Policy Statement

In order to ensure that College students and employees are provided healthy education and work environments as well as to prevent exposure of students, employees, and visitors to the harmful effects of secondhand tobacco smoke, the use of all tobacco products are prohibited in College owned, occupied or leased buildings, and anywhere other than predetermined smoking areas. Employees, students and visitors will also be prohibited from smoking in any areas that are not clearly designated as smoking areas.

For purposes of this policy, “tobacco use” means the personal use of any tobacco and nicotine products other than the use of FDA approved nicotine delivery devices (cessation devises such as a patch or gum, whether intended to be lit or not, which shall include smoking as well as the use of an electronic cigarette or any other device intended to simulate smoking and the use of smokeless tobacco, including snuff; chewing tobacco; smokeless pouches; any other form of loose-leaf, smokeless tobacco; and the use of unlit cigarettes, cigars, and pipe tobacco.

In rare circumstances it may be necessary for the respective building or facility managers to establish an additional designated smoking area in a non-air conditioned outdoor, clearly marked area, it shall not be any area within 25 feet of exterior doors, operable windows and/or air intake vents of buildings. Smoking can be permitted in such an area only after, the respective facility manager has acquired the approval of his or her chain of supervision up through the President.

Employees, students and visitors located in buildings leased by the College shall be required to follow this policy unless such buildings provides for smoking areas on their premise, in which case such individuals may smoke as allowed assuming it complies with local and state law.

Employees, students and visitors are prohibited from using tobacco in any College-owned or leased vehicles and equipment.