



Policies with Regard to Alcohol, Drug-Free Schools and Communities

The unlawful use, manufacture, distribution, dispensation, sale, or possession of any illegal drug or controlled substance – without a valid prescription – is prohibited. This policy covers all illegal drugs, alcohol, and legal drugs, which impair a student’s or employee’s ability to successfully complete his or her work or educational program at the College. Students are prohibited from reporting to the College or to work or fieldwork while under the influence of any illegal drug or controlled substance, including alcohol. Violation of this policy may be grounds for serious disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal. Individuals suffering from drug or alcohol abuse are encouraged to seek assistance from their doctor who can refer them to proper treatment or rehabilitation programs. The College also reserves the right to require individuals to undergo a medical evaluation under appropriate circumstances. As an institution of higher education, the College believes that education and information about the risks imposed by the use of drugs will help reduce abuse.

Therefore, as part of its educational effort each semester the College organizes at least one Drug Education Seminar for students, and encourages all to attend. This supplements material and information about drugs that are incorporated into the curriculum.

A list of referrals regarding available treatment, special resources, community drug prevention programs, etc., is available by contacting the Office of Student Services.

SUSPENSION OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID ELIGIBILITY FOR DRUG-RELATED OFFENSES

A student who has been convicted of any offense under any Federal or State law involving the possession or sale of a controlled substance shall not be eligible to receive any federal grant, loan, or work assistance during the period beginning on the date of such conviction and ending after the interval specified in the following table:

If convicted of an offense involving the possession of a controlled substance, ineligibility period is:

First offense 1 year
Second offense 2 years
Third offense Indefinite.

The sale of a controlled substance, ineligibility period is:

First offense 2 years
Second offense Indefinite.

If you have any questions or concerns on this matter please contact the
Office of Student Services at (212) 343- 1234 ext. 5009.