

# Huntingdon College Student Government Association

Senate Resolution SP 03-14  
Title: "Smoke-Free" Campus

## **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF HUNTINGDON COLLEGE**

Whereas: In recent months, many colleges and universities have declared themselves "smoke-free" or "tobacco-free," such as Auburn University, Faulkner University, Troy University, LaGrange College, University of Mississippi, and others,

Whereas: Numerous students and members of the Huntingdon community have expressed an interest in designating Huntingdon College as a "smoke-free" campus in order to create a healthier environment,

Whereas: Smoking is not only a health hazard to smokers, but also to those who surround them. According to the Surgeon General, "smoking causes a host of cancers and other illnesses and is still the leading preventable cause of death in the United States, killing 443,000 people each year." Additionally, second hand smoke annually causes "an estimated 42,000 deaths from heart disease in people who are current non-smokers" and "about 3,400 lung cancer deaths in non-smoking adults,"

Whereas: Huntingdon College's current tobacco policy states, "Smoking will be permitted outside each campus building but must be kept 25 feet away from common entrances,"

Whereas: The penalty for a violation of the new policy will be equivalent with the current policy, which states, "An initial violation of the smoking policy will result in a warning; a \$50 fine will be imposed for a second violation, with subsequent violations incurring greater penalties, including referral to the Judicial Board and possible loss of housing privileges on campus,"

Be it Hereby Resolved by the Student Government Association Senate of Huntingdon College that effective on the first day of August 2014, Huntingdon College shall be designated as a "smoke-free" campus, including all college-owned facilities, properties, and grounds. The following forms of tobacco usage will be deemed as a violation of this policy: including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipes, and hookahs.

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