



**University Policy Statement
California State University, Fullerton**

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**POLICY ON THE USE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BY
STUDENTS AND BY STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

I. CALIFORNIA LAW

Under California Law, no person may sell, furnish, give, or cause to be sold, furnished or given away, any alcoholic beverage to a person under the age of 21, and no person under the age of 21 may purchase alcoholic beverages (California Business and Professional Code, Sec. 25658). It is also unlawful for a person under the age of 21 to possess alcoholic beverages on any street or highway or in any public place or any place open to public view (California Business and Professional Code, Sec. 25662).

II. UNIVERSITY POLICY ON CONSUMPTION BY STUDENTS ON UNIVERSITY PROPERTY, UNIVERSITY EVENTS OR REPRESENTING THE UNIVERSITY

1. The purchase, possession, or consumption of any alcoholic beverages (including beer and wine) by any person under the legal drinking age is prohibited.
2. Alcoholic beverages shall not be provided (supplied or purchased with the intent to supply) to individuals under 21 years of age.
3. The manufacture, use or provision of a false state identification card, driver's license, or certification of birth is prohibited.
4. The act(s) of being drunk and disorderly in public view, including on public sidewalks and walkways, is prohibited.
5. Operating a motor vehicle, bicycle, skates, or scooters while intoxicated is prohibited.

III. UNIVERSITY POLICY ON CONSUMPTION IN RECOGNIZED LIVING GROUPS AND STUDENT ORGANIZATION ACTIVITIES

1. No student shall supply, or purchase with the intent of supplying, any alcoholic beverage to any person under the age of 21.
2. No student shall possess alcoholic beverages in a public area of any recognized student living group or any portion of the property of a student living group, which is open to public view. A “public place” or “any place open to public view”, as legally defined in the case of college living groups, would include the lobby and grounds of the residence hall, or the grounds of fraternities or sororities. In view of problems of age determination, this restriction shall apply to all students, regardless of age.
3. No person, of any age, shall be coerced into using alcoholic beverages by any Student. To insure that choice is possible, alcoholic beverages may not be available at a social function in a recognized student living organization unless non-alcoholic beverages are also available. It is recommended that food be available whenever alcohol is served.
4. The selling, either directly or indirectly, of alcoholic beverages (including beer and wine) except under the authority of a California Alcoholic Beverages Control Board license is prohibited.
5. The serving of alcohol to an intoxicated person or to the point of intoxication is prohibited.
6. All recognized living organizations shall submit for approval by the Dean of Students a procedure for compliance with the above regulations.
7. It is emphasized that, if alcoholic beverages are used at all by students over 21, they should be used in moderation, and that the conduct of students in recognized living organizations shall at no time be such that the orderly running of these organizations is disrupted.
8. It is unlawful for students who are minors to possess or consume alcoholic beverages at sponsored events off campus. The University will exercise the right to take cognizance of unlawful activities which are engaged in off-campus by students. To assure compliance with the law, if a bar is available for an organization holding an event, it shall be provided in a manner consistent with the Office of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

IV. VIOLATION OF ALCOHOL POLICY

Student involvement in underage consumption of alcohol is a matter of concern to the University and will subject a student so involved in disciplinary action by the University. Dependent upon the nature of the violation, assessing university sanctions may include

educational intervention, mandated community reparations, suspension, or expulsion aside from or in addition to prosecution under applicable state and federal laws. University action may be taken whether or not independent action is taken by civil authorities.

Violations of these regulations by student organizations shall be subject to discipline through the Student Organization Judicial Process. (Available in the Dean of Students Office or at <http://fullerton.edu/deanofstudents>)

V. DISSEMINATION OF POLICY

It shall be the responsibility of the Dean of Students to disseminate as widely as possible the intent of this policy to avoid misunderstandings on the part of parents, citizens, and members of the University community.

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