

# Drug Policy for On- and Off-Campus Students (Including Visitors)

Students are expected to respect the laws of the Government of Canada with respect to illicit drugs.

1. The illegal use of drugs, defined as “any substance whose use or possession is prohibited in Canada by virtue of any federal or provincial legislation including the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act and the Food and Drugs Act medications and pharmaceuticals”, are not permitted at StFX. There is a policy of zero tolerance for all use, possession and sale of illegal drugs on the StFX campus. All properties and grounds owned or leased by the University are covered by this policy.

2. Students of the university or visitors to campus are not to consume illegal drugs, medications, or pharmaceuticals. If the aforementioned students are found consuming, have consumed, or found with illegal drugs, medications and pharmaceuticals on their person, in their possession, in their residence room or locker, they are in violation of the Community Code.

3. Students of the university, or visitors to campus, may not provide or sell illegal drugs, medications, and pharmaceuticals.

Individuals in residence must also abide by the following:

a) If a residence staff member has good evidence that a residence student has recently been using illegal drugs, medications, or pharmaceuticals, whether on-or off campus, the staff member is required to document the incident and report it to the RLC. This may result in action being taken by the RLCs, RLM, or the Dean of Students.

b) All paraphernalia associated with illegal drug use is prohibited in residence. This refers to any equipment that is used to produce, conceal, and consume illicit drugs. It includes but is not limited to items such as bongos, hookahs, roach clips, miniature spoons, various types of pipes, and needles.

c) Each student is responsible, within reasonable boundaries, for what happens in his/her room, and is subject to the above penalties if illegal drugs are found or used in his/her room.

d) If drugs are used in any particular room in a residence, anyone found to have been in that room during that time will be subject to sanctioning under the Community Code. It is the student's responsibility to leave the room if someone starts to use drugs there. It is the responsibility for the tenant of the room to make a concerted effort to stop the use by the offender and report the situation immediately to a Residence Staff member.

e) If the visitor is an off-campus student or non-student, s/he will be reported directly to the Dean of Students. The Dean of Students will determine the penalty for this occurrence. The host will be subject to sanctions.

f) Although this policy is directed primarily towards the use of illegal drugs, medications, or pharmaceuticals in residence, any resident student who is found to be using drugs elsewhere, and returning to residence under the influence will be reported to the Dean of Students and RLM. The Dean of Students and the Residence Life Manager will then deal with this issue.

j) Anyone guilty of trafficking illegal drugs, medications, or pharmaceuticals shall be reported to the RCMP and subject to any and all penalties up to, and including, suspension or expulsion from the University. There will be no first warning.

k) Any infractions under this policy can result in discipline action from Residence Life Coordinators, Residence Life Manager, and Dean of Students.

Note: The entire University grounds and buildings are included in this policy.