

Drugs, Alcohol, and Tobacco Policy

Criswell College is a drug-free, alcohol-free, and tobacco-free campus. The use, possession, consumption, sale, manufacture, or delivery of illicit drugs and narcotics, including marijuana and drug paraphernalia, is prohibited by law and college regulation. The possession, use, and distribution of tobacco products, smoking paraphernalia (including but not limited to e-cigarettes and vaporizers), and alcoholic beverages are prohibited by college regulation and under-age drinking laws shall be enforced. Possession of any of these items can result in disciplinary action and possibly even criminal charges being filed. School-imposed sanctions are described in the Student Handbook. Any student or staff member who observes an individual in possession of any of the above-mentioned items on campus, in Criswell Housing, or at any Criswell-sponsored event should contact Campus Police immediately.

Various federal, state, and local regulations prohibit the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol. These sanctions may include probation, driver's license suspension, fines, and/or incarceration, and vary depending on the type of violation, the type and amount of the substance(s) involved, and the age of the persons involved (in the case of alcohol).

Local: Dallas City Code Chapter 6 – Alcoholic Beverages Chapter 13 – Courts, Fines and Imprisonments Chapter 31 – Offenses – Miscellaneous

State: Texas Penal Code Title 3, Chapter 12 – Punishments Title 10, Chapter 49 – Intoxication and Alcoholic Beverage Offenses Texas Health and Safety Code: Title 6, Subtitle C – Substance Abuse Regulation and Crimes

Federal: United States Code Title 18 – Crimes and Criminal Procedure Title 21 – Food and Drugs Title 27 – Intoxicating Liquors

Future revisions, amendments, or additions to these or other applicable codes are incorporated into this policy by this reference. Any student convicted under any federal or state law involving the possession or sale of illegal drugs during a period of enrollment will result in the loss of eligibility for any Title IV, HEA grant, or loan, as well as any Criswell Financial Aid. Applicable legal sanctions for the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol are available upon request from the Criswell College Police Department. The use of tobacco in any form constitutes a health threat to both users and bystanders. Criswell College maintains a smoke-free environment on all campus properties. The use or possession of any smoking paraphernalia (including but not limited to e-cigarettes and vaporizers) and/or tobacco products of all kinds is prohibited.

The Student Services Office offers referral services to rehabilitation programs or to long-term individual therapy sessions for drug and substance abuse if needed.