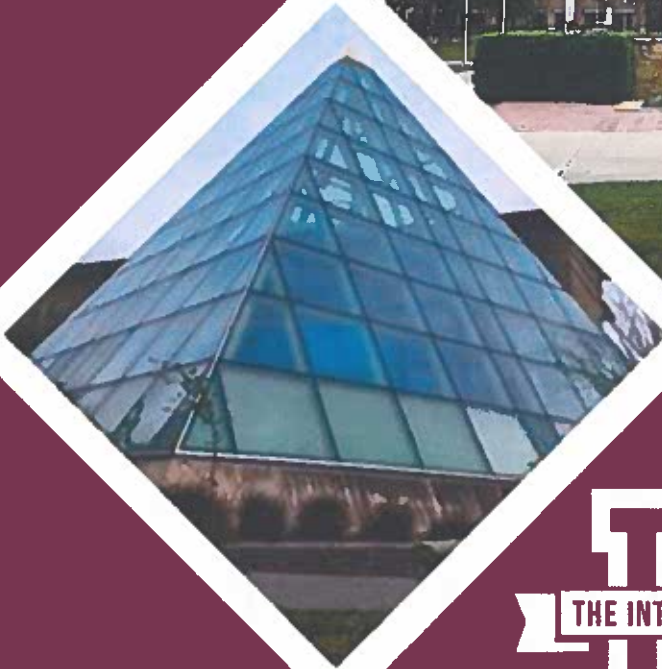


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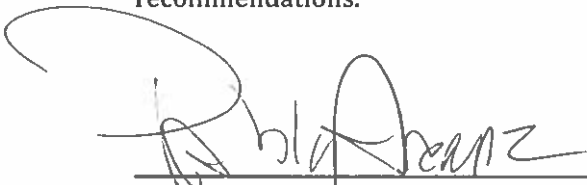
Texas A&M International University is required to make available the following information to all current students and employees. Please take a moment to read the following information. This report contains numerous links to websites with information that may be useful in reading this report. If any link does not function, please email scce@tamui.edu for assistance or call 956.326.2288.



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APPROVAL OF REPORT AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

I have reviewed the Texas A&M International University 2018-2019 biennial review to meet the Drug-Free Schools and Campuses Regulations (EDGAR Part 86) and agree with its findings and recommendations.



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INTRODUCTION

Texas A&M International University is committed to ensuring the safety and health of its employees and students. Alcohol abuse and illicit drug use disrupt the special environment of personal growth that all universities seek to develop. We all must help prevent alcohol abuse and illicit drug use from negatively affecting our precious learning and living environment. This summary provides basic information on University policy, legal sanctions, and health risks associated with alcohol and other drug abuse. Also included is information on intervention, assessments, counseling, and referrals through campus programs.

DRUG-FREE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITIES ACT (DFSCA) AND DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE PREVENTION REGULATIONS (DAAPP)

Provision

Part 86, of the Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Regulations, (Education Department General Administrative Regulations [EDGAR], requires that, as a condition of receiving funds or any other form of financial assistance under any federal program, an institution of higher education (IHE), must certify that it has adopted and implemented a program to prevent the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students and employees.

Developing a program that complies with the regulations requires an IHE to:

- 1) Communicate campus policies and standards of conduct regarding alcohol and drug use and the related sanctions to employees and students;
- 2) Publish and distribute written information regarding applicable federal, state, and local laws regarding alcohol possession and use;
- 3) Publish and distribute a description of health risks associated with the use of alcohol and drug;
- 4) Publish and distribute a description of treatment and counseling programs available on campus; and
- 5) Provide a clear statement that the University will impose sanctions consistent with local, state, and federal laws and University rules against students and employees.

Texas A&M International University (TAMIU), a member of The Texas A&M University System, is committed to providing its employees and students a drug and alcohol-free environment. In compliance with System Policy 34.02, Drug and Alcohol Abuse and System Regulation 34.02.01, Drug and Alcohol Abuse and Rehabilitation Programs, TAMIU Rule 34.02.01.L1, *University Alcohol and Drug Prevention Program* addresses alcohol use and abuse; the illegal use and sale, or possession of drugs; and the misuse of drugs including over the counter and prescription drugs. TAMIU Rule 34.02.01.L1, University Alcohol and Drug Prevention Program is available at <https://www.tamtu.edu/compliance/documents/Rules%20and%20SAPs/34.02.01.L1UniversityAlcoholandDrugPreventionProgram.docx.pdf>.

The University Police Department publishes the Annual Security and Fire Report. The most recent edition is available at <http://www.tamtu.edu/adminis/police/>.

In addition, the Student Handbook is published annually by the Division of Student Success and contains specific rules and sanctions in reference to both alcohol and drug use/abuse by students.

The TAMIU Student Handbook is available at
<http://www.tamtu.edu/scce/studenthandbook.shtml>.

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS (AOD) PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS AND ASSESSMENTS

Program Assessments and Highlights

As a means to create a holistic approach to the implementation of effective alcohol and drug abuse prevention programs, effective assessments should be used in the evaluation and to assist the University to set goals for future outreach activities. The following are a selected group of assessment information gathered over the 2018 and 2019 calendar year. While not all programs are assessed directly, the Institution finds the need to continue the conversation of effective decision-making as a priority in its outreach activities as well.

- 1) 1,169 entering students completed at least one section of AlcoholEdu during Academic Year 2018 and 2019.
- 2) *Sexual Assault Prevention Training*:
 - a. 88% of 2018-2019 Cohort completed Part 2 of training
 - b. 79% of 2019-2020 Cohort completed Part 2 of training
- 3) 117 students participated in the National Alcohol Screening Day in Academic Year 2018. The program did not occur for Academic Year 2019.
- 4) Student organization leaders completed the Risk Management Training
 - a. Calendar Year 2018 = 179 students and 18 advisors
 - b. Calendar Year 2019 = 192 students and 23 advisors

Executive Summary and Program Goals

During the review process, additional programs, services, assessments and opportunities presented themselves to the Taskforce membership and are expected to be developed and implemented over the course of the next biennial process.

Future reviews and compliance updates will be conducted according to the goals, objectives, and recommendations generated through the review process.

The Taskforce identified specific recommendations moving forward as part of the program evaluation:

- 1) Maintain and increase number of prevention and awareness programs for students and employees and conduct surveys.
- 2) Hold quarterly committee meetings to review and assess data analysis.
- 3) Communicate disclosure requirements to the senior executive group for review and approval.
- 4) Create a centralized University website for AOD programming.

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Several departments at Texas A&M International University (TAMIU) provide programs, services, and outreach efforts to address alcohol and drug issues. This section identifies these departments and provides a description of major programs offered by each during the 2018 and 2019 calendar year.

TAMIU strives to promote and encourage students to foster skills essential to their ethical, intellectual, social and personal development. Through various on-campus and community partnerships programs are developed to address educational components and responsible decision-making.

Major Programs:

- *Sexual Assault Prevention Training* - TAMIU requires all new and transfer students to complete this online training. Although not required of currently enrolled students, access to the online training is provided to them as well. This training addresses healthy relationships, communication, and consent, as well as covers the definitions of sexual assault, relationship violence, and stalking. This training also includes a discussion on risk awareness, reduction strategies, bystander intervention and social norms and campus policies and support resources.
- *Pre-Departure Orientation Training* – Division of Student Success requires each student who anticipates studying abroad during a short- or long-term program to complete a pre-departure orientation. Campus stakeholders present on alcohol laws, prevention initiatives and services while abroad in case an individual is a victim of a crime as well as the University's response and responsibility for students while abroad.
- *Annual Notification* - Each long semester, the University distributes via e-mail to all registered students and employees (faculty and staff) information about drug and alcohol policies, resources, legal sanctions, and health risks.

Office of Student Conduct and Community Engagement

Student Conduct and Community Engagement's (SCCE) promotes a responsible and ethical community. Throughout the year major programs are hosted to educate our community of learners about responsible decision-making.

Major Programs:

- *National Alcohol Screening Day* - SCCE hosts an annual event to assess drinking habits of undergraduate students as a means to reduce risky alcohol drinking and related consequences. The Brief Alcohol Screening and Intervention for College Students (BASICS).
- *21st birthday card* - SCCE mails a birthday card to each Texas A&M International University student on his or her 21st birthday. The cards are intended to promote responsible decision making and celebrating as it applies to their 21st birthday.
- *Spring Break Revolution* - SCCE partners with campus stakeholders to provide awareness of alcohol and other drug related issues as they relate to college campuses. These events promote health promotion and its programs. Events conducted include passive programming, tabling, active programs that involve outside resources.
- *Happy Hour* - SCCE hosts an active program to casually discuss healthy decision making in an alcohol-free environment.
- *Alcohol Sanctions* - SCCE has partnered with 3rd Millennium Classroom to administer an alcohol educational program to students found responsible for violating the alcohol policy.
- *Good Samaritan Amnesty Program* - The purpose of the program is to assist those individuals whose judgment or health is severely affected due to alcohol consumption or other substance use to seek assistance without fear of formal disciplinary action taken against them.
- *Motivational Interviewing (MI)* - MI is a technique used by the SCCE to help students and others change a specific behavior such as alcohol and drug use. The focus is on helping students arrive at the conclusion that they need to change a behavior. These behaviors may

be reducing alcohol use, stop smoking, decreasing risk for STD or other unhealthy risky behavior.

- Alcohol Edu Training - TAMIU requires all incoming students and provides access to all currently enrolled students to complete an online training. Alcohol Edu provides nine learning modules focused on strategic decision making through real life examples and provides data to enhance University decision-making.
- Campus Safety Week – SCCE partners with on-campus stakeholders to raise awareness on safety issues related to underage drinking distracted and impaired driving and sober options.
- Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention - TAMIU provides access to all currently enrolled students to complete an online training. Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention provides eight learning modules that arm students with the knowledge and skills to make healthy, informed decisions when it comes to prescription medications using an evidence-based, population-level approach to prevention.

Student Counseling and Disability Services

Student Counseling and Disability Services (SCS) provides short-term counseling and crisis intervention services to TAMIU students, including those suffering from alcohol and drug use. SCS also engages in outreach programs to educate the campus community on effective practices.

Major Programs:

- Talking, Listening and Counseling (TLC): Alcohol Awareness Presentation - SCS hosts a campus forum annually as a means of educating students on the health effects of alcohol and drugs use and connecting students to University and community resources.
- Counselor On-Call - SCS provides the TAMIU student community with access to a counselor 24/7/365 for crisis assessment and intervention facilitated through the University Police Department's 2-911 emergency line.

Office of Student Orientation, Leadership and Engagement

The Office of Student Orientation, Leadership and Engagement (SOLE) creates and fosters leadership and involvement opportunities that enhance personal, interpersonal and organizational development.

Major Programs:

- Event Planning - SOLE works with recognized student organization to appropriately plan for activities and assess risks associated with specific laws, rules and minimum standards for organizational risk mitigation including specific questions regarding events with alcohol. The event planning process assists students and advisors in the proactive identification of potential and perceived risks involved in their activities, as well as developing strategies for minimizing the impact of these risks.
- Risk Management Training - All new and renewing registered student organizations are required to complete Risk Management Training. At minimum, the Advisor, President and Risk Manager must attend annually. Learning outcomes for these seminars include helping the participants to understand the expectations or operating as a recognized student organization or advisor and identifying tools and resources to help organizations and advisors operate effectively and encourage the creation of a safe and productive environment. This training outlines:

- Understanding and adhering to all laws and rules (specific rules covered include Expressive Activity, Hazing, Title IX, Student Travel, Programs for Minors, and Student Organization Conduct/Discipline)
- Adhering to governing documents and reporting updates in a timely manner
- Effective practices to manage safety risks related to alcohol and drug use.
- New Student Orientation - All new freshmen and transfer students attending TAMIU are required to attend New Student Orientation. During the orientation, a presentation on effective decision-making including a discussion on alcohol and drug use is coordinated by SOLE.
- Greek Organizations Alcohol Workshops- All Greek organizations are required to attend an in-house alcohol education workshop that is offered by representatives from on- or off-campus organizations/departments/offices. Learning outcomes vary based on the workshop. At least 80% of members must attend one of these workshops. Additionally, the Greek Council at TAMIU hosts several alcohol awareness workshops throughout the year.

Housing and Residence Life

The Office of Housing & Residence Life (OHRL) uses a multi-pronged approach to dealing with resident issues regarding the inappropriate use of alcohol and other controlled substances in the campus residences. Looking at each resident as an individual OHRL staff focus a great deal of effort into educating residents on their rights and responsibilities. To that end when a resident is alleged to have committed a violation of their lease contract OHRL staff place them through the resident conduct process. With the lone exception of use or possession of illegal drug and related paraphernalia, which results in eviction, residents are sanctioned based on a restorative justice model with a focus on engagement of the individual in positive activities.

In the arena of providing information and education Housing and Residence Life works closely with Student Affairs, Health Services, Counseling Services, and University Police to offer multiple programming outlets and provide opportunities for both group and individual learning.

The RA's also are trained throughout the year to help identify residents who may be in crisis.

Housing and Residence Life works closely with Student Conduct and Community Engagement, Health Services, Counseling Services, and University Police to ensure that residents know their rights and responsibilities. OHRL has developed an accountability model to provide all residents accused of a violation a fair process to determine responsibility and ultimately an appropriate sanction for the actions in question.

Major Programs:

- Student Health 101- OHRL sponsors the wide distribution of the nationally recognized health newsletter that integrates social media, contests and promotes a culture of wellness.
- Spring Fling - In partnership with various offices OHRL hosts this annual event committed to assist students make appropriate decisions regarding drinking and sex during the spring break period.
- Alcohol Awareness Programs - Throughout the year OHRL staff host programs to inform residents about alcohol abuse.
- Alcohol Free Event Hosting - OHRL partners with offices and student organizations continuously to coordinate alcohol free programs.

University Police Department

The University Police Department (UPD) enforces alcohol and drug laws. UPD also tracks alcohol and drug violations, which occur on and adjacent to campus and offers programs to the campus community on drug and alcohol laws. Alcohol and drug law violations are tracked and reported by UPD as part of the Annual Security Report required by the Clery Act. The numbers of alcohol and drug arrests and referrals to student disciplinary officials are reported for a three-year period. The Annual Security Report also contains a section on TAMU's alcohol and drug policies.

Major Programs:

- Alcohol/Drugs and the Law - UPD offers information sessions to various campus stakeholders that focus on Texas state laws and institutional rules and regulation pertaining to alcohol and drug use.
- Campus Partnerships - UPD actively engages in partnering with multiple on-campus departments for outreach activities to educate the campus community on alcohol and drug programs.

Athletics Department

Through the administration of a Substance Abuse and Education Policy for student-athletes, the TAMU Athletics Department strives to protect the health and welfare of its student-athletes.

Major Programs:

- Mandatory Team Meetings - The Athletic Department requires each team to meet with athletic training staff and compliance staff prior to the team's first practice to review drug/alcohol rules, drug testing policy, banned substances and the Safe Harbor Program
- Drug Testing - All student-athletes on athletic roster, scholarship and non-scholarship, with participation eligibility remaining are subject to drug testing throughout the calendar year. Drug testing may be ordered by TAMU or the NCAA. The Athletic Compliance Officer in coordination with the Athletic Trainer is responsible for the implementation of all drug-testing policies.
- Safe Harbor Program - The Athletic Department conducts a Safe Harbor Program whereby a student-athlete may refer him/herself for voluntary evaluation, counseling, and education to provide them a substance free lifestyle. If the student-athlete tests positive for a banned substance during the term of the Safe Harbor Program, the positive test will not result in any punitive sanction. Should the student-athlete show continued use and if the student-athlete fails to comply with the treatment plan the student-athlete will be removed from the Safe Harbor Program and punitive sanctions will be implemented. A student-athlete is not eligible for Safe Harbor Program after he/she has been informed of an impending drug test or after having received a positive TAMU or NCAA drug test.

Financial Aid

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) includes a drug question that reads: Have you been convicted for the possession or sale of illegal drugs for an offense that occurred while you were receiving federal student aid (such as grants, loans, or work-study). The student self-certifies this question. The Financial Aid Office is notified by the Department of Education if a student admits a conviction. The office then must determine if the conviction affects the student's eligibility. No financial aid can be awarded or disbursed until the Financial Aid Office receives confirmation from the Department of Education that the student is eligible for aid. The Department of Education requires any student convicted to complete a qualified drug rehabilitation program, which must include two unannounced drug tests.

Human Resources

The Human Resources department is committed to providing employees with information and resources needed to be successful in their jobs. TAMIU is concerned about the health and welfare of its faculty and staff and in compliance with the federal Drug-Free Schools and Campuses regulations TAMIU has adopted a rule that requires faculty and staff to comply with federal, state and local laws, including those relating to alcoholic beverages, narcotics and other drugs.

Major Programs:

- Wellness Wednesday – Monthly on-campus program offering wellness related educational sessions.
- Health Fair – Offered during spring semester, vendors, local health care providers, local health care agencies, local fitness experts were invited to participate in wellness fair.
- Dear Oaks EPA – Newsletter promoting health habits and risk associated with unhealthy behavior such as alcohol consumption and drug abuse.

ANNUAL NOTIFICATIONS

Student Annual Notification

The annual notification distributed to students by the Division of Student Success is sent via University e-mail after the 12th class day of each long semester. Students are provided links to University Rules and informed about the University standards of conduct and preventive programming available to support their needs and decision-making process.

Faculty and Staff Annual Notification

Communication of our requirement and programs occurs on an annual basis through an all-employee email message and during every new hire orientation when all new employees are advised of the Texas A&M University System policy and regulation and TAMIU rule. Employees are provided links to System Policy 34.02, *Drug and Alcohol Abuse*, System Regulation 34.02.01, *Drug and Alcohol Abuse and Rehabilitation Programs*, and TAMIU Rule 34.02.01.L1, *University Alcohol and Drug Prevention Program*.

UNIVERSITY RULES ON ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS

Standards of Conduct

TAMIU is dedicated to cultivating an environment of respect, integrity, service, and excellence that empowers our students and employees (faculty and staff) to develop their greatest potential.

Employees (faculty and staff) can find standards of conduct within TAMIU rules and procedures available at <http://www.tamiau.edu/compliance/TAMIURulesSAPs.shtml>

Students can find the Standards of Conduct in the Student Handbook available at <https://www.tamiau.edu/scce/studenthandbook.shtml>.

University Alcohol and Drug Rule

All members of the University community are expected to abide by state and federal laws pertaining to controlled substances and illegal drugs. More specifically, Texas A&M International University Rules prohibit —manufacturing, possessing, having under control, selling, transmitting, using, or being party thereto any illegal drug, controlled substance, or drug paraphernalia on University premises or at University sponsored activities.

“Controlled substances” refers to those drugs and substances whose possession, sale, or delivery results in criminal sanctions under the Texas Controlled Substances Act, as well as substances, which possess a chemical structure similar to that of a controlled substance (e.g., “Designer Drugs”).

University Alcohol Student Rule

Individuals must be at least 21 years old to purchase alcoholic beverages. Possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages is restricted. Texas A&M International University Rules state that —drinking or having in possession, any alcoholic or intoxicating beverage(s) in public areas of the campus is prohibited. Students ages 21 or older who choose to consume alcoholic beverages in residence hall rooms are expected to do so in moderation to ensure residents’ rights to privacy, sleep, and study. The following behaviors are reasons for appropriate disciplinary or remedial action by the University: loud or disruptive behavior, interference with the cleanliness of the residence halls, or drinking habits which are injurious to the health or education of an individual or those around him/her.

University Illegal Drug Student Rule

The act of using, possessing, being under the influence of, manufacturing, or distributing illegal drugs or illegally obtained/possessed controlled substance is prohibited.

Except as expressly permitted by law, use, possession, manufacturing, or distribution or being a party thereto of marijuana, heroin, narcotics, or other controlled and/or prescribed substance and/or drug paraphernalia and/or dangerous drug is also prohibited. Individuals may not operate a motor vehicle or another form of transportation while under the influence of drugs or while intoxicated. (Refer to the [Standard Administrative Procedures 34.02.01.L1 Drug and Alcohol Rule](#))

University Disciplinary Violations and Sanctions

A student or employee found responsible of noncompliance with the Texas A&M International University Alcohol or Drug Policy or the laws of the State of Texas has committed a violation or University Rules and/or the Policy and Procedures Manual and is subject to sanctions commensurate with the offenses and any aggravating and mitigating circumstances.

Disciplinary action in cases involving drug related violations by students may result in suspension, dismissal, or expulsion from the University.

Cases involving employees will result in disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination. Severity of sanctions will depend upon the nature and seriousness of each case.

Violation of any state or federal law pertaining to controlled substances which occur off campus and are not associated with a University connected activity may result in disciplinary charges in situations in which the continued presence of the individual on campus is likely to interfere with the educational process and/or the orderly operation of the University.

University disciplinary proceedings will be in accordance with the procedures outlined in the University Rules (students) and the Policy and Procedure Manual (staff and faculty). Any disciplinary

action imposed by the University may precede and be in addition to any penalty imposed by authorities off campus.

Student Disciplinary Violations and Sanctions

The Office of Student Conduct and Community Engagement (SCCE) is responsible for implementing the code of conduct regulations and administrating the process. Conduct standards at the University are set forth in writing in order to give student general notice of prohibited conduct. A list of Student Rules is published in the Student Handbook which is available online. SCCE is committed to providing a fair and educational process that cultivates the highest standards of conduct. Staff constantly tries to balance the need of individual student with the need of the University community. Students found in violation of alcohol or drugs rule are subject to a range of sanctions.

The student conduct program is committed to an educational and developmental process that balances the interests of individual students with the interest of the University community. In alcohol and drug cases a multi-prong approach is used to assist students learn and grow.

Tables below show alcohol violations and sanctions imposed by year.

Alcohol Violations	2018	2019
Accepted Responsibility	15	-
Responsible	1	1
Not Responsible	1	-
No Action Required	-	-
TOTAL	17	1

Alcohol: Sanction Imposed	2018	2019
Reflective Paper	12	-
Conduct Review	13	-
Online Module: Under the Influence	12	-
Community Service	4	-
Conduct Probation	5	1
Suspension	1	1
Readmission Requirements	2	-
Probation	-	1

Tables below show drug violations and sanctions imposed by year.

Drug Violations	2018	2019
Accepted Responsibility	9	3
Responsible	-	3
Not Responsible	-	-
No Action Required	2	-
TOTAL	11	6

Drugs: Sanction Imposed		2018	2019
Reflective Paper		6	4
Conduct Review		2	2
Online Module: Under the Influence		9	4
Counseling Referral		-	2
Community Service		3	5
Conduct Probation		7	5
Suspension		1	1
Substance Abuse Assessment		2	1
Readmission Requirements		1	1

Tables below show the number of student-athletes drug tested as required by institution or NCAA.

Year 2018			
# of student-athletes	Positive	Negative	Outcome
64 (Institution)	1	63	Positive results merit removal from program
0 (NCAA)*			

*NCAA did not request drug testing.

Year 2019			
# of student-athletes	Positive	Negative	Outcome
50 (Institution)	0	50	Positive results merit removal from program
0 (NCAA)*			

*NCAA did not request drug testing.

Campus Alcohol and Drug Incidents

The Annual Security Report includes incidents that are classified as Liquor Law violations and Drug Law Violations in regard to arrest and disciplinary actions for the prior years. This data is available at http://www.tamtu.edu/adminis/police/Daily_Crime_Log.shtml.

Tables below show charges and outcomes by year. It is inclusive of all constituencies.

Year 2018		
Type of Offense- Other Drugs:	# of individuals:	Cleared by:
Possession of Marijuana Class B	3	Arrest
Possession of Controlled Substance Penalty Group 3 Class A	0	/
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia Class C	1	citation
TOTAL	4	

(Cont.) Tables below show charges and outcomes by year. It is inclusive of all constituencies.

Year 2018		
Type of Offense- Alcohol:	# of individuals:	Cleared by:
Minors in Possession of Alcohol Class C	5	citation
Furnishing Alcohol to Minor Class A	1	arrest
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) Class B	1	arrest
Possession of Alcoholic Beverage in Motor Vehicle Class C	0	
TOTAL	7	

Year 2019		
Type of Offense- Other Drugs:	# of individuals:	Cleared by:
Possession of Marijuana Class B	5	arrest
Possession of Controlled Substance Penalty Group 1 State Jail Felony	0	/
Possession of Controlled Substance Penalty Group 2 State Jail Felony	0	/
Possession of Controlled Substance Penalty Group 3 Class A	2	arrest
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia Class C	2	Arrest, citation
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia Class C		
TOTAL	9	

Year 2019		
Type of Offense-Alcohol	# of individuals:	Cleared by:
TOTAL	2 DWI's	arrest

*The above charts include the total number of arrests or citations imposed by the University Police Department. Some individuals may be counted in more than one category depending on the criminal charge.

Table below show sexual misconduct allegations involving alcohol and/or drugs.

Incident Date	Date Reported	Location	AOD	Misconduct Allegation	Outcome	Constituency
Fall 2015 - May 2018	5/8/18	Off campus	Alcohol	Stalking & Sexual Harassment	N/A	Student-Student
9/29/18	10/2/18	On campus	Alcohol	Sexual assault	N/A	Student-Student
October 2018	10/26/18	Off Campus	Alcohol	Sexual exploitation	N/A	Student - 3 rd party
2010	11/6/18	On campus	Alcohol	Sexual assault	N/A	Student-Student
January 2019	2/8/19	Off campus	Alcohol	Sexual Assault	N/A	Student-Student
February 2019	2/27/19	On Campus	Alcohol	Sexual Harassment	Unsubstantiated	Student-Student

LEGAL SANCTIONS

Laws

TX Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.03 Sale to Minors: It is a Class A misdemeanor to sell an alcoholic beverage to an individual under 21 years of age through an act of criminal negligence.

TX Penal Code 49.02 Public Intoxication: An arrest for Public Intoxication (P.I.) may occur if an individual appears in a public place while intoxicated so much that the person may endanger himself or herself or another person. This is a Class C misdemeanor. Blood Alcohol Concentration testing is not required for P.I.

TX Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.06 Purchase of Alcohol for a Minor; Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor: It is a Class A misdemeanor to purchase or make available an alcoholic beverage to an individual under 21 years of age through an act of criminal negligence. This offense is punishable by a fine of \$4,000 and/or confinement in jail for up to one year. A judge may require the defendant to: (A) perform community service for not less than 20 or more than 40 hours; and (B) attend an alcohol awareness program; and order the Department of Public Safety to suspend the driver's license or permit of the defendant or, if the defendant does not have a driver's license or permit, to deny the issuance of a driver's license or permit to the defendant for 180 days

TX Alcoholic Beverage Code 2.02 Civil Liability for Provision of Alcohol to a Minor: An adult 21 years of age or older is liable for damages proximately caused by the intoxication of a minor under the age of 18 if the adult is not the minor's parent, guardian, or spouse; or an adult in whose custody the minor has been committed by a court; and the adult knowingly served or provided the minor any of the alcoholic beverages that contributed to the minor's intoxication; or allowed the minor to be served or provided any of the alcoholic beverages that contributed to the minor's intoxication on the premises owned or leased by the adult.

TX Penal Code 49.031 Possession of Alcoholic Beverage in Motor Vehicle: It is a Class C misdemeanor to knowingly possess an open container in a passenger area of a motor vehicle that is located on a public highway, regardless of whether the vehicle is being operated or is stopped or parked.

TX Penal Code 49.04/49.05/49.06 Driving While Intoxicated; Flying or Boating While Intoxicated: It is a Class B misdemeanor to operate a motor vehicle, aircraft, or watercraft in a public place while intoxicated. The minimum term of confinement is 72 hours. An ignition interlock device will have to be installed on the car of a person convicted of driving with a blood alcohol level of .15 or more, if the defendant is to receive probation.

TX Penal Code 49.07 Intoxication Assault: It is a Third-degree felony to cause serious bodily injury to another by accident or mistake while operating any vehicle (motor, aircraft, or watercraft) in a public place while intoxicated.

TX Penal Code 49.08 Intoxication Manslaughter: It is a Second-degree felony to cause death to another by accident or mistake while operating any vehicle (motor, aircraft, watercraft) in a public place while intoxicated.

TX Transportation Code 724.046 Administrative License Revocation; Implied Consent: After being arrested for Driving While Intoxicated, failing or refusing the Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) test can result in license revocation. Revocation may NOT be probated and there is a \$125 reinstatement fee. An appeal process is available.

Alcohol and a Minor

TX Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.04/106.05 Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor; Possession of Alcohol by a Minor: It is a misdemeanor for minors to consume or possess alcoholic beverages except in the visible presence of the minor's adult parent, guardian, or spouse.

TX Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.02/106.025 Purchase of Alcohol by a Minor; Attempt to Purchase Alcohol: It is a misdemeanor for individuals under 21 years of age to attempt purchasing alcoholic beverages. —Attempt implies acting beyond mere preparation.

TX Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.07 Misrepresentation of Age by a Minor: It is a misdemeanor to falsely state or to present false documents indicating an individual is 21 years of age or older to a person selling or serving alcoholic beverages.

TX Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.071 Punishment for the above Alcohol-related offense by a Minor:

For a minor without two previous alcohol-related offenses, these are Class C misdemeanors. Punishment includes 8 to 12 hours community service and denial or suspension of the minor's driver's license or permit for 30 days. Attendance at an Alcohol Awareness Course is also required.

If a minor has at least two prior alcohol-related convictions, the offense is punishable by a fine of \$250 to \$2,000; and/or confinement in jail for up to 180 days. Punishment includes 20 to 40 hours of community service.

The minor's driver's license or permit will be denied or suspended: 60 days for a 2nd alcohol-related conviction; 180 days for subsequent convictions.

TX Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.115 Attendance at Alcohol Awareness Course; License suspension:

On first conviction of an alcohol-related offense, the court shall require the minor to attend an alcohol awareness course approved by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation, a drug education

program approved by Department of State Health Services or a drug and alcohol driving awareness program approved by Texas Education Agency. If under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian may be required to attend the course with the defendant. The defendant must present evidence of completion of the course and community service within 90 days of the date of final conviction. If the required evidence is presented within the prescribed period, the fine may be reduced up to half the original amount. Failure to comply results in denial or suspension of driver's license or permit for up to six months.

TX Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.041 Driving under the Influence of Alcohol by a Minor:

A minor commits an offense if the minor operates a motor vehicle in a public place while having any detectable amount of alcohol in the minor's system. For a minor without previous alcohol-related offenses, these are Class C misdemeanors. Punishment includes 20 to 40 hours of community service and denial or suspension of driver's license or permit for 60 days. If a minor has at least two prior alcohol-related convictions, the offense is punishable by a fine of \$500 to \$2,000; and/or confinement in jail for up to 180 days. Punishment includes 40 to 60 hours community service.

Legal Charges & Penalties

Charges	Fines	Confinement in jail
Capital Felony	-----	Life w/out parole or death
First-Degree	Up to \$10,000	Life or 5-99 years
Second-Degree	Up to \$10,000	2 to 20 years
Third-Degree	Up to \$10,000	2 to 10 years
State Jail Felony	Up to \$10,000	180 days to 2 years
Misdemeanor	Fines	Confinement in jail
Class A	Up to \$4,000	Up to 1 year
Class B	Up to \$2,000	Up to 180 days
Class C	Up to \$500	None

HEALTH RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS

Health Risks of Alcohol

Ethyl alcohol, or ethanol, is an intoxicating ingredient found in beer, wine, and liquor. Alcohol is produced by the fermentation of yeast, sugars, and starches. It is a central nervous system depressant that is rapidly absorbed from the stomach and small intestine into the bloodstream. A standard drink equals 0.6 ounces of pure ethanol, or 12 ounces of beer; 8 ounces of malt liquor; 5 ounces of wine; or 1.5 ounces (a "shot") of 80-proof distilled spirits or liquor (e.g., gin, rum, vodka, or whiskey). For more information, please visit the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) at <http://www.niaaa.nih.gov/> or the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) at <http://www.cdc.gov/alcohol/faqs.htm>

Alcohol affects every organ in the drinker's body and can damage a developing fetus. Intoxication can impair brain function and motor skills; heavy use can increase risk of certain cancers, stroke, and

liver disease. Alcoholism or alcohol dependence is a diagnosable disease characterized by a strong craving for alcohol, and/or continued use despite harm or personal injury. Alcohol abuse, which can lead to alcoholism, is a pattern of drinking which results in harm to one's health, interpersonal relationships, or ability to work.

Source document: "Alcohol", NIH: National Institute of Drug Abuse and Addiction

Health Risks of Illegal Drugs and Other Substances

Although initial drug use might be voluntary, drugs of abuse have been shown to alter gene expression and brain circuitry, which in turn affect human behavior. Once addiction develops, these brain changes interfere with an individual's ability to make voluntary decisions, leading to compulsive drug craving, seeking and use.

The impact of addiction can be far reaching. Cardiovascular disease, stroke, cancer, HIV/AIDS, hepatitis, and lung disease can all be affected by drug abuse. Some of these effects occur when drugs are used at high doses or after prolonged use. However, some may occur after just one use.

More information on the health effects of specific drugs is available at these websites:

<http://www.drugabuse.gov/related-topics/medical-consequences-drug-abuse>

<http://www.drugabuse.gov/drugs-abuse/commonly-abused-drugs/health-effects>

Illegal drugs and other substances have effects on many body systems. The following are some of these effects:

Effect on communicable conditions: Drug abuse not only weakens the immune system but is also linked to risky behaviors like needle sharing and unsafe sex. The combination greatly increases the likelihood of acquiring HIV/AIDS, hepatitis and many other infectious diseases. Drugs that can lead to these illnesses include heroin, cocaine, steroids, and methamphetamine.

Respiratory effects: Drug abuse can lead to a variety of respiratory problems. Smoking cigarettes, for example, has been shown to cause bronchitis, emphysema and lung cancer. Marijuana smoke may also cause respiratory problems. The use of some drugs may also cause breathing to slow, block air from entering the lungs or exacerbate asthma symptoms. Drugs that can affect the respiratory system include cocaine, GHB and ketamine, heroin, inhalants, marijuana, nicotine, PCP and prescription opiates.

Cardiovascular effects: Researchers have found a connection between the abuse of most drugs and adverse cardiovascular effects, ranging from abnormal heart rate to heart attacks. Injection drug use can also lead to cardiovascular problems such as collapsed veins and bacterial infections of the blood vessels and heart valves. Drugs that can affect the cardiovascular system include cocaine, heroin, inhalants, ketamine, LSD, marijuana, MDMA, methamphetamine, nicotine, PCP, prescription stimulants, and steroids.

Gastrointestinal effects: Among other adverse effects, many drugs of abuse have been known to cause nausea and vomiting soon after use. Cocaine use can also cause abdominal pain. Drugs that can affect the gastrointestinal system include cocaine, GHB, heroin, LSD, MDMA, nicotine, and prescription opiates

Musculoskeletal effects: Steroid use during childhood or adolescence, resulting in artificially high sex hormone levels, can signal the bones to stop growing earlier than they normally would have, leading

to short stature. Other drugs may also cause severe muscle cramping and overall muscle weakness. Drugs that can affect the musculoskeletal system include inhalants, MDMA, PCP, and steroids.

Kidney damage: Some drugs may cause kidney damage or failure, either directly or indirectly from dangerous increases in body temperature and muscle breakdown. Drugs that can cause kidney damage include heroin, inhalants, MDMA, and PCP.

Liver damage: Chronic use of some drugs, such as heroin, inhalants and steroids, may lead to significant damage to the liver. Drugs that can cause liver damage include heroin, inhalants, and steroids.

Neurological effects: All drugs of abuse act in the brain to produce their euphoric effects; however, some of them also have severe negative consequences in the brain such as seizures, stroke, and widespread brain damage that can impact all aspects of daily life. Drug use can also cause brain changes that lead to problems with memory, attention and decision-making. Drugs that can cause neurological problems include: cocaine, GHB and rohypnol, inhalants, marijuana, MDMA, methamphetamine, nicotine, and prescription stimulants.

Mental health effects: Chronic use of some drugs of abuse can cause long-lasting changes in the brain. This may lead to paranoia, depression, aggression, and hallucinations.

Drugs that can cause mental health problems include: cocaine, inhalants, ketamine, marijuana, MDMA, methamphetamine, and prescription stimulants.

Hormonal effects: Steroid abuse disrupts the normal production of hormones in the body, causing both reversible and irreversible changes. These changes include infertility and testicle shrinkage in men as well as masculinization in women. Drugs that can cause hormonal problems include steroids.

Cancer: Cigarette smoking is the most preventable cause of cancer in the U.S. Smoking cigarettes has been linked to cancer of the mouth, neck, stomach, and lung, among others. Drugs that can cause cancer include: nicotine, steroids.

Prenatal effects: The full extent of the effects of prenatal drug exposure on a child is not known, however studies show that various drugs of abuse may result in premature birth, miscarriage, low birth weight, and a variety of behavioral and cognitive problems.

Other health effects: In addition to the effects various drugs of abuse may have on specific organs of the body, many drugs produce global body changes such as dramatic changes in appetite and increases in body temperature, which may impact a variety of health conditions. Withdrawal from drug use also may lead to numerous adverse health effects, including restlessness, mood swings, fatigue, changes in appetite, muscle and bone pain, insomnia, cold flashes, diarrhea, and vomiting.

Mortality: Drug-related deaths have more than doubled since the early 1980s. There are more deaths, illness, and disabilities from substance abuse than from any other preventable health condition. Today, one in four deaths is attributable to alcohol, tobacco, and illicit drug use.

Source document: *"Medical Consequences of Drug Abuse"*, NIH: National Institute on Drug Abuse & Addiction

TREATMENT OPTIONS FOR DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE

A variety of resources exist for alcohol and other drug prevention education, counseling and referrals. To help individuals who may have an alcohol or other drug abuse problem, the following resources are available to students, faculty, and staff.

Resources for Students

The Division of Student Success is committed to promoting responsible decision-making regarding alcohol and drugs to the Texas A&M International University community through educational programming and resources. To request a presentation or obtain more information call Health Services at (956) 326-2235.

Student Counseling Service provides substance abuse assessments and referrals for students. Intervention and limited ongoing recovery support counseling is available. All contacts are confidential. For more information or to schedule an appointment call (956) 326- 2230.

Resources for Faculty and Staff

The Texas A&M International (TAMIU) Human Resources department is committed to providing employees with information and resources needed to be successful in their jobs. TAMIU is concerned about the health and welfare of its faculty and staff and in compliance with the federal Drug-Free Schools and Campuses regulations.

All TAMIU budgeted benefits eligible faculty and staff have free confidential access to the Employee Assistance Program (EAP). This program is provided to help employees with various personal problems that may arise, including alcohol and/or drug use/abuse. The service provides an employee that needs help, or has questions, a free and confidential place to seek assistance. Human Resources posts annual reminders about the EAP on UConnect and the EAP also hosts a website with resources and assessment tools for employees. For more information contact Human Resources at (956) 326- 2365.

Other Resources

Agency Name	Contact Number	Address	Services
Alcoholics Anonymous	(956) 722-9001	4120 San Bernardo Ave., Suite 6 Laredo, Texas	Alcohol program
Al-Anon Serenity Group	(956) 722-9001	4120 San Bernardo Ave., Suite 6 Laredo, Texas	Alcohol program
Serenidad Recovery Home	(956) 728-9131	1002 Paseo De Tiber Rio Bravo, Texas	Alcohol and Drug program
Calvary Center	(956) 723-1972	102 E. Lyon Laredo, Texas	Alcohol and Drug program, Faith-based program