Slippery Rock University Alcohol Policy

Introduction

Slippery Rock University strives to facilitate a rewarding campus experience, balancing academic pursuits with an energetic slate of activities and events for students, faculty, staff and visitors. Beyond the classroom, SRU makes facilities and grounds available for use in association with a wide variety of events including faculty gatherings, student group meetings and socials, athletic events including tailgating, dinners, concerts, etc… SRU sets forth the expectation students and staff who possess or use alcoholic beverages will do so legally and responsibly, in accordance with this policy, while promoting a positive, fulfilling, and above all a safe and healthy environment.

Description

Slippery Rock University prohibits the unlawful or unauthorized possession, use, sale, consumption, and serving of alcoholic beverages by or to anyone under the age of twenty-one (21) years of age, in compliance with provisions set forth in the PA Liquor Code.

SRU further prohibits the unlawful or unauthorized possession, use, sale, consumption and serving of alcoholic beverages on University property or as part of any campus activity, with exceptions to this prohibition as authorized and established below:

Procedures

1. A contracted dining/food service supplier, licensed to possess and serve alcohol in the Commonwealth, may provide alcohol in association with catering services for events on campus grounds scheduled and coordinated through the Office of Conference Services. This includes fund raising and networking events coordinated and scheduled through the Office of the President, the Office of Advancement Services, the SRU Foundation, Alumni Association. This exception includes performances scheduled by the Miller Theater Technical Director’s Office with prior approval from the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

2. Spectators, defined as ticket holders for football games played at Mihalik-Thompson Stadium, during times established for tailgating coordinated through the Office of Athletics, may bring their own alcoholic beverages. Adherence to associated tailgating policies and procedures with respect to alcohol possession and consumption is required.

3. As scheduled and coordinated by the Office of Campus Recreation, organizations and individuals renting campground space on campus in and around the Ski Lodge, may bring their own alcoholic beverages.
Sanctions
Any individual found in violation of this policy is subject to disciplinary or legal action as set forth by established labor agreements, SRU work rules, student conduct codes, or the Pennsylvania Liquor Code.

Responsibility for Implementation

*The Office of Environmental Health and Safety/Emergency Management has the responsibility of ensuring risk management protocols are developed by applicable campus stakeholders. EHS/EM in conjunction with University Police serves as a resource, providing guidance and assistance in program development.

*Campus stakeholders include but are not limited to Offices of Auxiliary Services (Dining Services and Campus Recreation), Athletics, Conference Services, Advancement Services, and the SRU Alumni Association and Foundation, and are responsible to develop and implement appropriate procedures with respect to alcohol use on campus during their events.

*It is the responsibility of every member of the University community to know the risks associated with alcohol use and abuse. Employees and students are subsequently obligated to be aware of associated University policies, applicable legislation, and to conduct themselves in accordance with those policies and laws. SRU publishes information regarding policies, sanctions, laws and penalties concerning alcohol and substance use and abuse, associated risks, and resources for treatment and education programs

Scope
This policy applies to all university employees (faculty and staff) students, volunteers and visitors

Approved by the President’s Cabinet
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