

Smoking and Vaping Policy

Southwestern University supports the concept of a healthy working and learning atmosphere throughout the entire campus. In that regard, the University has established guidelines governing the use of tobacco and vaping on campus. This applies to all employees, students, and other persons while on the premises. The intention of these guidelines is to contribute to a safe and healthy working and learning environment while being responsive to and mindful of the rights and privileges of individuals.

This policy supports the City of Georgetown Smoking Ordinance as well as meeting LEED (Leadership in Environmental and Energy Design) requirements for our LEED certified buildings.

Smoking tobacco and vaping is prohibited in all buildings and within 25' of building entrances, operable windows or air intakes. This includes all residence halls and apartments, including the balconies and patios in the apartment complexes.

This is a self-enforced policy that requires the support and cooperation of all community members. When necessary, approach the smoker, communicate the policy and ask for cooperation. If this does not resolve the issue, report the matter to the proper University representative (e.g. Residence Life staff member, Campus Police, or the Department Head who supervises the employee).