

# 1 Alcohol, Drugs, and Other Intoxicants

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## 4 Introduction

5 This policy addresses alcohol, drugs, and other intoxicants. The purpose of this policy is to clarify the rules  
6 regarding possession, consumption, and distribution of intoxicants within university owned or operated  
7 buildings, property and grounds including administrative, instructional and research facilities. This policy  
8 applies to all university employees, students and visitors. This policy supplements Iowa Administrative Code  
9 Section 681-13.17(2). In all instances this policy will be construed so as to comply with federal and state law.

## 10 Policy Statement

### 11 Drugs and Other Intoxicants

12 Drugs that are not legally available shall not be used, possessed, sold, or distributed on campus. Moreover, the  
13 unauthorized distribution of prescription drugs on the campus by a person to another person is prohibited.  
14 Misuse of drugs and other intoxicants is also prohibited.

### 15 Alcohol

#### 16 Possession or Consumption

17 The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages on the Iowa State University campus will be permitted in  
18 accordance with state law. Pursuant to the Board of Regents policies, the consumption of alcoholic beverages on  
19 the campus will generally be permitted only where approved by the Senior Vice President for Business and  
20 Finance.

21 Possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages is permitted in university housing according to the policies  
22 established by the Department of Residence and only for those persons having attained drinking age as  
23 stipulated in the laws of the State of Iowa.

#### 24 Events

#### 25 Recognition or Fundraising Purpose

26 In the case of a specific reception and/or dinner function, alcohol may be served in situations deemed  
27 unique or unusual. The events should involve unique recognition and/or specific fundraising efforts.  
28 They would not normally involve routine continuing education, lectures, or other professional programs  
29 that frequently occur on the campus. Normally, alcohol will be not utilized in regular campus buildings  
30 for seminar speakers, staff recruitment, or similar events. If alcohol is desired, the permission of the  
31 Senior Vice President for Business and Finance is required.

32 Because the majority of the undergraduate student body is not of legal drinking age, events involving  
33 alcohol should be ones where the participants are not primarily from the undergraduate student body.

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35 **Research, Academic and Administrative Areas; University Grounds**

36 The consumption of alcoholic beverages in research, academic or administrative areas or on university  
37 grounds will not be permitted except under specific authorization through the Office of the Senior Vice  
38 President for Business and Finance. The conditions under which possible distribution of alcohol will be  
39 considered are as follows:

- 40 • An appropriate liquor license is obtained or university catering services that are licensed to  
41 serve alcohol are used.
- 42 • The necessary dram shop insurance is obtained.
- 43 • Conformance with state distribution policies is assured.

44 **Cash Bars**

45 Cash bars are permitted only when an event is catered by the ISU Dining Services, the Iowa State  
46 Center, Reiman Gardens' contracted caterer, or other authorized caterer as approved by the Senior Vice  
47 President for Business and Finance. The cost of alcoholic beverages may be included in the charges  
48 associated with an event or dinner.

49 **Requests**

50 Alcoholic beverages may be permitted in a limited number of cases where special social events are  
51 being scheduled. Requests for the use of alcohol must be made to the Senior Vice President for Business  
52 and Finance well in advance of the event to allow adequate time for due consideration and a decision.  
53 Specific requests must meet the following conditions:

- 54 • The facility or building area involved is not open to the general public during the time of the  
55 event or access to the area is managed and restricted to the invited participants.
- 56 • The audience is a specifically invited group with the majority of the participants being of legal  
57 drinking age.
- 58 • The event is being held outside of normal office or business hours.
- 59 • Individuals and/or bartenders involved in serving alcohol must have completed the training for  
60 intervention procedures by servers of alcohol or the techniques for effective alcohol  
61 management programs offered by the Iowa State Center, ISU Dining, the National Restaurant  
62 Association, or other recognized training sponsor.
- 63 • Non-alcoholic beverages will also be served along with appropriate food.

64 **Resources**

- 65 • [Alcohol Use - Students and Student Organizations](#)
- 66 • [City of Ames Municipal Code](#)
- 67 • [Iowa Administrative Code, see §681-13.17\(2\) \[PDF\]](#)
- 68 • [Iowa Code, see Chapter 123](#)
- 69 • [Liquor License Information \(contact the Office of Risk Management\)](#)
- 70 • [Office of the Senior Vice President for Business and Finance](#)
- 71 • [Safety and You Annual Report](#)