Policy on Alcohol at CSUCI

PURPOSE:
The University Alcohol Policy relates to all members of the campus community with the exception of tenants leasing space in the academic campus with pre-existing agreements and those parties with agreements governed by the Specific Reuse Plan on behalf of the Site Authority (University Glen, The Town Center and the future Research and Development Park) otherwise including students, faculty, staff, visitors, and sponsored organizations and is intended to guide practices related to alcohol use and to achieve the following:

a. Provide a safe and secure environment.
b. Promote healthy choices for the campus community.
c. Consistently enforce laws and policies regarding the use of alcohol.
d. Educate the campus community regarding safe, legal, responsible and moderate consumption of alcohol for those who choose to drink and not to punish responsible, legal behavior.
e. Encourage members of the campus community to take responsibility for each other.
f. Provide assistance, when appropriate, to those members of the campus community who need support, treatment, and other services.
g. Involve members of the campus community in all steps of the implementation process and alcohol awareness program development.
h. Focus alcohol abuse prevention efforts on campus and community environments.

BACKGROUND:
California State University Channel Islands (CSUCI) is committed to creating a healthy learning environment in which illegal or improper use of alcohol and other controlled substances does not interfere with student learning, performance, or development within or outside the classroom. This policy supersedes the CSUCI Alcohol Policy Number SA.3.001 that was approved by President Richard R. Rush on 6/17/04.

Authority for establishing regulations and guidelines relating to the use of alcohol is vested in the University’s President, pursuant to Title 5, Article 2, section 41301(10) of the California Code of Regulations.

California Penal Code, Business and Professions Code, section 25662
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California State University Executive Order 969—Student Activities; This Executive Order develops and communicates systemwide policies, procedures, and/or guidelines for student organizations and activities.

California State University Executive Order 970—Student Conduct Procedure; This Executive Order is designed to afford students due process and to provide guidance to campuses to address student misconduct.

POLICY:

Accountability:
For students: the Judicial Affairs Officer; for staff: the Associate Vice President for Human Resource Programs; for faculty: the Associate Vice President for Faculty Affairs & Academic Resources; for campus events and visitors: the University Police Department.

Applicability:
All CSUCI students, faculty, staff, tenants, and visitors, on campus organizations, and off campus sponsored organizations and events.

Definition(s):
Alcoholic Beverage—Includes alcohol, spirits, liquor, wine, beer, and every liquid or solid containing alcohol, spirits, wine, or beer, and which contains one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume and which is fit for beverage purposes either alone or when diluted, mixed, or combined with other substances.

Sale—The exchanging of any consideration, either directly or indirectly, for an alcoholic beverage. The term “sale” also includes the imposition of any admission charge to, or any other charge for the event at which alcoholic beverages will be served exclusively to those who pay such charge. The term “consideration”, as used above, includes money or tickets, tokens or chips which have been issued in exchange for money, or anything else of value.

University Property—Any real property, land, facility, or annex property thereof, which is owned, leased, licensed, rented, used, or otherwise controlled by the University.

University Event—Any event, meeting, conference, party, or gathering that is conducted on University property or that is conducted or sponsored off campus by the University, or by a component thereof, or
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by an official, employee, or agent thereof, acting in his/her capacity as such, or by any club, team, or organization that is permitted to use the name of the University or that is officially affiliated with the University.

Appropriate University Official--President, Provost, Vice Presidents, Deans, Directors, Campus Police Officer, and Housing Administrator.

Residence--Any leased apartment or dwelling space on University property (including but not limited to balconies, adjacent sidewalks, parking lots and yards).

Resident--Any person who rents, leases, or resides in a residence.

Student Housing Consumption Zone – Any apartment where all occupants have completed the required Alcohol Education Program, met with the Resident Director or designee and has been granted full alcohol privileges.

Text:
The intent of this policy is neither to encourage nor to endorse the use of alcoholic beverages, but to describe the permitted and prohibited use of alcoholic beverages on campus. The University is committed to maintaining an environment that is predominantly free of the use of alcoholic beverages and in full compliance with federal and state laws and CSU System wide mandates and directives. Students, employees, or visitors who violate laws or University policies concerning alcoholic beverages shall be subject to criminal prosecution and/or institutional sanctions. Such sanctions may include behavioral probation, suspension, or termination/expulsion.

Authorization for the Possession, Sale or Distribution of Alcoholic Beverages

An individual or group may not possess, consume, sell or distribute alcoholic beverages on Cal State University Channel Islands property without the written approval from the President or designee.

On-campus Events:

- Any sale, furnishing, use, or consumption of an alcoholic beverage, at any on campus University Event that is made or performed by an individual, group or organization in violation of state or federal law and/or CSU System wide mandates and directives is
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- No minors shall be permitted to consume alcoholic beverages at any time. No person under twenty-one (21) years of age shall be in attendance unless specific control procedures to prevent service to and consumption by minors have been previously approved by appropriate University official.

- Any sale, furnishing, use or consumption of an alcoholic beverage at any University event without prior approval by the President or designee is prohibited. Attendance at the event shall be limited to members of the sponsoring organization and their invited guests. The event shall not be advertised or publicized as an event where alcoholic beverages are to be served. The facilitator of the event and the sponsoring organization are both responsible for compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and University policies.

- University Chief of Police must be notified in advance of any event where 100 or more people are expected and alcohol is served.

- The facilitator and/or sponsoring organization in charge of the event where alcohol is used or consumed are both individually responsible and liable for compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, University policies and procedures.

- Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages by any student within his/her own residence or another residence without first obtaining alcohol privileges and the dwelling designated as a Consumption Zone is prohibited. This rule also applies to students leasing space governed by the Specific Reuse Plan on behalf of the Site Authority (University Glen, The Town Center and the future Research and Development Park)

- Consumption of alcoholic beverages in a public area is prohibited, except where alcohol at an event is approved in advance by the President or the President’s designee.

- Any student resident or guests that do not meet state or federal laws, CSU System wide and/or CSUCI mandates required to in order to consume alcoholic beverages are prohibited from any student residence where alcohol is being stored or consumed or where alcohol containers are either empty or containing alcohol.
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- Any person under the age of 21 years present in or admitted into a student residence in which alcoholic beverages are being served or consumed is strictly prohibited.

- Intoxication in any area of the University is prohibited.

Off-campus Events:

- Any sale, furnishing, use or consumption of an alcoholic beverage, at any off-campus event sponsored by a registered/recognized student club or organization without prior approval by the President or designee is prohibited.

- Intoxication by any member of a University registered/recognized student club or organization at any off-campus event is prohibited. The facilitator and/or sponsoring organization in charge of the event where alcohol is used or consumed are both individually responsible and liable for compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, University policies and procedures.

Enforcement of Alcohol Policies—Violations of University Alcohol Policy will be strictly enforced.

a. On campus, the CSUCI Police Department exercises police powers in enforcing state laws regarding alcoholic beverages. Violators may be referred to the District Attorney for prosecution. In addition to requesting prosecution under appropriate laws, the University may impose its own sanctions on the students and University employees.

b. Violation of the University Alcohol Policy by students for on and off campus University events will be referred to the Judicial Affairs Officer.

Marketing and Sales of Alcoholic Beverages

- CSU Chancellor’s Office Executive Order No. 966 prohibits the sale of alcoholic beverages at any athletic event held in University owned or operated facilities and limits alcohol advertising to beer and wine on California State University campuses in compliance with policy guidelines consistent with the "Guidelines for Beverage Alcohol Marketing"
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distributed by the National Inter-Association Task Force on Alcohol Issues, a higher education coalition dedicated to the responsible use and advertising of alcoholic beverages.