

# SELECTED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

## Wofford College Policy Statement on Beverage Alcohol and Drug Abuse

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### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

When we agreed to become members of the Wofford College community as students, faculty or staff, we joined a community of like-minded individuals who are devoted to learning and to the development of the whole person. We recognize that we come from families and communities of various backgrounds, moral concerns, and social norms. As members of the Wofford community, each one of us is responsible for our behavior, and for the well-being of others within our community, including our guest visitors to the community.

Part of being a responsible and caring member of the Wofford College community is to recognize that we are situated in a state and a community that has specific laws and ordinances prohibiting the sale, possession and consumption of alcohol and controlled substances. As responsible citizens, we will uphold these laws and assist local and state law enforcement agencies. These laws are in place because they serve an important role in protecting individuals and our community from the unwanted effects of the misuse of alcohol and other drugs.

In recognition of our affiliation with the United Methodist Church, members of the Wofford College community are encouraged to adhere to the social principles of the United Methodist Church that state: We affirm our long-standing support of abstinence from alcohol as a faithful witness to God's liberating and redeeming love for persons. We support abstinence from the use of any illegal drugs. Since the use of alcohol and illegal drugs is a major factor in crime, disease, death, and family dysfunction, we support educational programs encouraging abstinence from such use. (The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church, paragraph 66j)

Wofford College is a community in which adults are encouraged to make responsible decisions in their lives, including abstinence from or the careful use of alcohol. Our community does not condone members who make irresponsible choices including violating the laws of the State of South Carolina, ordinances of the City of Spartanburg, or policies of Wofford College.

The purpose of the alcohol and drug policy at Wofford College is to encourage mature and responsible behavior among all members for the betterment of the entire community. It recognizes that punishment without education on how to change behavior is hollow and does not have the best interest of the individual or community at heart. It also recognizes that certain behaviors, by their nature, tear the very trust that holds our community together. Thus, sanctions should be more severe for those of us who threaten our own health and safety or that of others and for those among us who consume and/or distribute illegal drugs. The College recognizes that some individuals who misuse alcohol and/or other drugs need assistance from professionals with more specialized training and greater resources than the College can provide; therefore, the policy makes provisions for the removal of individuals from our College community.

Wofford College is not merely a place on the map. Wofford is alive and vibrant. It embodies and reflects the lives of the individuals who compose our community. To add or subtract any one person changes the character of our communal experience. The life of this college is ours. Because of this interdependency on one another, illegal and/or irresponsible consumption of alcohol and drugs by one of our guests or affects us all. The following policies and provisions aim to keep at heart the best interest of both individual members and the Wofford Community at large.

## **WOFFORD COLLEGE POLICY REGARDING ALCOHOL AND DRUG USE AND SUMMARY OF SUPPORTING STATE AND CITY LAWS**

### **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 keg, pony keg, funnel, trashcan, or other similar device used for the rapid administration of a beverage or the storing or mixing a quantity of beverage, or from which a quantity of beverage is distributed to, or consumed by, more than one person;
3. Event: party, concert, or other social gathering attended by undergraduate students;
4. Public Area: all locations other than a student's private room or apartment or fraternity houses including, but not limited to, common rooms, hallways, restrooms, balconies, courtyards, area between Greek houses, benches, classrooms, athletic facilities, campus grounds and sidewalks;
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, transporting, carrying on the person, within immediate proximity of the person, or storage of alcohol, drugs, or drug paraphernalia.

### **GENERAL PROVISIONS REGARDING THE CONSUMPTION AND POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL WITH SUPPORTING STATE AND CITY LAWS:**

1. 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. A list of applicable local, state, and federal laws may be viewed in the office of Student Affairs.
2. There shall be no alcoholic beverages or empty alcohol containers in Marsh and Greene Halls or other residence areas designated by Student Affairs as dry even if student residents or guests are 21 years of age.
3. Aiding and abetting in the sale or transfer of alcoholic beverages to any person under the age of twenty-one years is prohibited.
4. 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.
5. Under no circumstances will college-appropriated funds be used for the purchase of beverage alcohol for student events.
6. The use of alcoholic beverages as a prize in a contest, drawing, lottery, etc. is prohibited.

### **Open and Common Container Laws:**

1. Students and guests 21 years or older, may possess and consume alcoholic beverages only in designated areas of the campus. These areas are limited to porches, decks, and the inside of fraternity houses, individual residence hall rooms (except in Marsh, Greene, and designated dry residence areas) and other areas officially designated by the college for special events.
2. Alcohol may not be consumed in public areas of Wofford College. The definition of public places includes, but is not limited to, any public access outdoor areas, the cafeteria, hallways, lobbies, stairwells, bathrooms, lounges, front yards of fraternity houses, the middle of fraternity row, study areas, or classrooms.
3. At no time are kegs or common containers of alcohol allowed on the campus.

## **VIOLATIONS OF THE GENERAL PROVISIONS OF ALCOHOL POLICY AND ASSOCIATED SANCTIONS**

Violations by individuals of the general provisions of the Alcohol Policy will be categorized in one of three ways as defined:

### **Category I:**

Violations of the General Provisions as stated above, including underage possession/consumption, aiding and abetting an underage person in the sale, purchase and/or possession of alcohol.

### **Category II**

Violations include, but are not limited to, the following actions of an individual while under the influence of alcohol:

- a. Causing harm to oneself, others, or college property;
- b. Engaging in physical violence or vandalism;
- c. Showing disrespect to an employee of the college;
- d. Possessing a keg or common container

### **Category III**

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

## **SANCTIONS**

Students who fail to complete their sanctions will not be in good standing with the college. **Conviction of multiple alcohol violations may result in the loss of financial aid or the ability to register for classes or 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.

### **Category I Violation:**

#### **First Offense:**

1. **Documentation:** The first Category I violation will be temporarily placed on a student's disciplinary record for internal purposes only. If a student is found guilty of a subsequent violation, both violations become part of the student's disciplinary record at that time. If there is no subsequent violation, the original violation will be expunged from the record upon the student's graduation or withdrawal from the college.
2. **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 Health Services Department.
4. **Fine:** A \$50.00 fine must be paid to the college within 30 days of the conviction of the violation
5. **Parental Notification:** A copy of the warning letter will be mailed to the student's parent(s) or guardian(s).

**If a student fails to complete the sanctions for a Category I violation, the Wofford College Director of Financial Aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with the College.**

#### **Second Offense:**

1. **Documentation:** If a student is convicted or pleads guilty to a second offense Category II violation, the first and second violations will be documented in the student's permanent record.
2. **Education:** The student will be referred to the Director of the Wofford College Health Services Department 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.
3. **Fine:** A \$100.00 fine must be paid to the college within 30 days of the date of the conviction.
4. **Community restitution:** The student will complete 15 hours of community restitution within 30 days of conviction. These hours will be completed under the direction of the Judicial Commission's Clerk of Court or a designee of the Dean of Students.
5. **Parental Notification:** If student pleads guilty to or is found guilty of a second Category I violation, a letter will be sent to the parent(s) or guardian(s) notifying them of the conviction.

**If the student fails to complete the sanctions for a second offense, Category I violation, the Wofford College Director of Financial Aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with the College.**

**Third Offense:**

1. **Pre-court notification:** A letter will be sent to the student's parent(s) or guardian(s) informing them of the charge and the court date.
2. **Hearing:** The student will appear in Administrative Court. If the student pleads guilty or is found guilty, the court will impose the following sanctions as well as others it deems appropriate.
3. **Documentation:** The third violation will be documented in the student's permanent record.
4. **Fine:** A \$200.00 fine must be paid to the college within 30 days of the conviction.
5. **Formal Warning:** The court shall notify the student in writing that he /she will be suspended if found guilty of a fourth alcohol violation.
6. **Parental Notification:** A letter will be sent notifying the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the court findings.

**If the student fails to complete the sanctions for a third offense, Category I violation, the Wofford College Director of Financial Aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with the College.**

**Fourth Offense:**

1. **Pre-court notification:** A letter will be sent to the student's parent(s) or guardian(s) informing them of the charge and the court date.
2. **Hearing:** The student will appear in Administrative Court. If the student pleads guilty or is found guilty, the student will be suspended or expelled from Wofford College.
3. **Documentation:** The fourth violation will be documented in student's permanent record.
4. **Parental Notification:** A letter will be sent notifying the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the court findings.

**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. The Administrative Court will confirm the length of the suspension. The Dean of Students will confirm any terms or conditions for readmission to the College.**

**Category II Violation:**

**First Offense:**

1. **Pre-hearing Notification:** A letter will be sent home to the student's parent(s) or guardian(s) informing them of the charge and the court date.
2. **Hearing:** The student will appear in Administrative Court. If the student is found guilty, the court will impose the following sanctions as well as others it deems appropriate.
3. **Documentation:** The Category II violation will be documented in the student's permanent record if the student is found guilty by the Administrative Court. A Category II violation will count as two violations of the alcohol policy.
4. **Education:** The student will be referred to Wofford College Health Services 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.
5. **Fine:** A \$300.00 fine must be paid to the college within 30 days of the conviction.
6. **Formal Warning:** The court shall notify the student in writing that he /she will be suspended or expelled if found guilty of a second violation.
7. **Parental Notification:** A letter will be sent to the parent(s) or guardian(s) notifying them of the court findings.

**If the student fails to complete the sanctions for a Category II violation, the Wofford College Director of Financial Aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with the College.**

### **Second Offense:**

1. **Pre-court notification:** A letter will be sent to the student's parent(s) or guardian(s) informing them of the charge and the court date.
2. **Hearing:** The student will appear in Administrative Court. If the student is found guilty, the student will be suspended or expelled from Wofford College.
3. **Documentation:** The violation will be documented in the student's permanent record.
4. **Parental Notification:** A letter will be sent notifying the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the court findings.

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## **Category III Violation**

### **First Offense:**

1. **Documentation:** A letter documenting the Category III violation will be sent to the student. It will count as a violation of the alcohol policy.
2. **Fine:** A \$200.00 fine must be paid to the college within 30 days of the conviction.
3. **Parental Notification:** If student pleads guilty to or is found guilty of a Category III violation, a letter will be sent to the parent(s) or guardian(s) notifying them of the conviction.

If the student fails to complete the sanctions for Category III violation, the Wofford College Director of Financial Aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with the College.

### **Second Offense:**

1. **Pre-hearing Notification:** A letter will be sent home to the student's parent(s) or guardian(s) informing them of the charge and the court date.
2. **Hearing:** The student will appear in Administrative Court. If the student is found guilty or pleads guilty, the court will impose sanctions that it deems appropriate.
3. **Documentation:** The second offense Category III violation will be documented in the student's permanent record if the student is found guilty by the Administrative Court. A Category III violation will count as a violation of the alcohol policy

**If the student fails to complete the sanctions for a second offense, Category III violation, the Wofford College Director of Financial Aid will be notified that the student is not in good standing with the College.**

## **WOFFORD COLLEGE PROVISIONS FOR THE POSSESSION AND CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL AT ORGANIZATIONAL AND COMMUNITY EVENTS**

Wofford College encourages social activities for students. The College wants students to have a good time at social gatherings on or off campus. Students are expected to act responsibly and to obey the college policies, and to follow local, state, and federal laws.

Wofford College faculty, staff, students, and organizations are expected to know the college alcohol policy. 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. To promote personal responsibility and self-governance, organizations and individuals that sponsor social events shall assume the responsibility of enforcing the following guidelines. 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.

1. The term social events includes but is not limited to, band parties, hall parties, mixers, formals, theme parties, or other activities featuring musical entertainment (i.e., step performances, disc jockies).
2. 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/](http://www.wofford.edu/studentlife/). These forms must be completed and returned to the Dean of Students or designee four (4) days prior to the event.
3. Organizational or individual sponsorship is defined as an event:
  - A. to which the organization or individual has invited students to attend by either verbal or written invitation;
  - B. to which the organization or individual is associated with or has leased or owns the place where the event is being held.
4. 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.
5. The college expects any group of students formally or informally organized to conform to the laws of South Carolina.
6. At every social event where alcohol is to be served, all attendees shall be required to have a valid picture identification card with their birth date listed. Wofford College students are additionally required to have their Wofford College student identification card.
7. Events sponsored by organizations or individuals are closed to all but members and their invited guests.
8. 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.
9. Organizational officers or individuals sponsoring the event are encouraged to assist in making arrangements for the safety of those who appear to be impaired.
10. 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.

## **ADDITIONAL RISK MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES**

The following requirements apply to organizations or individuals sponsoring events under the following circumstances: if the organization or individual leases rooms or other space from the college; if an organization or individual expects more than 100 students to attend the social event; if an organization or individual invites guests who are not Wofford College students, faculty or staff.

1. The 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 staff. Risk management training must be renewed each semester for social organizations.
2. The sponsoring organization or individuals shall designate at least two students to serve as monitors 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.
3. If a social event is to be held off campus, and it will be a BYOB, or third-party-vendor event, the sponsoring organization or individuals must provide transportation for all students and guests.
4. Monitors should supervise the amount of alcohol consumed by individual attendees of the social event.
5. Social events may not include any form of drinking contests in its activities or promotions. No alcoholic beverages may be awarded as prizes or incentives.
6. Organizations or sponsoring individuals may not distribute alcohol to attendees; this includes free alcoholic beverages, the use of common containers, or the distribution of alcohol that was brought to the event by another member or guest.
7. Organizations or sponsoring individuals are to provide nonsalty food items and nonalcoholic beverages.
8. Organizations or sponsoring individuals shall hire security personnel to maintain order and to enforce all applicable laws and policies.

Wofford College has a number of chartered organizations and recognizes that the officers and members of these organizations must adhere to additional risk management policies as set forth by their national governing bodies, insurance policies, and additional social requirements not covered by this policy. This policy compliments and does not replace these additional provisions.

## **SANCTIONS FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE PROVISIONS FOR THE USE OF ALCOHOL AT ORGANIZATIONAL AND COMMUNITY EVENTS**

The Administrative Court of Wofford College serves as the court of original jurisdiction for alleged violations of the College's alcohol and drug policies. Therefore, organizations or individuals sponsoring social events that have been charged with a violation of the regulations, as outlined above, shall designate a member to represent them in an Administrative Court hearing. If the organization or sponsoring individual is found in violation of the provisions of this policy, the Administrative Court can impose sanctions on the organization or individual including but not limited to:

- a. Formal Warning
- b. Monetary Fine
- c. Educational Seminar
- d. Community Restitution
- e. Loss of use of College facilities
- f. 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 Court hearing.

## **GENERAL PROVISIONS REGARDING THE POSSESSION AND DISTRIBUTION OF ILLEGAL DRUGS**

Possession, sale, or use of narcotic, mind-altering, other illicit drugs except for one's own prescription by a licensed physician is prohibited by the college, local ordinances, state and federal laws. Possession or use of prescription drugs prescribed to another individual is prohibited by the College. The resale of one's own prescription is prohibited by the College. Possession with the intent to sell or distribute illegal drugs will be determined in accordance with local, state, and federal laws. 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 the 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, ten years after the second, and permanently after the third conviction.

For those individuals who are members of our NCAA sanctioned teams, positive results of drug testing will be referred to 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 the college. **Conviction of 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:**

1. **Pre-court Notification:** A letter will be sent home to the parent(s) or guardian(s) informing them of the charge and the court date.
2. **Hearing:** The student will appear in Administrative Court. If the student is found guilty, the court will impose the following sanctions as well as others it deems appropriate.
3. **Documentation:** The conviction will be documented in the student's permanent record.
4. **Education:** The student will be referred to Wofford College Health Services 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.
3. **Fine:** A \$200.00 fine must be paid to the College within 30 days of the date of the conviction.
5. **Parental Notification:** A letter will be sent to parent(s) or guardian(s) notifying them of the of court findings.

**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 the College.**

#### **Second Offense:**

1. **Pre-court Notification:** A letter will be sent home to the parent(s) or guardian(s) informing them of the charge and the court date.
2. **Hearing:** The student will appear in Administrative Court. If the student is found guilty, the student will be suspended or expelled from Wofford College.
3. **Documentation:** The conviction will be documented in student's permanent record.
4. **Parental Notification:** A letter will be sent notifying the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the court findings.

**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. The Administrative Court will confirm the length of the suspension. The Dean of Students will confirm any terms or conditions for readmission to the College.**

## **Possession with Intent to Sell or Distribute:**

1. **Pre-court Notification:** A letter will be sent home to the parent(s) or guardian(s) informing them of the charge and the court date.
2. **Hearing:** The student will have an Administrative Court hearing. If the student is found guilty, the student will be expelled from Wofford College.
3. **Documentation:** The conviction will be documented in the student's permanent record.
4. **Parental Notification:** A letter will be sent notifying the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the court findings.

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## **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 and (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, sleeping pills, and the like., much 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, and so forth. 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 (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 even 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.

### **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 Health Services 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 not only to look out for their own health and safety, but also for that of 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 Health Services, 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 (nonalcohol) college policy (hazing, injury to people, vandalism, and so forth).

### **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 with 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 the educational programming. Information on responsible use, effective party planning, indications of abuse or addiction, and resources for assistance are available through Wofford College Health Services.

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 and other 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 and individual student organizations

**Counseling:**

Wofford 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 Health Services. Counseling services are available to Wofford students as part of the comprehensive fee on a time limited basis. The network is comprised of counselors in the local area who see Wofford students in their offices or on campus. Long-term counseling, specialized services, or outpatient/inpatient therapy are not covered by the comprehensive fees.