



Policy Title
Alcohol Use

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LCME Standards
NA

Scope
University of South Carolina (USC) School of Medicine Greenville students

Policy Statement
This policy governs the consumption, possession, distribution, and sale of alcoholic beverages (including beer, wine, and distilled spirits) on the USC School of Medicine Greenville campus for student-sponsored events. In compliance with the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989, the USC School of Medicine Greenville places significant value on the concept of healthy and responsible decision-making for all members of the community. The University supports strict enforcement of South Carolina's laws in regard to the consumption, possession and sale of alcoholic beverages. This policy also applies to every student sponsored function or event, including but not limited to receptions, dinners, banquets and campus wide activities sponsored by organizations or individuals associated with the USC School of Medicine Greenville.

The USC School of Medicine Greenville has determined that students must not carry or consume alcohol in any University building or open space.

For events sponsored by non-student entities and off-campus events, alcohol can be consumed by those 21 years of age or older but must be purchased and served through the contract of a licensed third-party vendor.

Reason for Policy
To provide clarification on the USC School of Medicine Greenville’s policy on the use of alcohol at student

events.

Sanctions

Students who do not comply with this policy are referred to the Honor and Professionalism Council (HPC)

Additional Contacts

- Office for Student Affairs
- Honor and Professionalism Council (HPC)
- Student Evaluation and Promotion Committee (SEPC)

Related Information

- USC School of Medicine Greenville Student Handbook
- [USC – STAF 3.02 – Alcohol Policy and Guidelines for the University Community](#)
- [USC – STAF 6.26 – Student Code of Conduct](#)
- H.R.3614 - Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989

History

Date of Change	Change
December 2024	Updates for branding and strengthened language in response to policy audit.
July 2019	Editorial changes made due to branding updates and titles; formal approval not required.
July 2018	Policy formalized into standardized template, LCME CQI