

General Policies

The following policies are university policies. Infractions for policy violations are handled by the Dean of Students office.

Drug and Alcohol Policy

Policy on Substance Abuse

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It is the policy of this institution that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, acquisition, possession, or use of alcohol and illegal drugs on the APSU campus, on property owned or controlled by APSU, or as part of any activity of APSU is strictly prohibited.

Austin Peay is dedicated to the pursuit and dissemination of knowledge and, as such, expects all members of the academic community to behave in a manner conducive to that end. The highest standards of personal and professional conduct must be maintained by faculty, staff, and students. Illegal or abusive use of alcohol and other drugs by members of the University community adversely affects the mission of the University and is prohibited. Accordingly, Austin Peay State University adopts the following policy, consistent with federal, state, and local laws. The policy is intended to accomplish the following:

1. Prevent substance abuse through strong educational efforts;
2. Encourage and facilitate the use of counseling services and rehabilitation programs by those members of the University community who require assistance in stopping substance abuse; and,
3. Discipline appropriately those members of the University community who engage in illegal substance-related behaviors.

Hazing Policy

Austin Peay State University Student Hazing Policy, New Member Bill of Rights Confirmation Form, And Liability Disclosure Notice Section I – Hazing Hazing is illegal. Hazing is defined in our “Code of Student Conduct” as: any intentional or reckless act, on or off institutional property by one student, acting alone or with others, which is directed against any other student, that endangers the mental or physical health or safety, of that student, or which induces or coerces a student to endanger such student’s mental or physical health or safety. Hazing does not include customary athletic events or similar contests or competitions, and, is limited to those actions taken and situations created in connection with initiation into or affiliation with any organizations.” Statutory Authority: T.C.A. 49-8-203, APSU “Code of Student Conduct,” in the Student Handbook and Calendar. Section II – Release of Liability I acknowledge that I fully understand that Austin Peay State University does not conduct recruitment/rush activities, or other activities sponsored or conducted by student organizations, and that Austin Peay State University does not provide or approve transportation for voluntary participation in such

activities. Such activities and events are not university sponsored and I am not in any way required by the university to participate. I understand that Austin Peay State University is not responsible for actions, losses, damages or injuries that may occur as a consequence of my attendance or participation in these activities or events. The university is also not responsible for actions, losses, damages or injuries that result from violation of University policies. I acknowledge that I am aware of University policies regarding rush activities, hazing, and the responsibilities of student organizations and I agree to abide by and adhere to said policies. I further understand that violations of the "Code of Student Conduct," including violating the hazing policy, may result in disciplinary charges and civil or criminal proceedings being brought against me. I understand that the university is not responsible for any actions, losses, damages or injuries that occur to me or to others as a consequence of members of student organizations driving and/or transporting recruits, members or other students to non-university sponsored off campus events. I also understand that I may be held accountable, responsible or liable for actions, losses, damages or injuries incurred by others resulting from my driving and/or transporting other persons to non-university sponsored off campus events.

Sexual Harassment Policy

The full Sexual Harassment Policy is available at:
<http://www.apsu.edu/files/policy/5003.pdf>