**Wofford College Policy Statement on Beverage, Alcohol and Drug Abuse**

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Students and guests 21 years or older may possess and consume alcoholic beverages only in designated areas of the campus.

Part 1 of the policy defines and describes individual use responsibility, and part 2 of the policy defines and describes organizational responsibility and liability.

**Definitions**

1. **Alcoholic Beverage**: any spirituous malt, vinous, fermented, brewed (whether lager or rice beer) or other liquors or any compound or mixture thereof, by whatever name called or known, that contains alcohol and is used as a beverage.

2. **Common Container**: any container (such as kegs, pony kegs, trash cans, punch bowls, etc.) in which a quantity of alcohol can be stored or mixed in order to be distributed to or consumed by more than one person, as well as alcohol delivery devices (such as funnels, gelatin shots or ice luge) used for the rapid administration of alcohol in unknown quantities.

3. **Event**: party, concert or other social gathering attended by undergraduate students.

4. **Public Areas/Places**: All locations other than a student’s private room or apartment or Greek houses including, but not limited to, common rooms, hallways, restrooms, balconies, courtyards, the areas between Greek houses, benches, classrooms, athletic facilities, campus grounds and sidewalks. The definition includes, but is not limited to, any public access outdoor areas, the Pavilion, the dining hall, hallways, lobbies, stairwells, bathrooms, lounges, front yards of fraternity houses, the middle of fraternity row, study areas, classrooms and the Glendale campus.

5. **Sale of Alcohol**: any transfer, trade, exchange or barter in any manner by any means for consideration of alcohol (e.g., cover charges, mug/T-shirt sales, etc.)

6. **Use of Alcoholic Beverages**: includes possession, consumption, distribution, purchase, sale or transfer of alcoholic beverages.

7. **Hall Party**: See residence hall policy.

8. **Possession is defined to include but not limited to**:
   a. **Individual possession**: any alcohol, drugs or drug paraphernalia within immediate proximity of an individual person or that is being transported by or carried on an individual person.
   b. **Residential possession**: storage of any quantity of alcohol, drugs or drug paraphernalia not deemed individual possession will be attributed to the assigned residents of the residence hall room. In the event that no individual resident claims the alcohol, drugs or drug paraphernalia, the possession will be assigned to all residents assigned to the residence hall room.

9. **Drinking Contests**: Activities in which students consume alcoholic beverages in a risky manner, such as beer pong, shot parties, pre-gaming.

10. **Student’s record**: A record of code of conduct violations for each Wofford College student is maintained by the Office of Student Affairs. This record is kept on file for five years after termination of a student’s enrollment or as required by law.

**General Provisions Regarding the Consumption and Possession of Alcohol**

1. **Areas where alcohol is prohibited**:
   a. Marsh, Greene and Carlisle Halls (regardless of age).
   b. Residence hall rooms in which both residents are under the age of 21.
   c. Other residence areas designated by Student Affairs as dry (regardless of age), including but not limited to bathrooms, hallways and lounges.
d. Public areas of Wofford College (unless officially designated by Wofford College for special events).

2. Areas where alcohol is allowed to be consumed by students 21 years of age and older:
   a. Porches, decks and the inside of fraternity houses.
   b. Individual residence hall rooms where both residents are 21 years or older (except Marsh, Greene and Carlisle halls).

3. For information on residence hall rooms shared by a student who is at least 21 years of age and a student who is under the age of 21, see the Residence Life Policy in this handbook.

4. The use of alcoholic beverages on campus or at college-sponsored functions is permitted only by those of legal age as specified in accordance with South Carolina law or the state law of the state in which the event is located. A list of applicable local, state and federal laws may be viewed online or in the Office of Student Affairs.

5. Aiding and abetting in the sale or transfer and the actual sale and transfer of alcoholic beverages to any person under 21 years of age is prohibited.

6. Any individual consuming or possessing alcohol must have a valid picture identification card on his or her person proving that he or she is 21 years of age or older. Use of another individual’s identification or the possession of false identification is prohibited.

7. Under no circumstances will college-appropriated funds be used by individual students, student groups or student organizations for the purchase of alcoholic beverages for student events.

8. Drinking contests or alcoholic delivery devices resulting in rapid consumption of alcohol are prohibited. No prizes or incentives may be awarded for consuming alcoholic beverages, nor may alcoholic beverages be awarded as prizes or incentives.


Violations by individuals of the general provisions of the Alcohol Policy will be assigned to one of three categories: A, B or C, as defined below.

**Category A: Definition**

The following are considered Category A violations:

1. Underage use of alcoholic beverages
2. Aiding and abetting underage use of alcoholic beverage
3. Use of alcoholic beverages or possession of an open container in areas where alcoholic beverages are prohibited

**Category A: First Offense Sanctions**

Students charged with a first offense Category A violation will meet with a member of the Student Affairs staff, to whom they may plead guilty and accept the sanctions below: Otherwise, they may plead not guilty and request an administrative hearing.

1. **Education:** The student will be referred to the director of the Wofford College Wellness Center or an outside agency for the purposes of an individual assessment and treatment, if indicated, with any associated costs or fees incurred by the student.
2. **Fine:** A $100 fine must be paid to Wofford College within 30 days of the date of the conviction.
3. **Community Restitution:** The student will complete up to 10 hours of community restitution within 30 days of the sanction. These hours will be completed under the direction of the Judicial Commission’s clerk of court or a designee of the dean of students.

If the student pleads guilty to or is found guilty of a first offense Category A violation, the violation will be noted in the student’s record maintained in the Office of Student Affairs and a letter (hard copy or email) will be sent to the
parent(s) or guardian(s) notifying them of the violation. If the student fails to complete the sanctions, the Wofford College director of financial aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with Wofford College.

Alcohol Education Option: Formal Written Warning

The Alcohol Education Option is available once to students with no prior alcohol or drug violations. Students must complete the Alcohol Education Option within 30 days of selecting the option. If a student fails to complete the requirements of the Alcohol Education Option, the Wofford College director of financial aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with Wofford College. Completion of the Alcohol Education Option will be noted in the student’s record maintained within the Student Affairs office, and the charge against the student will be rescinded.

Requirements of the Alcohol Education Option:

1. **Education:** The student will be required to complete an educational workshop addressing the issue of alcohol use and abuse. This workshop is conducted by the staff in the Wellness Center.

2. **Fine:** A $50 fine must be paid to Wofford College, which will be used to fund educational speakers, programs, services and supplies to address the challenge of alcohol or drug use and abuse.

A letter (hard copy or email) will be sent to the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the student notifying them of the election to complete the Alcohol Education Option in response to a charge of the student violating the general provisions of the Alcohol Policy.

Category A: Second Offense Sanctions

Students charged with a second offense Category A violation as defined above will appear at an administrative hearing. Wofford College will notify the student’s parent(s) or guardian(s) of the pending charge and the hearing date by letter, email, fax or telephone call. If the student pleads guilty or is found guilty, the following sanctions will be imposed as well as others deemed appropriate.

1. **Education:** The student will be required to complete South Carolina’s Alcohol and Drug Safety Action Program (ADSAP) through the Spartanburg Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission, with all associated costs or fees incurred by the student.

2. **Formal Warning:** The student will be notified in writing that he/she will be suspended or expelled if found guilty of a third alcohol violation.

3. **Fine:** A $200 fine must be paid to Wofford College within 30 days of the date of the conviction.

4. **Community Restitution:** The student will complete up to 15 hours of community restitution within 30 days of the sanction. These hours will be completed under the direction of the Judicial Commission’s clerk of court or a designee of the dean of students.

If the student pleads guilty to or is found guilty of a second offense Category A violation, the violation will be noted in the student’s record maintained in the Office of Student Affairs and a letter will be sent to the parent(s) or guardian(s) notifying them of the violation. If the student fails to complete the sanctions, the Wofford College director of financial aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with Wofford College.

Category A: Third Offense Sanctions

Students charged with a third offense Category A violation will appear in an administrative hearing. Wofford College will notify the student’s parent(s) or guardian(s) of the pending charge and the hearing date by letter, email, fax or telephone call. If the student pleads guilty or is found guilty, the student will be suspended or expelled from Wofford College. The violation will be noted in the student’s record maintained in the Office of Student Affairs. A letter will be sent notifying the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the findings and actions of the hearing. The dean of students, the registrar, the director of financial aid and the director of residence life at Wofford College will be notified that the student has been suspended or expelled. In the event of suspension, the report from the administrative hearing will confirm the length of the suspension and the dean of students will confirm any terms or conditions for readmission to Wofford College.

Category B: Definition

Violations include, but are not limited to, the following actions of an individual while under the influence of alcohol:
1. Causing harm to oneself, others or college property
2. Engaging in physical violence or vandalism
3. Showing disrespect to an employee of Wofford College
4. Possessing a keg or common container except for nonstudent events approved by the Wofford College administration

**Category B: First Offense Sanctions**

Students charged with a first offense Category B violation will appear in an administrative hearing. If the student pleads guilty or is found guilty in the administrative hearing, then the following sanctions will be imposed as well as others deemed appropriate.

1. Education: The student will be referred to the director of Wellness Center or, if indicated, an outside agency for the purposes of an individual assessment and treatment with any associated costs or fees incurred by the student.
2. Fine: A $300 fine must be paid to Wofford College within 30 days of the conviction.
3. Formal Warning: The student shall be notified in writing that he/she will be suspended or expelled if found guilty of a second offense Category B violation.

If the student pleads guilty to or is found guilty of a first offense Category B violation, the violation will be noted in the student’s record maintained in the Office of Student Affairs and a letter will be sent to the parent(s) or guardian(s) notifying them of the findings of the hearing. A Category B violation will also count as two violations of the alcohol policy for counting of Category A violations. If the student fails to complete the sanctions, the Wofford College director of financial aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with Wofford College.

**Category B: Second Offense Sanctions**

Students charged with a second offense Category B violation will appear in an administrative hearing. Wofford College will notify the student’s parent(s) or guardian(s) of the pending charge and the hearing date by letter, email, fax or telephone call. If the student pleads guilty or is found guilty, the student will be suspended or expelled. The violation will be noted in the student’s record maintained in the Office of Student Affairs. A letter will be sent notifying the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the findings of the hearing. The dean of students, the registrar, the director of financial aid and the director of residence life at Wofford College will be notified that the student has been suspended or expelled. In the event of suspension, the administrative hearing will confirm the length of the suspension and the dean of students will confirm any term or conditions for readmission to Wofford College.

**Category C: Definition**

Violations include a student found producing, possessing and/or using a false identification.

**Category C: First Offense Sanctions**

Students may plead guilty or request an administrative hearing. Students who plead guilty will be assigned the following sanction by the dean of students or staff designee. If the student pleads guilty or is found guilty at the administrative hearing, then the following sanctions will be imposed as well as any others deemed appropriate.

1. Education: The student will be referred to the director of the Wofford College Wellness Center or an outside agency for the purposes of an individual assessment and treatment, if indicated, with any associated costs or fees incurred by the student.
2. Fine: A $200 fine must be paid to Wofford College within 30 days of the date of the conviction.
3. Community Restitution: The student will complete up to 15 hours of community restitution within 30 days of the sanction. These hours will be completed under the direction of the Judicial Commission’s clerk of court or a designee of the dean of students.

If the student pleads guilty to or is found guilty of a first offense Category C violation, the violation will be noted in the student’s record maintained in the Office of Student Affairs and a letter will be sent to the parent(s) or guardian(s) notifying them of the violation.
A Category C violation will also count as a violation of the alcohol policy for counting of Category A violations. If the student fails to complete the sanction, the Wofford College director of financial aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with Wofford College.

**Category C: Second Offense Sanctions**

Students charged with a second offense Category C violation will appear in an administrative hearing. Wofford College will notify the student’s parent(s) or guardian(s) of the pending charge and the hearing date by letter, email, fax or telephone call. If the student pleads guilty or is found guilty, the administrative hearing will impose sanctions as deemed fit. The violation will be noted in the student’s record maintained in the Office of Student Affairs. A letter will be sent notifying the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the findings of the hearing. If the student fails to complete the sanctions for a second offense Category C violation, the Wofford College director of financial aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with Wofford College.

**The Amnesty/Assistance Contract**

Students are encouraged to look out for the health and safety of themselves and their peers. When a student’s health and/or safety is threatened or appears to be in jeopardy, immediate actions should be taken to prevent injury, illness or danger. The action might include calling a staff member in the Wellness Center, Campus Safety, Student Affairs or Residence Life offices to receive assistance in handling the emergency. Whatever the particular need or problem, it is important to respond in a responsible and timely manner.

Information obtained during the subsequent response by a member or members of the staff in the Wellness Center, the Campus Safety Department, the Office of Student Affairs or Residence Life during the delivery of medical treatment will not be used to bring disciplinary action under the alcohol policy against that individual or individual(s) who called for assistance, provided that the student(s) has not violated any other (non-alcohol) college policy (such as hazing, injury to people and vandalism). The student who required medical treatment will be required to meet with a member of the staff in the Office of Student Affairs and in the Wellness Center to complete an alcohol and drug assessment and an educational program.

**Part 2: Organizations**

**Provisions for the Possession and Consumption of Alcohol at Student Organizational and Community Events**

Wofford College encourages social activities for students and social gatherings on or off campus.

Organizations and individuals given permission to host an event on or off campus at which alcohol will be present may be held responsible for the actions and well-being of their guests.

The definitions and requirements stated below are the minimum standard to be followed. Organizations and individuals governed by regulations from bodies such as the NCAA, national fraternities, national sororities and others may have additional regulations that must be met.

All social events, on or off campus, must be registered in the Office of Student Affairs. Registration forms are available in the Office of Student Affairs or can be downloaded from the Student Life web site: www.wofford.edu/studentlife. These forms must be completed and returned to the dean of students or her designee four days prior to the event.

**Definitions**

1. Social events include, but are not limited to band parties, hall parties, mixers, formals, theme parties or other activities, including fundraisers featuring musical entertainment (e.g., step performances, disc jockeys).

2. Organizational or individual sponsorship is defined as an event to which:
   a. The organization or individual has invited students to attend by either verbal or written invitation.
   b. The organization or individual is associated with, has leased or owns the place where the event is being held.

**Requirements**

Wofford College faculty, staff, students and organizations are expected to know the Wofford College Policy on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. To promote personal responsibility and self-governance, organizations and individuals
that sponsor social events shall assume the responsibility of enforcing the following guidelines, unless exceptions are approved by the Wofford College administration for nonstudent events:

1. Wofford College expects any group of students formally or informally organized to act responsibly and to obey Wofford College policies, and to follow all applicable local, state and federal laws.

2. Before hosting an event, officers and social chairs of the organizations or sponsoring individuals must participate in a risk management program conducted by a member of the Student Affairs, Campus Safety and Wellness Center staff. Risk management training must be renewed each semester for social organizations.

3. Organizational officers or individuals sponsoring the event are encouraged to assist in making arrangements for the safety of those who appear to be impaired.

4. The sponsoring organization or individuals shall designate at least two students to serve as monitors (referred to as sober party monitors or SPMs) for the event. The monitors must not consume alcoholic beverages before or during the event. The monitors are to ensure that the age of each attendee is checked and some type of identification, such as wristbands, indicates individuals who are of legal age to possess and consume alcohol.

5. If alcohol is being consumed at a social event that is individually sponsored or under the aegis of a student organization, whether the event is held on or off campus, the members of the group and guests (who are at least 21 years old) must bring their own alcoholic beverages to the event (BYOB/BYOL) or the alcohol must be provided by a third-party vendor.

6. If a social event is to be held off campus, if it will be a BYOB or if it will be a third-party vendor event, the sponsoring organization or individuals must provide transportation for all students and guests.

7. At every social event where alcohol is to be served, all attendees shall be required to have a valid picture identification card with birth date listed. Wofford College students are additionally required to have their Wofford College student identification card.

8. Events sponsored by organizations or individuals are closed to all but members and their invited guests.

9. Social events may not include any form of drinking contests in their activities or promotions. No alcoholic beverages may be awarded as prizes or incentives.

10. Organizations or individuals sponsoring an event may not distribute alcohol to attendees, including free alcoholic beverages. They may not use common containers or distribute alcohol that was brought to the event by a host, a member or a guest.

11. Organizations or sponsoring individuals are to provide non-salty food items and non-alcoholic beverages.

12. Organizations or sponsoring individuals shall hire security personnel to maintain order and to enforce all applicable laws and policies.

13. Advertisements, posters or invitations that are intended for public viewing may not mention or depict alcohol or use terms referring to alcohol, such as “beer” or “happy hour.”

14. SPMs should supervise the amount of alcohol consumed by individual attendees of the social event.

15. Campus Safety officers and staff members may visit social events periodically to check with the persons responsible for the event, primarily to offer assistance. If a violation of the law or college policy is observed, the officer will issue a violation and report the incident to the appropriate college official.

Sanctions for Part 2 Violations of the Provisions for the Use of Alcohol at Organizational and Community Events

If an organization, an individual or a group of individuals host an event at which alcoholic beverages are present and one or more of the 15 requirements listed above are not adhered to, the individual(s) or organizational leaders may be charged with an organizational violation of the alcohol policy. Depending upon the severity of the situation, the dean of students or his/her designee may propose one or more of the following sanctions for the violation(s):

1. Formal Written Warning
2. Monetary Fine
3. Educational Seminar
4. Community Restitution or Community Service
5. Creating and Hosting Dry Events
6. Loss of Use of Wofford College Facilities
7. Suspension of College Charter

The individual(s) or organizational leaders may sign and accept the sanctions and the deadline for completing them or they may request an administrative hearing. If the organization or sponsoring individual is found in violation of the provisions of this policy, the administrative hearing can impose sanctions on the organization or individual, including but not limited to:

1. Formal Warning
2. Monetary Fine
3. Educational Seminar
4. Community Restitution or Community Service
5. Creating and Hosting Dry Events
6. Loss of Use of Wofford College Facilities
7. Suspension of College Charter

Wofford College reserves the right to suspend the activities of an organization or deny the ability of individuals to sponsor social events when said organization or sponsoring individual has been charged with a violation, pending the findings and resolution of the administrative hearing.

**General Provisions Regarding the Possession and Distribution of Illegal Drugs**

Possession, sale or use of narcotic, mind-altering or other illicit drugs except for one's own prescription by a licensed physician is prohibited by Wofford College, local ordinances, and state and federal laws. Possession or use of prescription drugs prescribed to another individual is prohibited by Wofford College. The sharing or distribution of prescription drugs is prohibited by Wofford College.

Possession with the intent to sell or distribute illegal drugs will be determined in accordance with local, state and federal laws. A summary of the specific local, state and federal laws that define the intent to sell or distribute illegal drugs will be maintained in the Campus Safety Office and a copy stored in the Student Affairs office. Wofford College will cooperate with all law enforcement agencies in the enforcement of such laws both on and off campus. Anyone who violates the drug policy is subject to Wofford College’s sanctions in addition to criminal sanctions. At the same time, Wofford College will assist students who voluntarily submit themselves to college officials for counseling and help with the misuse of alcohol or drugs, as long as the students are not involved in the sale or distribution of drugs to others.

Persons convicted of drug possession under state or federal law may be ineligible for federal student grants and loans for up to one year after the first conviction and five years after the second. The penalty for distributing drugs is loss of benefits for five years after the first, 10 years after the second and permanently after the third conviction.

For those students who are members of NCAA sanctioned teams, the names of students with positive results of illegal drug testing conducted by Wofford College or the NCAA must be referred to the dean of students for processing as a violation to this policy.

**Sanctions**

Students who fail to complete their sanctions will not be in good standing with Wofford College. A drug violation may result in the loss of financial aid or loss of the ability to register for classes or for campus housing. All money collected from sanctioned fines will be used to fund speakers, programs, services and supplies to address the challenge of alcohol or drug use and abuse.

**Possession of Illegal Drugs or Drug Paraphernalia: First Offense**

Students charged with a first offense possession of illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia will appear in an administrative hearing. Wofford College will notify the student’s parent(s) or guardian(s) of the pending charge and
the hearing date by letter, email, fax or telephone call. If the student pleads guilty or is found guilty, the following
sanctions will be imposed as well as others deemed appropriate.

1. **Education**: The student will be referred to Wofford College Wellness Center or an outside agency for the
   purposes of an individual assessment and treatment if indicated, with any associated costs or fees incurred by the
   student.

2. **Fine**: A $200 fine must be paid to Wofford College within 30 days of the date of the sanction.

   If the student pleads guilty to or is found guilty by the administrative hearing, the violation will be noted in the
   student’s record maintained in the Office of Student Affairs, and a letter will be sent to the parent(s) or guardian(s)
   notifying them of the findings and actions of the hearing. If the student fails to complete the sanctions, the Wofford
   College director of financial aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with Wofford College.

   **Second Offense**

   Students charged with a second offense possession of illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia will appear in an
   administrative hearing. Wofford College will notify the student’s parent(s) or guardian(s) of the pending charge and
   the hearing date by letter, email, fax or telephone call. If the student pleads guilty or is found guilty, the student will
   be suspended or expelled from Wofford College. The violation will be noted in the student’s record maintained in
   the Office of Student Affairs.

   A letter will be sent notifying the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the findings and actions of the hearing. The dean of
   students, the registrar, the director of financial aid and the director of residence life at Wofford College will be
   notified that the student has been suspended or expelled. In the event of suspension, the administrative hearing will
   confirm the length of the suspension and the dean of students will confirm any terms or conditions for readmission
   to Wofford College.

   **Possession with Intent to Sell or Distribute**

   Students charged with a possession with intent to sell or distribute illegal drugs as defined in local, state and federal
   laws will appear in an administrative hearing. Wofford College will notify the student’s parent(s) or guardian(s) of the
   pending charge and the hearing date by letter, email, fax or telephone call. If the student pleads guilty or is found guilty, the student will be expelled from Wofford College. The violation will be noted in the student’s record maintained in
   the Office of Student Affairs. A letter will be sent notifying the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the findings and actions of the hearing. The dean of students, the registrar, the director of financial aid and the director of residence life at Wofford College will be notified that the student has been expelled.

   **Federal Regulations on a Drug-Free Workplace**

   The Federal Drug Free Schools and Communities Acts Amendments of 1989 require all public and private
   institutions of higher education to develop, distribute and publicize a policy outlining the following:

   1. Standards of conduct and sanctions
   2. Health risks
   3. Information on assistance and counseling
   4. Educational programs
   5. Legal sanctions regarding alcohol and drug use

   The intention of the legislation is to address the problem of underage and irresponsible drinking and/or use of illicit
drugs on college campuses.

   **Health Risks of Alcohol and Drug Use and Abuse**

   **Alcohol**

   Alcoholic beverages, in the form of beer, wine, wine coolers or distilled spirits, require no digestion. They are
   absorbed directly into the bloodstream from the digestive tract. Within approximately three minutes after drinking,
alcohol may be found in the brain and all other tissues, organs and body fluids.

   Even low dosages of alcohol can significantly impair the judgment and coordination required to drive a car safely
   or perform other tasks in a safe manner. Moderate to high doses of alcohol cause marked impairments in higher
mental functions, severely altering a person’s ability to learn and remember information. Very high doses of alcohol may cause respiratory depression and death. If combined with other central nervous system depressants, such as some seizure medications, antihistamines and sleeping pills, lower doses of alcohol will produce the effects just described.

Long-term drinking of moderate to large quantities of alcohol can have significant effects on the body. The following are some of the serious physical consequences: heart disease and failure; liver disease, including hepatitis and cirrhosis; gastrointestinal disorders; cancer of the lungs, pancreas, esophagus, stomach and mouth; high blood pressure; and malnutrition. Heavier users may also experience periods of amnesia, called blackouts. During these periods, the person functions, but later cannot remember what he or she has done during this time.

Repeated use of alcohol and other drugs can lead to chemical dependency. When dependency has occurred, sudden withdrawal is likely to produce a variety of symptoms, including irritability, anxiety, insomnia, tremors, hallucinations, convulsions, etc. Severe alcohol withdrawal can be fatal.

**Marijuana (Hashish)**
The effects of marijuana use depend upon the percentage of delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) present, the method of ingestion and expectations of the user. Users may experience a reduction or impairment of short-term memory and comprehension, an altered sense of time, a rapid heart rate and a rising blood pressure. Heavy users may show slow and confused thinking, loss of energy, a lowered immune system, increased risk of lung cancer and discomfort caused by abdominal cramps and diarrhea. Other side effects of chronic use are chromosomal damage, decreased levels of the male sex hormone and brain damage. Marijuana is not known to be physically addictive, but individuals report continuous use leads to a reliance on the drug to deal with stress and discomfort. If marijuana or any other drug is used to avoid dealing with difficult situations, the problem has become severe.

**Cocaine**
The effects of cocaine use on the body include dilated pupils, constricted blood vessels and increases in blood pressure, heart rate, breathing and body temperature. When cocaine is snorted over a long period of time, the cumulative effect on blood vessels in the nose can cause the cells of its mucous membrane lining to die, resulting in ulceration of the tissue, difficulty of breathing and possible perforation of the septum (the wall dividing the two halves of the nose). Crack or freebase rock cocaine is extremely addictive and can cause delirium, hallucinations, blurred vision, severe chest pain, muscle spasms, convulsions and/or death.

**Hallucinogens**
Lysergic acid (LSD), mescaline and psilocybin cause illusions and hallucinations. Users may experience panic, confusion, suspicion, anxiety and loss of control. Delayed effects or flashbacks can occur even when use has ceased. Phencyclidine (PCP) affects the section of the brain that controls the intellect and keeps instincts in check. Because the drug blocks pain receptors, violent PCP episodes may result in self-inflicted injuries.

**Amphetamines**
Amphetamines can cause a rapid or irregular heartbeat, tremors, loss of coordination, collapse and death. Heavy users are prone to irrational acts. Most prescription medications to treat attention deficit disorder, such as Ritalin or Adderall, are amphetamines. Misuse or abuse of these medications may result in serious (possibly fatal) heart and blood pressure problems. Amphetamine-type medications can be habit-forming. With prolonged use, drug dependence may occur, and withdrawal symptoms may occur after stopping the drug.

**Heroin**
Heroin is an opiate drug that causes the body to have diminished pain reactions. The use of heroin can result in coma or death due to a reduction in heart rate.

**Further Information**
For additional information on these topics, contact the Wellness Center at 864-597-4370 and the South Carolina Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Drug Information Access Line (1-800-942-DIAL).
**Assistance, Education and Counseling for All Students: Assistance to Others**

Students are encouraged to look out for the health and safety of themselves and their peers. When a student’s health and/or safety is threatened or appears to be in jeopardy because of alcohol or drug use or abuse, immediate actions should be taken to prevent injury, illness or danger. The action might include calling a staff member in the Wellness Center, Campus Safety, Student Affairs or the Residence Life offices to receive assistance in handling the emergency. Whatever the particular need or problem, it is important to respond in a responsible and timely manner. There will be an automatic referral made for the student to see a staff member. Information obtained during the delivery of medical treatment will not be used to bring disciplinary action under the Alcohol Policy against that individual or individual(s) who assist the student in obtaining medical treatment, provided that the student has not violated any other (non-alcohol) college policy (such as hazing, injury to people and vandalism).

**Education**

Wofford College is committed to education and the sound development of mind, body and spirit. Therefore, a commitment to alcohol and drug education is a continuing priority for Wofford College. Educational programs will be organized and conducted throughout the year to promote continued awareness and to encourage an attitude of concern and caring for others. All money collected from sanctioned fines for alcohol and drug violations will be applied toward educational programming. Information on responsible use, effective party planning, indications of abuse or addiction, and resources for assistance are available through Wofford College Wellness Center. Examples of these programs include, but are not limited to:

1. Campus programming facilitated by members of the residence life staff
2. Wellness Class
3. Alcohol awareness programming as part of focus weeks
4. Community-wide educational programs
5. Training opportunities and workshops for officers and members of Greek letter organizations and other chartered organizations
6. Substance-free social events in collaboration with the director of student activities individual student organizations

**Counseling**

Wofford College is committed to providing students with confidential referrals for professional assistance in the event that they are needed. An awareness of the negative effects of alcohol consumption or drug use may assist a student to make safe and responsible choices about alcohol and drugs. A student may make an appointment for an assessment and/or counseling by contacting Wellness Center. Counseling services are available to Wofford students as part of the comprehensive fee on a time-limited basis. Long-term counseling, specialized services or outpatient/inpatient therapy are not covered by the comprehensive fees.