



Alcohol Policy

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Overview

Pan-Atlantic University abides by and expects members of its community to abide by the laws governing the sale, purchase and consumption of alcoholic beverages in Nigeria. To this end the use of alcoholic beverages all over the University will be in accordance to guidelines set by the University.

Rationale

The legal drinking age in Nigeria is 18 years and Pan-Atlantic University as a good corporate citizen upholds this law. It has adopted this law and will implement it for the health and well-being of the university community. This is done to protect the members of the community who are below the drinking age and also those who through abuse may constitute a danger to themselves and other members of the community.

The University does not ban the responsible use of alcoholic beverages by university community members above the legal drinking age. However the fact that there will always be members of the community who are below the legal drinking age places certain restrictions on all in the community.

Policy

- The only alcoholic beverages which may be sold, served and consumed in the University are beers and non-fortified wines.
- Sale and consumption of liqueurs and spirits are prohibited.
- Possession, sale and consumption of all alcoholic drinks are prohibited in the Halls of Residence.
- Permitted alcoholic beverages may be served to and consumed by students of legal drinking age at events where their use has been approved by the University.
- Permitted alcoholic beverages may be purchased, served to and consumed by students of legal drinking age at places approved by the University. Places approved for consumption and sale of alcohol on campus include Meals Delight restaurant and the Minimart (Clare Ebere) at the Student Centre.
- Outside of these circumstances the purchase and consumption of alcohol is prohibited.
- Inappropriate behaviour of any kind directed towards or resulting from the use of alcohol is unacceptable.

Guidelines

Violations of the alcohol policy could, depending on the gravity, lead to suspension. The following though not exhaustive give an indication of things to avoid.

- Under no circumstance should a student under 18 years consume alcohol.
- Public intoxication
- Driving while intoxicated
- Causing a disturbance due to alcohol intoxication
- Possession of alcohol in public spaces
- Binge drinking

Scope

This scope of this policy covers the Main Campus of the University.

Related Policies/Procedures

Student Code of Conduct

APPENDIX

1. As stipulated in the revised alcohol policy recently approved by Senate, any student under the age of 18 suspected of taking alcohol or any other student suspected to be tipsy, intoxicated or drunk shall upon request by a security officer, submit himself/herself to alcohol test approved by the University.
2. Security officers of the University shall use the non-contact type of Breathalyzer as the instrument for alcohol tests.
3. To administer the test, student takes a deep breath and blows into the breathalyzer.
4. An under-aged student shall be deemed to have failed the test if result of the test is a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) equal to or greater than 0.01g/100mL.
5. A student above 18 fails the test if the BAC is equal to or greater than 0.05g/mL.