

**Sam Houston State University**  
**A Member of The Texas State University System**

**President's Office Policy PRE-01**

**ALCOHOL BEVERAGE POLICY**

The sale or service of alcohol beverages on the campus of Sam Houston State University is not permitted except in, agricultural courses as a part of the academic curriculum, "special use" buildings, or facilities designated, all of which must be approved in advance by the University President. The University permits the use of alcoholic beverages at tailgate parties or picnic activities at designated NCAA intercollegiate athletic events only on the day of the event, during stated time parameters, and in the general proximity of the event, including outdoor locations or parking areas.

**Departments, individuals, or sponsoring organizations of events (where alcohol beverages are to be served in academic courses, special use buildings or other designated facilities) are required to complete the Alcohol Request Form requesting permission to serve alcohol.** This form will authorize the service of alcohol beverages in conjunction with an academic course or scheduled special event. The request should be initiated at least fifteen (15) business days in advance of the event.

Alcohol for events must be served by a licensed caterer, who must present a copy of "License to Serve Alcohol Outside of a Restaurant." The University catering service, Aramark, has this license, and per contract with Sam Houston State University, has right of first refusal for all University sponsored events. If an outside vendor is used, proof of General Liability will be required. Alcohol for academic courses may only be served by a faculty member with a current Texas Alcohol Beverage Commission issued Server's Permit.

Gift funds will be used to purchase alcohol.

The possession and consumption of alcohol beverages on any property owned and/or controlled by Sam Houston State University are prohibited except where permitted explicitly by published policies. The legal age for the purchase, consumption and/or possession of alcohol beverages in the State of Texas is 21. The legal age for participation in an academic course related to alcohol technology, production, or brewing which involves sensory perception including tasting without consumption is 18. The legal ages referenced are subject to change by action of the State Legislature and will become effective on campus as prescribed by law. Violators of this state law and University policy will be subject to University penalties and criminal charges.

Approved by: President's Cabinet  
Date: January 2017

Reviewed by: Kathy Gilcrease, Chief of Staff  
Date: January 2017

References:  
Texas Alcohol Beverage Code, Chapter 106