



# Drug Abuse Policy

Students enrolled in TCU are subject to disciplinary action for the possession, manufacture, use, sale or distribution (by either sale or gift) of any quantity of any prescription drug or controlled substance, or for being under the influence of any prescription drug or controlled substance, except an over-the-counter medication or for the prescribed use of medication in accordance with the instructions of a licensed physician. Controlled substances including but not limited to: marijuana, K2 and other synthetic cannabinoids, synthetic stimulants (such as bath salts), cocaine, cocaine derivatives, heroin, amphetamines, methamphetamines, barbiturates, steroids, LSD, GHB, Adderall, Rohypnol, and substances typically known as “designer drugs” such as “ecstasy.” Possession of paraphernalia associated with the use, possession or manufacture of a prescription drug or controlled substance is also prohibited (see Code of Student Conduct section, Drugs). Students having prohibited substances in their residence and students in the presence of these substances or paraphernalia may be subject to the same penalties as those in possession.

The minimum penalty for a first-time violation of the Drug Abuse Policy for use or possession of a prescription drug or controlled substance may be disciplinary probation for a full year, a requirement for participation in a drug abuse education and/or treatment program, a fine, and/or community service and random drug screenings. Any student who violates the Drug Abuse Policy for use or possession of a prescription drug or controlled substance for a second time will be suspended from the University for at least one year. Possession of drug paraphernalia will subject a student to the same penalties as those imposed for use and possession of a prescription drug or controlled substance.

The penalty for a violation of the Drug Abuse Policy for sale, distribution or manufacture of a prescription drug or controlled substance will be permanent expulsion from the University. A student who voluntarily seeks help for drug or alcohol abuse is not subject to disciplinary action; in fact, University officials will do everything they can to assist the student in obtaining appropriate treatment. If the student continues to use drugs, then he/she does become subject to disciplinary action.