

Annual Notification

DRUG & ALCOHOL EDUCATION SERVICES

TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY – UNIVERSITY COUNSELING CENTER

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WHAT IS IT?

- A Drug Free Schools and Communities Act and the Education Department General Administration Regulations policy that requires TSU to report:
 - Standards of Conduct
 - Legal Sanctions, I.e.,
Federal, state, local, & school
 - Health Risks
 - Drug and Alcohol programs

GETTING HELP

The Drug and Alcohol Education Services (DAES), a division of the University Counseling Center, provides services to students of Texas Southern University by providing:

- Counseling
- Referrals
- Workshops

Seeking help is a sign of strength; if you are concerned, go with your instincts and get help



HEALTH RISKS OF ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG USE

ALCOHOL

- Low doses significantly impair judgment and coordination
- Alters mental functions
- Death

MARIJUANA

- Impairs and reduces short-term memory and comprehension
- Damaging to lungs and pulmonary system

COCAINE

- Death by cardiac arrest or respiratory failure
- Exposure to infectious diseases when using a needle
- Can ulcerate the mucous membranes and cause paranoia and seizures

TOBACCO

- Can cause lung and heart disease

ANABOLIC STEROIDS

- Cause more than 70 side effects from acne to cancer

DEPRESSANTS

- Can cause respiratory depression, coma and death

DESIGNER DRUGS

- Can cause severe damage to the brain, tremors, paralysis among other symptoms

Remember, everyone is different and alcohol and other drugs can have a different affect on you than it may have on a friend.

STANDARD OF CONDUCT

The University rules provide that any student found in violation of the drug and alcohol policies, to include any off-campus activity sponsored by Texas Southern University, may face criminal charges and/or suspension from the University.

OFFENSE	MINIMUM PUNISHMENT	MAXIMUM PUNISHMENT
Manufacture or delivery of controlled substances	Sentence of 2 years to 10 years	Sentence of 20 to 99 years and a fine of >\$500,000
Delivery and Possession of Marijuana	Sentence not to exceed 180 days, and a fine of >\$1,000	15 to 99 years or less than 15 years and a fine of >\$250,000
<i>Federal</i> Trafficking >50 Kilograms	<i>Federal</i> sentence of >5 years, and a fine of >\$250,000	<i>Federal</i> sentence of >10 years, and a fine of >\$500,000
Driving while intoxicated (includes intoxication from alcohol, drugs or both)	Sentence of 72 hours to 2 years, and a fine of \$100-\$2,000	Sentence of 30 days to 2 years, or TDC for a term of 60 days to 5 years, and a fine \$500-\$2,000
Public Intoxication	Fine of \$25-\$200	A fine >\$200
Purchase of alcohol by a minor		A fine of \$200 - \$500
Consumption of alcohol by a minor	Fine of \$25-\$200	A fine of \$100-\$500
Possession of alcohol by a minor	Fine of \$25-\$200	A fine of \$100-\$500

* Unless indicated, all offenses are state punishments

In 1985, Texas amended its definition of "minor" to mean a person under the age of twenty-one (21). Minors are prohibited from purchasing alcoholic beverages by section 106.02(a) of the alcoholic beverage code. Further, section 106.03(a) makes it unlawful for a person to sell alcoholic beverages to a minor. Section 106.06(a) prohibits anyone from purchasing alcoholic beverages for a minor. The only exception to 106.06(a) is for adult parents, guardians, spouses or other adults to whom the courts have given custody of the minor (106.06(b)).

Effective September 1, 2011, sb1331 amends the alcoholic beverage code to state that in the event of possible alcohol poisoning, a person under 21 calling for help for himself or another will not be cited for possessing or consuming alcohol. The immunity for minors is limited to the first person who calls for assistance, only if he or she stays on the scene and cooperates with law enforcement and medical personnel. SB 1331 does not protect a person from being cited for any other violation of the law.



THE UNIVERSITY COUNSELING CENTER

The University Counseling Center is a great place to get free resources such as how to create a roommate agreement, address conflict, develop healthy communication skills, and recognize the signs of depression, anxiety, and homesickness. All of our services are free and confidential and will not show up on your student record.

If you have questions, or would like to schedule an appointment, do not hesitate to come by or call us. We are open Monday-Friday from 8am- 4:45pm. Our office is located inside of the Student Health Center.

University Counseling Center

713-313-7804

After Hours Emergency

713-313-7000

Houston Crisis Hotline

713- HOTLINE

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