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The general policies of Western New England University provide that the University campus and University activities are not a sanctuary from federal, state, and local laws. The policies of the University prohibit the unlawful use, possession, sale, distribution, or manufacture of controlled substances or alcohol on University property or as part of University activities.

Western New England University recognizes that alcoholism, drug addiction, and substance abuse may represent illnesses or conditions that require professional counseling, assistance, or treatment. Faculty, students, and staff with problems related to or stemming from alcohol or substance abuse or dependency are encouraged to utilize the services provided through the University or other sources of assistance. However, neither addiction nor abuse excuses any member of the campus community for violating the rights of others or for neglecting or performing inadequately academic or job-related responsibilities.

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The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is available to provide confidential counseling, assistance, and referral:

Employee Assistance Program
Longview Associates
504 Cottage Street
Springfield, MA 01104
413-785-4228 or 800-225-2527

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All Western New England University students may take advantage of the following resources:

Counseling Ser ices
St. Germain Campus Center–Room 249
413-782-1221
Offers counseling for students. Also offers an extensive list of referral sources.

Alco ol & rug E ucation Ser ices
St. Germain Campus Center–Room 249B
413-782-1360

Offers education, assessment, counseling, and consultation. Also offers an extensive list of referral sources.

Peer E ucation Networ
Health Services, CSP 235, 413-782-1211

The Peer Education Network is comprised of specially trained student volunteers whose primary purpose is to help students make more informed choices regarding alcohol and drug use.

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Alco olics Anonymous f our f otline
413-532-2111

Al-Anon & Alateen o reater Springfiel
413-782-3406
Support group for anyone affected by a problem drinker.

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1-800-662-HELP (4357)
A national toll-free “hotline” provides referral information for all areas of the country.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA)
413-747-0439, www.na.org (24 hour referral)

Nar-Anon
310-534-8188 or 800-477-6291
www.nar-anon.org
Support for people affected by a drug user.

Spiritual ife Coor inator
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413-782-1628

alcohol in any underage residence facility. Students who are 21 or older and who live in Evergreen Village, Gateway Village and Southwood Hall may socialize with alcohol, so long as it is done in a manner consistent with the terms of this policy."

Article esponsi le se "The University views responsible use as any activity or behavior that focuses on, and results in, the consumption of alcohol in moderation with an emphasis on the personal safety and welfare of others."

"Because consumption of alcohol frequently involves socializing with others, it is expected that social events be approved by, and registered with, the University. A social event is defined as follows: (A) Any socializing with alcohol that is part of an event hosted by a recognized club or organization, regardless of the number persons involved or location. (B) Any socializing at a student's place of residence that involves more than six guests when alcohol is being served."

Article Alco olic B e erages at ni ersity-Appro e Social E ents
"Requests for alcohol at University-approved events at any location other than the legal age residence areas must be received in the Student Activities and Leadership Development office at least four weeks in advance of the planned event. Any request for alcohol at a social event hosted by legal age residents at their place of residence must be made in advance; a minimum of one busi-

the Student Code of Conduct are subject to one or more of the following range of sanctions:"

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for use of controlled substances, or drugs, with penalties varying with the type of drug. In general, use of narcotic and addictive drugs, and drugs with high potential for abuse have heavier penalties.

Possession of drugs is illegal without valid authorization. While penalties for possession are generally not as great as for manufacture and distribution of drugs, possession of a relatively large quantity may be considered distribution. Under both state and federal laws, penalties for possession, manufacture, and distribution are much greater for second and subsequent convictions. Many laws dictate mandatory prison terms and the full minimum term must be served.

Massachusetts makes it illegal to be in a place where heroin is kept and to be "in the company" of a person known to possess heroin. Anyone in the presence of heroin at a private party or in a dormitory suite risks a serious drug conviction. Sale and possession of "drug paraphernalia" is illegal in Massachusetts. Under federal laws and some state laws, participation in drug-related criminal activity can result in seizure or forfeiture of personal property and other assets utilized in conjunction with or stemming from the proceeds of the illegal activity. In addition, conviction of a drug-related offense may entail civil fines and denial or revocation of certain licenses and benefits.

Persons convicted of drug possession under state or federal law are ineligible for federal student grants and loans or for participation in federally sponsored research grants or contracts for up to one year after the first conviction, and up to five years after the second; the penalty for distributing drugs is loss of benefits for five years after the first conviction, for 10 years after the second, permanently after the third.

Under federal law, distribution of drugs to persons under age 21 is punishable by twice the normal penalty, i.e., a mandatory one-year prison term; a third conviction is punishable by mandatory life imprisonment. These penalties apply to distribution of drugs in or within 1,000 ft. of a college or school. Federal law sets greatly increased prison sentences for manufacture and distribution of drugs if death or serious injury result from use of the substance.

A listing of some of the federal penalties for certain drug-related offenses, as summarized by the federal government, is printed for your information at the end of this statement.

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A person convicted in court of any of the previously mentioned offenses will automatically lose their driver's license for 180 days. This is true even if the altered or fake identification is not their driver's license. The license suspension is in addition to the court imposed penalty.

Ot er Penalties Massachusetts law calls for the following penalties upon conviction of a first offense for the following:

Providing alcohol to a minor: fine of not more than $2,000;
Purchasing or attempting to purchase: fine of $300;
Any person who transfers, alters, or defaces an identification card or license; makes, uses, carries, sells, or distributes false identification: fine of not more than $200 or imprisonment of not more than three months;
Any minor found transporting alcohol: fine of $50.

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