

The University of Scranton Policy

Alcohol and Drug Policies

Executive Sponsor:
General Counsel's Office

Responsible Office(s):
Office of Student Life
Human Resources
Office of the Provost

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I. Policy Statement

These policies express The University of Scranton's educational concern for creating an environment that fosters growth by and among its members and its commitment to the physical and emotional health and well-being of all those who work, study or congregate at the University.

This policy document was issued in May 2024; however, it is not a new policy. Prior to 2024 this policy appeared in several separate resources, including the Student Handbook. Following discussion at the University Governance Council in spring 2024, as the policy is applicable to all members of the University community, these policy materials were collated and documented as a stand-alone University policy in May 2024 to clarify its applicability.

II. Entities Affected By This Policy

This policy applies to all University students, faculty, staff, and guests.

III: Alcohol and Drug Policies

I. University Alcohol Policy

A. Student Alcohol Policies

The University of Scranton prohibits students and guests from engaging in the following:

Use, possession or consumption of alcohol by individuals who are under twenty-one (21) years of age.

Excessive consumption of alcohol, intoxication, alcohol impairment, or alcohol abuse as evidenced by factors including, but not limited to, public drunkenness, disorderly or erratic behavior, slurring of speech, physical coordination difficulties, vomiting, or a preliminary breath test reading/blood alcohol content of .08% or greater. Excessive consumption of alcohol is not an excuse for behavior that violates the Student Code of Conduct.

Social hosting, which is defined as providing the site for a gathering where underage alcohol possession or use is documented.

Providing or serving alcohol to individuals who are under the age of twenty-one

and request assistance (i.e., University staff members, University Police, law enforcement),

