incident. The head official will stop play and immediately gather with the other officials that are refereeing the game in question. The head official will note the score and time left of the game. The head official can make a ruling at that time or the protest can be presented to the Coordinator for further review.

In circumstances where an individual feels a protest should be appealed, s/he must notify the head official that a protest is being registered and the Protest Form must be completed and submitted to the Intramural Coordinator/Assistant Director of the Office of Campus Recreation in the PE building room B107 by 12:00pm (noon) the day after the incident in question (Monday for weekend games). Protests lodged after this time will not be considered. Games which are protested over the interpretation of rules which are upheld by the Assistant Director of the Office of Campus Recreation, with the infraction believed to have a bearing on the final outcome of the game (in most cases), shall be played from that point, excluding time limit infractions.

Sportsmanship

Every team is responsible for the conduct of its players and followers. Any conduct judged as detrimental to the participants, program, or any particular contest, may result in loss of the contest, suspension of the individual player, suspension of the entire team, or other appropriate action.

Students are always subject to the University Code of Conduct (Community Rights and Responsibilities). Harassment (verbal or otherwise) including sexual, racial, ethnic or religious harassment that causes injury, distress, emotional or physical discomfort, is one of the offenses which may result in disciplinary action. The Office of Campus Recreation and the Intramural Sports program will vigorously enforce all sections of the code to insure that participants feel welcome and enjoy the benefits of a recreational activity.

Sportsmanship Guidelines

Players are expected to display good sportsmanship toward opponents and Office of Campus Recreation Staff and participants at all times. A player may be declared ineligible to participate in any organized intramural activity for inappropriate behavior toward Office of Campus Recreation staff or opponents. Office of Campus Recreation staff members have the authority to stop any contest when players and/or spectators engage in misconduct (unruly or disorderly behavior); No warning by staff members is required.

In order to make playoffs, each team must have an average score of at least a 3.0. This sportsmanship average will preceed all other factors when determining seed placement.

Any individual that is involved in a fight (verbal or physical) will be subject to an automatic ejection from the game and could result in team suspension and referral to judicial affairs. If necessary, University Police will be called. Individuals who have been ejected (included being red carded) from a contest will not be eligible to participate in any intramural sports program until they have met with the Intramural Coordinator and Assistant Director of the Office of Campus Recreation. A team must maintain control of its members. They must also exhibit a high standard of sportsmanship for their group that is expected at an institution of higher education. ANY PERSON EJECTED FROM A GAME OR GAME SITE MUST LEAVE THE GAME SITE IMMEDIATELY

2. The Office of Campus Recreation staff members may declare a forfeit against one or both of the teams in instances where poor sportsmanship is displayed.

3. Any participant or organization suspended from intramural activities due to violations of guidelines established in this handbook or sport rules will have the opportunity to participate in due process to insure protection of rights. The Office of Campus Recreation professional staff will hear information from all involved parties and make an appropriate decision based on that information.

4. Campus Recreation Staff members have the authority to rule on any situation not specially covered in the rules, to issue a yellow card, issue a red card, stop the game, or make weather decisions as deemed necessary to ensure the safety and well-being of the participants and the Office of Campus Recreation. Half of a point can be removed from the final rating for failure to leave the space in pristine conditions or failure to wear appropriate sports attire/matching jerseys.

Any team receiving a sportsmanship rating of 2.0 or less will be placed on automatic suspension, and will need to be in contact with the Intramural Coordinator to determine their position in the league. Teams that qualify for suspension must be notified.

- 4.0 Good Conduct and Sportsmanship
- 3.0 Average Conduct and Sportsmanship
- 2.0 Below Average Conduct and Sportsmanship
- 1.0 Poor Conduct and Sportsmanship
- 0.0 Unacceptable Conduct and Sportsmanship *Game is forfeited, or Game is ended due to unsportsmanlike conduct including but not limited to: ejections, failing to assist in removing an ejected player from the playing area, ignored warnings made by officials, fight or attempted fight, or if a player(s) make unnecessary contact with an official.

In order to make playoffs, each team must have an average score of at least a 3.0. This sportsmanship average will precede all other factors when determining seed placement. Once a team passes the 3.0 average, win-loss ratio, point differential, and head to head factors will be put into consideration for seeding.

TO THE SPECTATOR: Spectators are welcome at all games and activities. However, team captains are responsible for their spectator's behavior. Fans are expected to follow the sportsmanship policy explained in this handbook. Our mission is to provide all participants, staff members and spectators with a fun and enjoyable experience. It is the responsibility of each spectator to do everything possible to ensure that the game atmosphere is friendly and good natured.

Sportsmanship is vital to the conduct of every Intramural contest. In order to encourage proper conduct during games, officials, administrative personnel, and commissioners shall make decisions on whether to warn, penalize or eject players or teams for poor sportsmanship. These decisions are final. The Office of Campus Recreation staff will rule on further penalties as a result of unsportsmanlike conduct. Each participant should choose his or her team members carefully, as all team members will suffer the consequences of any disciplinary action taken by the Office of Campus Recreation staff against that team for violation of the intramural rules and sportsmanship guidelines.

Officials

The Recreation and Intramural Services Department encourages all students to consider employment opportunities within the Intramural Sports department. Experience is not necessary (but preferred); the desire to learn and participate is valued above all. The Intramural Sports staff will provide training to all officials. Every official will be required to attend training sessions, which may include:

- Official clinics and meetings
- Rules examination

- Observation of games
- Continual evaluation and performance feedback

The staff of Officials is made up of University at Albany students. Their role is to produce a healthy, sportsmanlike and enjoyable game situation. Therefore, it is the responsibility of all participants to respect the judgment of the Officials as all games are played in the spirit of competitive fun. The Office of Campus Recreation chooses the best candidates to represent the Intramural Program and its mission. Any student who wishes to work as an official should inquire in the Office of Recreation.

Participant Feedback

With the enormity of the Intramural Sports program, the Professional staff can only try to be at every game or event. The Assistant Director and Intramural Coordinator rely on reports by Campus Rec Staff of situations, program ideas, and other feedback. However, these reports may miss details and valuable opinions. Participants are encouraged to submit participant feedback, on the website or by email to <u>Intramurals@albany.edu</u> and <u>IMadmin@albany.edu</u>.

Rules

Rules for every Intramural Sport are available on the IMLeagues website under the "Info" Icon> Handbooks & Manuals". The rules are based on regulations set forth by the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association, National Federation of State High School Associations, and modifications created by the Office of Campus Recreation. While these sports are officiated with a standard set of rules, it is important to note that Intramurals are played in the spirit of a recreational environment. With the mission of health and wellness in mind, we encourage students of all skill levels to play.

Rule Changes

Campus Recreation reserves the right to put into effect any rule changes regarding intramural sports. An attempt will be made to notify all participants and teams of such changes in a timely fashion.

Rule Protests

The Office of Campus Recreation highly values the feedback of student participants, especially in regards to improving the Intramural Program. Participants are welcome to provide rule revisions they wish to see enforced by emailing the Intramural Coordinate at <u>Intramurals@albany.edu</u> with as much detail as possible. During the review process of this rule revision request, the Intramural Coordinator and Director will analyze how this rule will advance play for the sport in question. The Coordinator and Director will consider the rule revision to take place effective immediately, for the following semester, or may not consider the revision at all. It is at the final discretion of the Coordinator and Director to make amendments to the Intramural Sports Rule Book.

Protesting Rule Interpretation

Protesting interpretations of the rules will most likely take place during the time of the contest in which an individual does not agree with a judgment call made by an Official. Participants will have the chance to protest rule interpretations but must do so by 12:00 pm the day following the game. See Protests on page 12 for more information.

Drug and Alcohol Policy

Smoking and any other tobacco use is strictly prohibited in all indoor facilities. In order to maintain a safe playing environment for everyone, possession and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages (or any other illegal substances) is strictly prohibited in all indoor and outdoor recreation facilities.

Individuals and/or teams who arrive to a scheduled competition intoxicated, suspected of consumption, or possessing alcohol and/or other illegal substances will not be permitted to play. The game will be forfeited immediately and the team must leave the premises. There are no exceptions to this stipulation. The commissioner on duty will have the final decision. If the team does not immediately leave, University Police will be contacted and the offending team will forfeit the remainder of the season.

Sanctions for usage of alcohol include, but are not limited to, indefinite suspension of a player or indefinite suspension of spectator privileges and being referred to appropriate administration.

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Alcohol, Other Drugs, and Related Risks: Progress and Challenges

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UAlbany Student Health Survey: Alcohol and Other Drug Use





Alcohol Use 10+ Days per Month —UAlbany -National Percent of students UAlbany Spring Survey, ACHA-NCHA Undergraduate Survey

Alcohol Use 10+ Days per Month






Marijuana Use in the Past 30 Days











Hallucinogen Use in Last 30 Days





Percentage of Students Who Report Use Without a Prescription In Last Year



Prescription Stimulant Use Without a Prescription in the Last Year



Physical Fighting When Drinking Alcohol

UAlbany Spring Survey

No longer assessed in ACHA-NCHA Survey





UAlbany Student Health Survey: Student Distress and Mental Health Concerns







Percentage of Students Who Experienced in Last Year





























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Alcohol Use: Drinking Days per Month









