

AP 3560 Alcoholic Beverages

References:

34 Code of Federal Regulations Section 668.46(b);
23 U.S. Code Section 158;
23 Code of Federal Regulations Section 1208.4
ORS 471.105

The possession, sale or the furnishing of alcohol on campus is governed by state law and these procedures. A person must be at least 21 years of age to purchase alcoholic beverages in Oregon.

The possession, sale, consumption or furnishing of alcohol is controlled by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC). However, the enforcement of alcohol laws on-campus is the primary responsibility of the Risk Management Department and local law enforcement. The possession, sale, manufacture or distribution of any controlled substance is illegal under both state and federal laws. Such laws are strictly enforced by the Risk Management Department and local law enforcement. Violators are subject to disciplinary action, criminal prosecution, fine and imprisonment. It is unlawful to sell, furnish or provide alcohol to a person under the age of 21. The possession of alcohol by anyone under 21 years of age in a public place or a place open to the public is illegal. It is also a violation of this policy for anyone to consume or possess alcohol in any public or private area of campus without prior College approval. The consumption of alcohol on RCC property is prohibited under all circumstances including fundraisers and other special events, except for approved college courses or certain college events (as described below).

- Oregon law includes an exemption for students enrolled in a food or beverage career program at a higher education institution, including a community college. “Food or beverage career program” means a course of study designed to qualify a person for a career in the food service industry or alcoholic beverage industry, including but not limited to a course of study in culinary arts, viticulture, winemaking, enology, brewing or restaurant management. (ORS 471.580)
- For classes relating to growing and/or harvesting grapes or hops, or the production and/or marketing of wine or beer, limited consumption of, or tasting of, alcoholic beverages by students and/or staff may be an integral part of such classes. Other classes, such as those relating to public safety training may also include consumption of alcoholic beverages as an integral part of the class.

- Permission for appropriate consumption of alcohol by students/staff, which is considered to be an integral part of these special classes shall be included as part of the approval for scheduling such special classes. Under these special, limited circumstances, alcoholic beverages may be permitted on campuses from time to time. Prior to the advertising of such classes, the instructor must complete an Alcohol Permission Form, including a copy of the course outline, and obtain the required approval signatures.
- All course outlines/syllabi for these special classes must include notice that tasting of alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited for students under the legal age limit, and some classes may restrict enrollment, whenever appropriate, to students only of legal age and those students able to taste alcoholic beverages as needed to successfully complete the class.
- In all situations (either for college-approved course(s) or specific college events, described above), the RCC President, and/or their designee has the right to deny the use of alcoholic beverages at any college event or for any college-approved course(s).
- Prior to participation in the course, all students must submit a signed Alcohol-Related Events Hold Harmless Agreement. Completed forms must be kept on file by the Risk Management Department for six (6) years after the class has ended. Copies of the form may be accessed on RCC's website: <https://web.roguecc.edu/risk-management>

Organizations or groups violating alcohol or substance policies or laws may be subject to sanctions by the College.

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