



A Guide for UD Students who Violate Local Laws

Off Campus Conduct Policy

University of Delaware students are expected to be law-abiding students and citizens. Violation of local, state, or federal law will be subject to University disciplinary action. While students are not charged in the Student Conduct process for a specific off-campus crime, students are held accountable through the Off-Campus Conduct Policy. A student who has plead or otherwise accepted responsibility for a violation, e.g. Probation Before Judgment (PBJ) or nolo contendere, in Alderman's Court or another court should be aware of pending University charges.

Amnesty and Good Samaritan Protocol

Student health and safety are of primary concern. As such, in cases of intoxication and/or alcohol poisoning, the University encourages individuals to seek medical assistance for themselves or others. If an individual seeks medical attention, the Office of Student Conduct may not pursue disciplinary sanctions for violations for the Off Campus Conduct Policy. Students will be required to complete a series of educational requirements. Medical Amnesty does not prevent action by UDPD, Newark Police Department or other law enforcement personnel. For further information or to apply for amnesty, visit the Office of Student Conduct.

The Student Conduct System

The student conduct system may adjudicate any violation of the Code of Conduct or any other University policy that is alleged to have been committed by:

- A full or part time matriculated or continuing education student;
- A student who is serving a period of suspension from the University
- A student enrolled in any special program at the University; or
- A student organization.

May I have an Attorney?

While a student may wish to consult with an attorney regarding criminal matters, attorneys are not permitted to participate in University administrative hearings except when a student is facing felony charges. A student may consult with a Student Conduct Advisor, free of charge, regarding University conduct matters. A list of Student Conduct Advisors is available at:

www.udel.edu/studentconduct/advisorlist.htm

What to Expect After Court

The City of Newark forwards information to the Office of Student Conduct about students who are convicted of or plead guilty to a crime from Alderman's Court.

The Office of Student Conduct will send an email to the student announcing the Off-Campus Conduct charge. The email will also contain a deadline by which the student must complete a pre-hearing meeting.

During the pre-hearing, the student will be given the chance to discuss the incident, share their version of the incident and learn of conduct expectations for the University community. The student will have the opportunity to ask questions and review relevant information available in his or her disciplinary file. The student will also learn the options available for resolving the case. He or she will have the opportunity to accept or deny responsibility, accept or reject the sanctions, and enter the appeal process.

Failure to attend the pre-hearing meeting within the specified time will be considered an acceptance of responsibility for the violation. Sanctions will be applied without any input from the student.

Sanctioning of Off-Campus Violations

The current incident and a student's previous conduct history are considered in determining sanctions. Sanctions are cumulative and can range from a reprimand to expulsion from the University. Educational or other sanctions may also be imposed. A \$100 processing fee will be issued for each student conduct case with a responsible outcome.

Please Note

Students should consult with the Office of Student Conduct if there is a question about how the court matter will affect their status as a student at the University. Police or court personnel are not qualified to answer your questions about University consequences for Off Campus Policy violations.