

Educational Institute:	American University of Malta
Policy Title:	Non-Smoking/Vaping Drugs & Alcohol Policy
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Effective Date:	15/07/2024
Responsible Office:	Office of Student Affairs & Counselling Department
Responsible	VP, Provost, Director of Student Affairs, Facilities.
Executive(s)	

OVERVIEW:

The American University of Malta (AUM) operates a smoke/vape, free, hard and soft drugs and alcohol-free policy in all buildings on campus and in Student Housing.

SCOPE:

The University prohibits the drinking of alcohol and or the taking of non-prescribed drugs by students at the American University of Malta. Furthermore, the usage, sale, or possession of alcohol and or drugs while at the University or in class or on AUM owned property is forbidden. Should a student be found to be under the influence of alcohol and or drugs they will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination, legal action from local law enforcement agencies and or revocation of all residency documents as underwritten by AUM if relevant.

ENFORCMENT:

It is our intent and obligation to offer an alcohol and drug-free, healthy, and safe study environment for all students at AUM. You may be suspended or dismissed if the University concludes that you cannot perform your studies and or pose a health and safety risk to yourself to other students, faculty and staff due to being under the influence of drugs and or alcohol while in the University and or staying in University Housing.

STUDENT SUPPORT:

Implementing a Non-Smoking/Vaping, Drugs, and Alcohol-Free policy is important for AUM as it



cultivates a healthier and safer academic environment for all students. Such a policy significantly improves awareness levels among students in terms of the health risks associated with smoking, vaping, alcohol and substance abuse, thereby enhancing the overall well-being of students.

Additionally, this policy helps to minimize disruptions and potential safety issues, ensuring a safe and conducive learning environment.

The University will make every effort to help its students who wish to seek treatment or rehabilitation for drug or alcohol dependency. For further assistance kindly contact the Director of Student Affairs either in person or via email on dave.oshaughnessy@aum.edu.mt

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