

ALABAMA COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

Tobacco Free Campus Policy

PURPOSE

The Purpose of the Tobacco Free Campus Policy is to promote a safe, healthy, and productive learning and working environment.

SCOPE

The Scope of the Tobacco Free Campus Policy is for all faculty, staff, and students at ACOM.

POLICY & ENFORCEMENT

Smoking and tobacco use are prohibited with no exceptions in all ACOM facilities and on all College property and other properties owned or leased by the College. This includes, but is not limited to, all indoor and outdoor areas and properties. Indoor areas and properties include, but are not limited to, all common work areas, elevators, hallways, College-owned or leased vehicles, garages, restrooms, dining areas, employee lounges, conference and meeting rooms, and all other enclosed areas in the workplace. Outdoor areas include, but are not limited to, parking lots, grounds, rooftops, plazas, courtyards, entrance and exit ways, and any other areas of the College campus.

For purposes of this policy, "smoking" is defined as inhaling, exhaling, burning, carrying, or possessing any lighted tobacco product, including cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, and any other lit tobacco products.

For the purposes of this policy, "tobacco use" is defined as the personal use of any tobacco product, whether intended to be lit or not, which shall include smoking as defined above, as well as the use of an electronic cigarette or any other device intended to simulate smoking and the use of smokeless tobacco, including snuff; chewing tobacco; smokeless pouches; any other form of loose-leaf, smokeless tobacco; as well as the use of unlit cigarettes, cigars, and pipe tobacco.

POLICY MANAGEMENT

The Associate Dean of Student Services is responsible for the development of the Tobacco Free Campus Policy. This policy is reviewed every two (2) years and will be housed in the electronic policy management system. For questions related to this policy, please contact the Associate Dean of Student Services.

REFERENCES

COCA Accreditation Standard: Element 4.2 Security and Public Safety



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POLICY HISTORY

Approved by: *Philip Reynolds, PhD, 3/21/2023, Compliance and Policy Committee, 4/20/2023; Dean's Cabinet, 5/3/2023*

Other: Supersedes any prior versions of the Tobacco Free Campus Policy

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