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**F10-1, Policy Recommendation, The Use and Abuse of
Alcohol and Other Drugs**

Legislative History: Rescinds S02-5

At its meeting of October 11, 2010, the Academic Senate approved the following policy recommendation presented by Senator Gleixner for the Instruction and Student Affairs Committee.

**Action by University President: Approved by President
Don Kassing**

Date: October 21, 2010

**POLICY RECOMMENDATION
The Use and Abuse of Alcohol and Other Drugs**

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Approved: 9/13/2010

Vote: 13-0-0

Present: Eric Armendariz, Steve Branz (non-voting), Bill Campsey,
Victor Culatta, Caroline Fee, Stefan Frazier, Sta

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to delineate University policy concerning alcohol and illegal drugs or substances, provide procedural guidelines, and communicate the consequences of failing to adhere to established policies.

Provision for the purchase, sale, service, and consumption of alcoholic beverages on campus is a privilege accorded to University members with the understanding that they will comply with internal rules, regulations, and relevant legislation (local, state or national). All members of the University community as well as their guests have a responsibility to ensure that alcohol is used in a responsible manner by persons twenty-one (21) years of age or older. The use of alcohol and other drugs should not interfere with the primary mission of the University as an educational institution.

I. EDUCATION

The use or abuse of alcohol, and a dependency on alcoholic beverages and illegal drugs or substances are issues of concern to the University community, as well as to our society at large. To this end, education becomes the responsibility of the entire campus community including individual's peers and any other organization sponsoring an event where alcoholic beverages are served and illegal drugs or substances are used.

Copies of the University's Alcohol and Drug Policy will be distributed to all students and employees on an annual basis in compliance with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act.

The Division of Student Affairs has the responsibility to inform new students and their parents about the University's Alcohol and Drug Policy, before and after they arrive on campus. A letter and a policy brochure will be provided to all new students and their parents informing them of the campus alcohol and drug policy. This information will be included with materials for all new student orientation sessions for freshman and transfer students. All students will receive information about the policy in the class catalog, online schedule of classes, residential life handbook, University website and/or direct emails/mail.

Human Resources has the responsibility to distribute the policy to all employees annually. Faculty Affairs has the responsibility to distribute the policy to all faculty annually.

Copies of the University's Alcohol and Drug Policy will be made available at the Student Health Center, Student Involvement and the Office of Student Conduct & Ethical Development.

All student organizations must have at least one officer attend an orientation program provided by Student Involvement during the fall semester in order to maintain the organization's recognized status. This orientation program will inform student organization officers on University policy and procedures, event planning, non-alcoholic programming, procedures for handling emergencies, responsible behavior and alcohol usage and campus and community referrals and resources.

All advisors to student organizations will be notified about the University's Alcohol and Drug Policy. They will be strongly encouraged to attend the fall semester officers'

orientation program as well as other alcohol education and prevention programs sponsored by the University.

II. ENFORCEMENT

All students are accountable to the University's policies as outlined in the Student Code of Conduct (Presidential Directive 2007-01) as well as the Student Organization Code of Conduct (Presidential Directive 2007-04).

The Office of Student Conduct & Ethical Development administers both codes of conduct. Student organizations, as well as their members, may be held collectively and/or individually responsible for violations if the misconduct occurs on University property, on premises used or controlled by the organizations, and/or at University-sponsored activities. The officers or leaders of student organizations may be held collectively and/or individually responsible when such violations are committed by individuals associated with their organization.

a. Sanctions for individuals may include and are not limited to

- Administrative Academic Probation
- Administrative Academic Disqualification
- Loss of University housing
- Required alcohol and/or other drugs education program
- Restitution for any damages that result from the conduct of the violator(s)

b. Sanctions for student organizations may include and are not limited to

- Social probation
- Restitution of any damages that result from the conduct of the violator(s)
- Report of violation(s) to the national headquarters
- Required alcohol and/or other drugs education program
- Loss of University recognition

Individual department or campus organization policies must be in compliance with this University Policy on Alcohol and Drugs and may impose more stringent standards. Examples of these departments and campus organizations include University Housing Services, Student Involvement and Athletic Programs.

Management personnel at the campus handle alleged infractions of this policy by employees in accordance with the appropriate bargaining unit and other University policies.

III. INDIVIDUAL CONSUMPTION AND USE

- a. Individuals under the age of twenty-one (21) are not to possess or consume alcohol.

VII. ATHLETIC EVENTS

The 2005 CSU Executive Order 966, Alcohol Sales and Advertising Policy, prohibits the sale of alcoholic beverages at any athletic event held in university owned or operated facilities and limits alcohol advertising to beer and wine on California State University campuses in compliance with policy guidelines consistent with the “Guidelines for Beverage Alcohol Marketing” distributed by the National Inter-Association Task Force on Alcohol Issues, a higher education coalition.