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Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program Disclosure PROVIDING AWARENESS AND SUPPORT



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Statement of Purpose

North American University (NAU) is dedicated to providing a safe, drug- and alcohol-free environment for students, employees, and visitors. The following Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program (DAAPP) will support North American University's commitment to promoting and maintaining an alcohol and drug free university.

The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989 (20 U.S.C. § 1011i, 34 C.F.R. Part 86), requires that all colleges adopt and implement a drug and alcohol abuse prevention program (DAAPP) to prevent the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by all students and employees on University premises or as part of any of its activities. The DAAPP must be and will be distributed annually to all studentsenrolled and all employees.

The DAAPP must include:

 Standards of conduct that clearly prohibit, at a minimum, the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students and employees on University propertyor as part of any of University activities;

- A description of the applicable legal sanctions under local, state, or federal law for the unlawful possession or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol;
- (3) A description of the health risks associated with the use of illicit drugs and the abuse of alcohol;
- (4) A description of any drug or alcohol counseling, treatment, or rehabilitation or re-entry programs that are available to employees or students; and
- (5) A clear statement that NAU will impose disciplinary sanctions on students and employees (consistent with local, state, and federal law), and a description of those sanctions, up to and including expulsion or termination of employment and referral for prosecution, for violations of the standards of conduct noted above.

This DAAPP is intended to comply with the requirements of the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989 and applies to all students and employees of the institution. Questions about this DAAPP should be directed to The Dean of Student Affairs at (832) 230-5154 or via email studentlife@na.edu.

Annual Notification

All enrolled students will be sent this policy each semester to ensure that all students enrolled for academic credit receive the DAAPP each year, as required.

Human Resources is responsible for ensuring distribution of this policy to all employees. Employees will be sent this policy via email in January of each year. Employees hired after the initial distribution of the DAAPP will be provided with this policy as part of the employee's new hire paperwork. Further, the Director of Human Resources also distributes this policy on a case-by-case basis as deemed necessary through the employee handbook. The Student Conduct Office is responsible for ensuring distribution of this policy to all enrolled students.

Standards of Conduct

NAU prohibits the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students and employees on its property or as part of any of its activities. Pertinent standards of conduct applicable to students and employees are presented in this section.

Policies Applicable to Students/Student Organizations

With respect to students and student organizations, the Student Handbook specifically prohibits the following:

Alcohol - Use, consumption, possession, furnishing, manufacturing, or distribution of alcoholic beverages (except as expressly permitted by University regulations),open containers, or public intoxication is prohibited. Alcoholic beverages may not, in any circumstance, be used by, possessed by, or distributed to any person under twenty-one (21) years of age." ¹

Drugs - Use, transmission, possession, or attempts to do any of these previous acts, or be under the influence of any controlled substance or dangerous drug as defined by law, abuse-able glue, aerosol paint, or any other volatile chemical substance for inhalation,performance-enhancing substance including steroids, any designer drug, or any intoxicant or mood-changing,mind-altering, or behavior-altering drug, is prohibited on University premises or off premises at a University-sponsored activity, function, or event. The transmittal, sale, or attempted sale of what is represented to be any of the before-listed substances shall also be prohibited under this policy.

Illegal Substances/Drugs - Use, possession, sale, manufacturing, or distribution of narcotics or other controlled substances except as expressly permitted by law. Any drugs and or paraphernalia found to be in the students' possession will be considered to be the student's possession whether or not he or she has purchased or furnished the items in question. Items confiscated will not be returned. Illegal substance use includes:

a. Illegal or improper use of prescription medicines including steroids. All prescription medicines must be kept in their original bottle and must have the prescription from the doctor noted on the bottle.

- b. Possession of drug paraphernalia, including but not limited to: water pipes, scales, needles, clips, rolling papers, bongs etc.; any device that may be associated with drug use, regardless of whether it is purchased or handmade, even as props for filming.
- c. Legal substances used in an improper manner (e.g. ingesting a cleaning chemical, inhaling other chemical substances for the purpose of intoxication)

Other prohibited conduct, as well as detailed procedures outlining the process by which the institution will determine student/organization responsibility for alleged violation of University regulations is outlined in the Student Handbook available at https://www.na.edu/documents/students/student-handbook.pdf

¹ As provided by Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.16(b)-(c), "Notwithstanding any other law, a minor may taste an alcoholic beverage if:

- 1. The minor is at least 18 years old and is enrolled:
 - a. As a student at a public institution of higher education that offers a program in culinary arts, viticulture, enology or wine technology, brewing or malt beverage technology, or distilled spirits production or technology; and
 - b. In a course that is part of the program;
- 2. The beverage is tasted for educational purposes as part of the curriculum for the course described by item 1b;
- 3. The beverage is not purchased by the minor; and
- 4. The service and tasting of the beverage is supervised by a faculty or staff member who is at least 21 years of age.

A public institution of higher education is not required to hold a license or permit to engage in the activities authorized under this section.

Policies Applicable to Employees

The University prohibits the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of controlled substances, illegal drugs, inhalants, and alcohol in the workplace (i.e., on University owned or controlled property and during all workplace-related activities).

Employees are subject to the ethical standards set forth in the North American University Employee Handbook. The rules of conduct indicate that the following alcohol and other drug offenses are prohibited and may result in immediate discharge:

- Conviction under a criminal drug statute or the illegal or unauthorized sale, purchase, transfer, use, or possession of alcohol or any dangerous controlled or illicit substance as defined by Texas law, on campus or at a Universitysponsored or -sanctioned activity;
- b. Illegal or unauthorized sale, purchase, transfer, use, or possession of alcohol or drugs (narcotics, hallucinogens, stimulants) on University premises or while on University business;
- c. Being under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs on the job or on University premises.

The University has the right to require an appropriate test if an employee is suspected of being under the influence of drugs or alcohol and;

d. Conviction of or pleading guilty to a felony or a drug-related offense.

The rules of conduct also note that any employee who is found guilty (including a plea of no contest) or has a sentence, fine, or other penalty (including deferred adjudication) imposed by a court of competent jurisdiction under criminal statute for an offense involving a controlled substance that occurred in or on premises or property owned or controlled by the University shall report such action to the associate general counsel within five days of the conviction.

Other notable policies that are applicable to employees include:

- I. Employee standards of conduct searches and alcohol/drug testing
- 2. Employee welfare
- 3. Employee Standards of Conduct Searches and Alcohol Drug Testing
- 4. Educational role, mission, purpose, and responsibility

Local, State and Federal Sanctions

Students and employees who violate the standards of conduct outlined in this DAAPP are subject to both institutional sanctions (as outlined in Section V) as well as legal sanctions provided under local, state and federal law. Pertinent criminal sanctions for unlawful possession or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol are outlined below.

Students and employees are cautioned that convictions for drug and alcohol violations may prevent individuals from entering many fields of employment and make them ineligible for federal grants and loans. For example, if a student is convicted of a drug-related felony or misdemeanor that took place while the student was receiving federal student aid, the student will become ineligible to receive further aid for a specified period of time upon conviction.

For more information about the impact of drug-related convictions on federal student aid, visit <u>https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/eligibility/</u>requirements/criminal-convictions#drug-convictions.

Additional information on this topic can be found at: <u>https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/sites/default/files/ondcp/recovery/fafsa.pdf.</u>

Local Sanctions

North American University is in Stafford, Texas. A review of the local ordinances of this city does not provide any greater or lesser sanctions as related to the possession, distribution, or manufacturing of drugs or alcohol related offenses. The city follows the State of Texas sanctions as set forth in the Texas Penal Code and Texas Alcohol Beverage Code.

State Sanctions

Students and employees may face a variety of legal sanctions under Texas law for the unlawful possession or distribution of alcohol or illicit drugs. Applicable Texas legal sanctions are summarized in the following table:

Offenses Under Texas Law	Uttense Punishments		
Type of Offense	Minimum	Maximum	
Manufacture or Delivery of Controlled Substances (drugs) Penalty Groups 1-4 Health & Safety Code Section 481.112-124	Jail term up to two years and a fine up to \$10,000	Imprisonment for life and a fine up to \$250,000	
Possession of Controlled Substances (drugs) Health & Safety Code (HSC) 481.115	Jail term not more than 180 days, a fine up to \$2,000, or both	Imprisonment for life and fine up to \$250,000	
Delivery of Marijuana Health & Safety Code (HSC) 481.121	Jail term not more than 180 days, a fine up to \$2,000, or both	Imprisonment for life and a fine up to \$100,000	
Possession of Marijuana Health & Safety Code (HSC) 481.121	Jail term not more than 180 days, a fine up to \$2,000, or both	Imprisonment for life and a fine up to \$50,000	

Offenses Under Texas Law	Offense Punishments		
Type of Offense	Minimum	Maximum	
Driving While Intoxicated (includes intoxication from alcohol, drugs, or both) Penal Code (PC) 49.04	Jail term up to two years and a fine up to \$10,000	Imprisonment for life and a fine up to \$250,000	
Public Intoxication Penal Code (PC) 49.02	A fine not to exceed \$500	Varies with age and number of offenses Varies with number of offenses	
Purchase of Alcohol by a Minor Alcohol Beverage Code (ABC) 106.02	A fine not to exceed \$500	At least eight hours of Community Service, 30 day license suspension	
Consumption or Possession of Alcohol by a Minor Alcohol Beverage Code (ABC) 106.5 Possession & Alcohol Beverage Code (ABC) 106.04 Consumption	A fine not to exceed \$500	Varies with number of offenses, At least eight hours of Community Service, 30 day license suspension, Mandatory Alcohol Awareness classes	
Purchase or Furnish Alcohol to a Minor Alcohol Beverage Code (ABC) 106.06	A fine not to exceed \$4,000 or confinement	If binge drinking involved:	
	in jail for not more than one year, or both	Driver's License Suspension for 180 days, 20-40 hours of Community Service, Alcohol Awareness Class	
Manufacture or delivery of controlled substances (drugs)	Jail term up to two years and a fine up to \$10,000	Imprisonment for life and a fine up to \$250,000	
Possession of controlled substances (drugs)	Jail term not more than 180 days, a fine up to \$2,000, or both	Imprisonment for life and fine up to \$250,000	
Delivery of marijuana	Jail term not more than 180 days, a fine up to \$2,000, or both	Imprisonment for life and a fine up to \$100,000	
Possession of marijuana	Jail term not more than 180 days, a fine up to \$2,000, or both	Imprisonment for life and a fine up to \$50,000	
Driving while intoxicated (includes intoxication from alcohol, drugs, or both)	License suspension of at least 60 days. Jail term not more than 180 days and a fine up to \$2000	Imprisonment up to 10 years and a fine up to \$10,000	
Public Intoxication	A fine not to exceed \$500	Varies with age and number of offenses	
Purchase of alcohol by a minor	A fine not to exceed \$500	Varies with number of offenses, At least eight hours of Community Service, 30 day license suspension	

Offenses Under Texas Law	Offense Punishments		
Type of Offense	Minimum	Maximum	
Consumption or possession of alcohol by a minor	A fine not to exceed \$500	Varies with number of offenses, At least eight hours of Community Service, 30 day license suspension, Mandatory Alcohol Awareness classes	
Providing alcohol to a minor	A fine not to exceed \$4,000 or confinement in jail for not more than one year, or both	If binge drinking involved: Driver's License Suspension for 180 days, 20-40 hours of Community Service Alcohol Awareness Class	

Note: Penalties may be enhanced for prior offenses and/or offenses within 1000 ft. of a public university. Enhancement means that whatever the level of the committed offense it can be increased by one category level based on the individual's criminal history. The age of the offender means that the offense can have different punishment levels based on the offender's age at the time of the offense. If under age 21 different punishment levels apply for public intoxication.

Consumption Related to Reported Sexual Assault

Per Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.04(f)-(h), .05(e)-(g), the offenses of possession of an alcoholic beverage and of consumption of an alcoholic beverage do not apply to a minor who reports the sexual assault of the minor or another person, or is the victim of a sexual assault reported by another person, to:

- I. A health-care provider treating the victim of the sexual assault;
- 2. An employee of a law enforcement agency, including an employee of a campus police department of an institution of higher education; or
- 3. The Title IX coordinator of an institution of higher education or another employee of the institution responsible for responding to reports of sexual assault.

A minor is entitled to raise the defense provided above in the prosecution of the offense of possession of an alcoholic beverage or the offense of consumption of an alcoholic beverage only if the minor is in violation at the time of the commission of a sexual assault that is reported by the minor as described above or committed against the minor and reported by another person as described above. A minor who commits a sexual assault that is reported as described above is not entitled to raise the defense in the prosecution of the minor for the offense of possession of an alcoholic beverage or the offense of consumption of an alcoholic beverage.

Additionally, students and employees are advised of the following notice mandated by Education Code 51.921:

Anabolic steroids and growth hormones are for medical use only. State law prohibits the possession, dispensing, delivery, or administering of an anabolic steroid or growth hormone in any manner not allowed by state law. State law provides that body building, muscle enhancement, or increasing muscle bulk or strength through the use of an anabolic steroid by a person who is in good health is not a valid medical purpose. Only a medical doctor may prescribe an anabolic steroid or human growth hormone for a person. A violation of state law concerning anabolic steroids or human growth hormones is a criminal offense punishable by confinement in jail or imprisonment in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Federal Sanctions

The federal Controlled Substances Act makes it unlawful for a person to knowingly or intentionally manufacture, distribute or dispense a controlled substance or counterfeit substance. It is also unlawful to possess with the intent to manufacture, distribute, or dispense a controlled substance or counterfeit substance.

The law also makes it unlawful for any person to knowingly or intentionally possess a controlled substance unless such substance was obtained directly, or pursuant to a valid prescription or order, from a practitioner, while acting in the course of his professional practice, or as otherwise permitted by law.

There are strict penalties for violating the Controlled Substances Act, including mandatory prison terms for many offenses. The following information, although not exhaustive, provides an overview of federal penalties for certain drug-related convictions related to the illegal possession or distribution of controlled substances.

Federal Penalties and Sanctions for Illegal Possession of a Controlled Substance

Sentencing Provisions

- Ist conviction: Up to I year imprisonment and fined at least \$1,000, or both. 21 U.S.C. 844(a)
- After I prior drug conviction: At least 15 days in prison, not to exceed 2 years and fined at least \$2,500, or both. 21 U.S.C. 844(a)
- After 2 or more prior drug convictions: At least 90 days in prison, not to exceed 3 years and fined at least \$5,000, or both. 21 U.S.C. 844(a)
- 21 U.S.C. 844a further provides a civil penalty of up to \$10,000 upon a defendant's first conviction of possession of small amounts of any controlled substances listed in 21 U.S.C. 841(b)(1)(A).

Forfeitures

- Forfeiture of personal and real property used to possess or to facilitate possession of a controlled substance if that offense is punishable by more than one year imprisonment. 21 U.S.C. 853(a) (2) and 881(a)(7)
- Forfeiture of vehicles, boats, aircraft or any other conveyance used to transport or conceal a controlled substance. 21 U.S.C. 881(a)(4)

Denial of Federal Benefits

 Denial of Federal benefits, such as student loans, grants, contracts, and professional and commercial licenses, up to one year for first offense, up to five years for second and subsequent offenses. 21 U.S.C. 862

Miscellaneous

 Ineligible to receive or purchase a firearm. 19 U.S.C. 922(g)

Federal Penalties and Sanctions for Illegal Possession of a Controlled Substance

The federal Controlled Substance Act also establishes federal penalties and sanctions for illegal trafficking of a controlled substance. A summary of this information is available online at: <u>https://www.dea.gov/sites/</u><u>default/files/2018-06/drug_of_abuse.pdf#page=30</u> and included as Appendix I. A separate summary of penalties and sanctions pertaining to Marijuana, also available online at the aforementioned link, is included as Appendix 2 to this DAAPP.

Of special note, 21 U.S.C. 860 provides that anyone convicted of distributing, possessing with intent to distribute, or manufacturing a controlled substance in or on, or within one thousand feet of, the real property comprising a public or private college, junior college, or College/University is subject to twice the maximum punishment authorized by 21 U.S.C. 841(b), pertinent parts of which are summarized in the tables included in the appendix 2.

International Students

Additional penalties and sanctions may apply for international students who are in the US on a visa. Pursuant to the Foreign Affairs Manual of the US Department of State (9 FAM 403.11-3(A)), a visa can be revoked when the international student "…is subject to a Watchlist Promote Hit for an arrest or conviction of driving under the influence, driving while intoxicated, or similar arrests/convictions (DUI) that occurred within the previous five years, pursuant to 9 FAM 403.11-5(B)(c)." DACA and undocumented students may experience dire consequences, such as revocation of DACA status or removal, for a violation of the law.



Health Risks

Health Risks Associated with Illicit Drug Use²

The Controlled Substances Act (CSA) places all substances which were in some manner regulated under existing federal law into one of five schedules. This placement is based upon the substance's medical use, potential for abuse, and safety or dependence liability. A description of each schedule is included below:

Schedule I

- The drug or other substance has a high potential for abuse.
- The drug or other substance has no currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States.
- There is a lack of accepted safety for use of the drug or other substance under medical supervision.
- Examples of Schedule I substances include heroin, gamma hydroxybutyric acid (GHB), lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD), marijuana, and methaqualone.

Other prohibited conduct, as well as detailed procedures outlining the process by which the institution will determine student/organization responsibility for alleged violations of University regulations is outlined in the Student Handbook, available at

https://www.na.edu/documents/students/student-handbook.pdf

² The information in this section is taken from the U.S. Department of Justice's 2017 publication "Drugs of Abuse." Students and employees are strongly encouraged to review this publication for more detailed information regarding the health risks associated with alcohol and illicit drug use and abuse. The full publication is available online at: hhttps:// www.dea.gov/press-releases/2020/04/14/deareleases-2020-drugs-abuse-resource-guide.

Schedule II

- The drug or other substance has a high potential for abuse.
- The drug or other substance has a currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States or a currently accepted medical use with severe restrictions.
- Abuse of the drug or other substance may lead to severe psychological or physical dependence.
- Examples of Schedule II substances include morphine, phencyclidine (PCP), cocaine, methadone, hydrocodone, fentanyl, and methamphetamine.

Schedule III

- The drug or other substance has less potential for abuse than the drugs or other substances in Schedules I and II.
- The drug or other substance has a currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States.
- Abuse of the drug or other substance may lead to moderate or low physical dependence or high psychological dependence.
- Anabolic steroids, codeine and hydrocodone products with aspirin or Tylenol®, and some barbiturates are examples of Schedule III substances.

Schedule IV

- The drug or other substance has a low potential for abuse relative to the drugs or other substances in Schedule III.
- The drug or other substance has a currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States.
- Abuse of the drug or other substance may lead to limited physical dependence or psychological dependence relative to the drugs or other substances in Schedule III.
- Examples of drugs included in Schedule IV are alprazolam, clonazepam, and diazepam.

Schedule V

- The drug or other substance has a low potential for abuse relative to the drugs or other substances in Schedule IV.
- The drug or other substance has a currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States.
- Abuse of the drug or other substances may lead to limited physical dependence or psychological dependence relative to the drugs or other substances in Schedule IV.
- Cough medicines with codeine are examples of Schedule V drugs.

The Controlled Substances Act (CSA) regulates five classes of drugs:

- Narcotics,
- Depressants,
- Stimulants,
- Hallucinogens and
- Anabolic steroids

Each class has distinguishing properties, and drugs within each class often produce similar effects. However, all controlled substances, regardless of class, share a number of common features. All controlled substances have abuse potential or are immediate precursors to substances with abuse potential. With the exception of anabolic steroids, controlled substances are abused to alter mood, thought, and feeling through their actions on the central nervous system (brain and spinal cord). Some of these drugs alleviate pain, anxiety, or depression. Some induce sleep and others energize. Though some controlled substances are therapeutically useful, the "feel good" effects of these drugs contribute to their abuse. The extent to which a substance is reliably capable of producing intensely pleasurable feelings (euphoria) increases the likelihood of that substance being abused.

The following chart summarizes each class's legal status, effects on the mind, effects on the body and effects of overdose



Narcotics/Opioids

Narcotics block the feeling of pain. This class of drugs includes the prescription drugs: hydrocodone (Vicodin®) oxycodone (OxyContin®, Percocet®), oxymorphone (Opana®), morphine (Kadian®, Avinza®), codeine, and fentanyl.

Legal Status in the United States

Narcotics/opioids are controlled substances that vary from Schedule I to Schedule V, depending on their medical usefulness, abuse potential, safety, and drug dependence profile. Schedule I narcotics, like heroin, have no medical use in the U.S. and are illegal to distribute, purchase, or use outside of medical research.

Effects on the Mind

Besides their medical use, narcotics/opioids produce a general sense of well-being by reducing tension, anxiety, and aggression. These effects are helpful in a therapeutic setting but contribute to the drugs' abuse. Narcotic/opioid use comes with a variety of unwanted effects, including drowsiness, inability to concentrate, and apathy. Use can create psychological dependence. Long after the physical need for the drug has passed, the addict may continue to think and talk about using drugs and feel overwhelmed coping with daily activities. Relapse is common if there are not changes to the physical environment or the behavioral motivators that prompted the abuse in the first place.

Effects on the Body

Narcotics/opioids are prescribed by doctors to treat pain, suppress cough, cure diarrhea, and put people to sleep. Effects depend heavily on the dose, how it's taken, and previous exposure to the drug. Negative effects include: Slowed physical activity, constriction of the pupils, flushing of the face and neck, constipation, nausea, vomiting, and slowed breathing.

As the dose is increased, both the pain relief and the harmful effects become more pronounced. Some of these preparations are so potent that a single dose can be lethal to an inexperienced user. However, except in cases of extreme intoxication, there is no loss of motor coordination or slurred speech.

Physical dependence is a consequence of chronic opioid use, and withdrawal takes place when drug use is discontinued. The intensity and character of the physical symptoms experienced during withdrawal are directly related to the particular drug used, the total daily dose, the interval between doses, the duration of use and the health and personality of the user.

The Effects of Overdose

Overdoses of narcotics are not uncommon and can be fatal. Physical signs of narcotics/opioid overdose include: Constricted (pinpoint) pupils, cold clammy skin, confusion, convulsions, extreme drowsiness, and slowed breathing.



Stimulants

Stimulants speed up the body's systems. This class of drugs includes: Prescription drugs such as ampheta.

Legal Status in the United States

A number of stimulants have no medical use in the United States but have a high potential for abuse. These stimulants are controlled in Schedule I. Some prescription stimulants are not controlled, and some stimulants like tobacco and caffeine don't require a prescription — though society's recognition of their adverse effects has resulted in a proliferation of caffeine-free products and efforts to discourage cigarette smoking.

Stimulant chemicals in over-the-counter products, such as ephedrine and pseudo-ephedrine can be found in allergy and cold medicine. As required by The Combat Methamphetamine Epidemic Act of 2005, a retail outlet must store these products out of reach of customers, either behind the counter or in a locked cabinet. Regulated sellers are required to maintain a written or electronic form of a logbook to record sales of these products. In order to purchase these products, customers must now show a photo identification issued by a state or federal government. They are also required to write or enter into the logbook: their name, signature, address, date, and time of sale. In addition to the above, there are daily and monthly sales limits set for customers.

Effects on the Mind

When used as drugs of abuse and not under a doctor's supervision, stimulants are frequently taken to: Produce a sense of exhilaration, enhance self-esteem, improve mental and physical performance, increase activity, reduce appetite, extend wakefulness for pro longed period, and "get high".

Chronic, high-dose use is frequently associated with agitation, hostility, panic, aggression, and suicidal or homicidal tendencies. Paranoia, sometimes accompanied by both auditory and visual hallucinations, may also occur.

Tolerance, in which more and more drug is needed to produce the usual effects, can develop rapidly, and psychological dependence occurs. In fact, the strongest psychological dependence observed occurs with the more potent stimulants, such as amphetamine, methylphenidate, methamphetamine, cocaine and methcathinone. Abrupt cessation is commonly followed by depression, anxiety, drug craving, and extreme fatigue, known as a "crash."

Effects on the Body

Stimulants are sometimes referred to as uppers and reverse the effects of fatigue on both mental and physical tasks. Therapeutic levels of stimulants can produce exhilaration, extended wakefulness, and loss of appetite. These effects are greatly intensified when large doses of stimulants are taken.

Taking too large a dose at one time or taking large doses over an extended period of time may cause such physical side effects as: Dizziness, tremors, headache, flushed skin, chest pain with palpitations, excessive sweating, vomiting, and abdominal cramps.

The Effects of Overdose

In overdose, unless there is medical intervention, high fever, convulsions, and cardiovascular collapse may precede death. Because accidental death is partially due to the effects of stimulants on the body's cardiovascular and temperature-regulating systems, physical exertion increases the hazards of stimulant use.



Depressants

Depressants will put you to sleep, relieve anxiety and muscle spasms, and prevent seizures. Barbiturates are older drugs and include butalbital (Fiorina®), phenobarbital, Pentothal®, Seconal® and Nembutal®. You can rapidly develop dependence on and tolerance to barbiturates, meaning you need more and more of them to feel and function normally. This makes them unsafe, increasing the likelihood of coma or death. Benzodiazepines were developed to replace barbiturates, though they still share many of the undesirable side effects. Some examples are Valium[®], Xanax[®], Halcion[®], Ativan[®], Klonopin[®] and Restoril[®]. Rohypnol[®] is a benzodiazepine that is not manufactured or legally marketed in the United States, but it is used illegally. Ambien® and Sonata® are sedative-hypnotic medications approved for the short-term treatment of insomnia that share many of the properties of benzodiazepines. Other CNS depressants include meprobamate, methaqualone (Quaalude®), and the illicit drug GHB.

Legal Status in the United States

Most depressants are controlled substances that range from Schedule I to Schedule IV under the Controlled Substances Act, depending on their risk for abuse and whether they currently have an accepted medical use. Many of the depressants have FDA-approved medical uses. Rohypnol® is not manufactured or legally marketed in the United States.

Effects on the Mind

Depressants used therapeutically do what they are prescribed for: to put you to sleep, relieve anxiety and muscle spasms, and prevent seizures They also: Cause amnesia, leaving no memory of events that occur while under the influence, reduce your reaction time, impair mental functioning and judgment, and cause confusion. Long-term use of depressants produces psychological dependence and tolerance.

Effects on the Body

Some depressants can relax the muscles. Unwanted physical effects include: Slurred speech, loss of motor coordination, weakness, headache, lightheadedness, blurred vision, dizziness, nausea, vomiting, low blood pressure, and slowed breathing.

Prolonged use of depressants can lead to physical dependence even at doses recommended for medical treatment. Unlike barbiturates, large doses of benzodiazepines are rarely fatal unless combined with other drugs or alcohol. But unlike the withdrawal syndrome seen with most other drugs of abuse, withdrawal from depressants can be life threatening.

The Effects of Overdose

High doses of depressants or use of them with alcohol or other drugs can slow heart rate and breathing enough to cause death.



Hallucinogens

Hallucinogens are found in plants and fungi or are synthetically produced and are among the oldest known group of drugs used for their ability to alter human perception and mood.

Hallucinogens include:

- Ecstasy/MDMA
- K2 /Spice
- Ketamine
- LSD
- Peyote & Mescaline
- Psilocybin
- Marijuana/Cannabis (addressed as its own class in this table)

Legal Status in the United States

Many hallucinogens are Schedule I under the Controlled Substances Act, meaning that they have a high potential for abuse, no currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States, and a lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision.

Effects on the Mind

Sensory effects include perceptual distortions that vary with dose, setting, and mood. Psychic effects include distortions of thought associated with time and space. Time may appear to stand still, and forms and colors seem to change and take on new significance. Weeks or even months after some hallucinogens have been taken, the user may experience flashbacks fragmentary recurrences of certain aspects of the drug experience in the absence of actually taking the drug. The occurrence of a flashback is unpredictable but is more likely to occur during times of stress and seems to occur more frequently in younger individuals. With time, these episodes diminish and become less intense.

Effects on the Body

Physiological effects include elevated heart rate, increased blood pressure, and dilated pupils.

The Effects of Overdose

Deaths exclusively from acute overdose of LSD, magic mushrooms, and mescaline are extremely rare. Deaths generally occur due to suicide, accidents, and dangerous behavior, or due to the person inadvertently eating poisonous plant material. A severe overdose of PCP and ketamine can result in: respiratory depression, coma, convulsions, seizures, and death due to respiratory arrest.



Marijuana/ Cannabis

Marijuana is classified in the Controlled Substances Act as a hallucinogen. Marijuana is a mind-altering (psychoactive) drug, produced by the Cannabis sativa plant. Marijuana contains over 480 constituents. THC (delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol) is believed to be the main ingredient that produces the psychoactive effect.

Legal Status in the United States

Marijuana is a Schedule I substance under the Controlled Substances Act, meaning that it has a high potential for abuse, no currently accepted medical use in treatment in the United States, and a lack of accepted safety for use under medical supervision.

Marinol, a synthetic version of THC, the active ingredient found in the marijuana plant, can be prescribed for the control of nausea and vomiting caused by chemotherapeutic agents used in the treatment of cancer and to stimulate appetite in AIDS patients. Marinol is a Schedule III substance under the Controlled Substances Act.

Effects on the Mind

When marijuana is smoked, the THC passes from the lungs and into the bloodstream, which carries the chemical to the organs throughout the body, including the brain. In the brain, the THC connects to specific sites called cannabinoid receptors on nerve cells and influences the activity of those cell Many of these receptors are found in the parts of the brain that influence: Pleasure, memory, thought, concentration, sensory and time perception, and coordinated movement. The short-term effects of marijuana include: Problems with memory and learning, distorted perception, difficulty in thinking and problem-solving, and loss of coordination. The effect of marijuana on perception and coordination are responsible for serious impairments in learning, associative processes, and psychomotor behavior (driving abilities). Long term, regular use can lead to physical dependence and withdrawal following discontinuation, as well as psychic addiction or dependence. Clinical studies show that the physiological, psychological, and behavioral effects of marijuana vary among individuals and present a list of common responses to cannabinoids, as described in the scientific literature:

- Dizziness, nausea, tachycardia, facial flushing, dry mouth and tremor initially
- Merriment, happiness, and even exhilaration at high doses

- Disinhibition, relaxation, increased sociability, and talkativeness
- Enhanced sensory perception, giving rise to increased appreciation of music, art, and touch
- Heightened imagination leading to a subjective sense of increased creativity
- Time distortions
- Illusions, delusions, and hallucinations are rare except at high doses
- Impaired judgment, reduced coordination, and ataxia, which can impede driving ability or lead to an increase in risk-taking behavior
- Emotional lability, incongruity of affect, dysphoria, disorganized thinking, inability to converse logically, agitation, paranoia, confusion, restlessness, anxiety, drowsiness, and panic attacks may occur, especially in inexperienced users or in those who have taken a large dose
- Increased appetite and short-term memory impairment are common
- Researchers have also found an association between marijuana use and an increased risk of depression, an increased risk and earlier onset of schizophrenia, and other psychotic disorders, especially for teens that have a genetic predisposition.

Effects on the Body

Short-term physical effects from marijuana use may include: Sedation, blood shot eyes, increased heart rate, coughing from lung irritation, increased appetite, and decreased blood pressure Like tobacco smokers, marijuana smokers experience serious health problems such as bronchitis, emphysema, and bronchial asthma. Extended use may cause suppression of the immune system. Because marijuana contains toxins and carcinogens, marijuana smokers increase their risk of cancer of the head, neck, lungs, and respiratory tract. Withdrawal from chronic use of high doses of marijuana causes physical signs including headache, shakiness, sweating, and stomach pains and nausea. Withdrawal symptoms also include behavioral signs such as: Restlessness, irritability, sleep difficulties, and decreased appetite.

The Effects of Overdose

No death from overdose of marijuana has been reported.

Steroids

Anabolic steroids are synthetically produced variants of the naturally occurring male hormone testosterone that are abused in an attempt to promote muscle growth, enhance athletic or other physical performance, and improve physical appearance. Testosterone, nandrolone, stanozolol, methandienone, and boldenone are some of the most frequently abused anabolic steroids.

Legal Status in the United States

Anabolic steroids are Schedule III substances under the Controlled Substances Act. Only a small number of anabolic steroids are approved for either human or veterinary use. Steroids may be prescribed by a licensed physician for the treatment of testosterone deficiency, delayed puberty, low red blood cell count, breast cancer, and tissue wasting resulting from AIDS.

Effects on the Mind

Case studies and scientific research indicate that high doses of anabolic steroids may cause mood and behavioral effects. In some individuals, steroid use can cause dramatic mood swings, increased feelings of hostility, impaired judgment, and increased levels of aggression (often referred to as "roid rage") When users stop taking steroids, they may experience depression that may be severe enough to lead one to commit suicide. Anabolic steroid use may also cause psychological dependence and addiction.

Effects on the Body

A wide range of adverse effects is associated with the use or abuse of anabolic steroids. These effects depend on several factors including: Age, sex, the anabolic steroid used, amount used, and duration of use.

In adolescents, anabolic steroid use can stunt the ultimate height that an individual achieves.

In boys, steroid use can cause early sexual development, acne, and stunted growth.

In adolescent girls and women, anabolic steroid use can induce permanent physical changes, such as deepening of the voice, increased facial and body hair growth, menstrual irregularities, male pattern baldness, and lengthening of the clitoris. In men, anabolic steroid use can cause shrinkage of the testicles, reduced sperm count, enlargement of the male breast tissue, sterility, and an increased risk of prostate cancer.

In both men and women, anabolic steroid use can cause high cholesterol levels, which may increase the risk of coronary artery disease, strokes, and heart attacks. Anabolic steroid use can also cause acne and fluid retention. Oral preparations of anabolic steroids, in particular, can damage the liver.

Abusers who inject steroids run the risk of contracting various infections due to non-sterile injection techniques, sharing of contaminated needles, and the use of steroid preparations manufactured in nonsterile environments. All these factors put users at risk for contracting viral infections such as HIV/ AIDS or hepatitis B or C, and bacterial infections at the sight of injection. Abusers may also develop endocarditis, a bacterial infection that causes a potentially fatal inflammation of the heart lining.

The Effects of Overdose

Anabolic steroids are not associated with overdoses. The adverse effects a user would experience develop from the use of steroids over time.



Health Risks Associated with Alcohol Abuse

The consequences associated with alcohol abuse among college students are far reaching. According to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, "Students who engage in risky drinking may experience blackouts (i.e., memory loss during periods of heavy drinking); fatal and nonfatal injuries, including falls, drownings, and automobile crashes; illnesses; missed classes; unprotected sex that could lead to a sexually transmitted disease or an unwanted pregnancy; falling grades and academic failure; an arrest record; accidental death; and death by suicide. In addition, students who drink to excess may miss opportunities to participate in the social, athletic, and cultural activities that are part of college life." ³

The risks are not just limited to students. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention identifies the following short-term and long-term health risks related to alcohol use and abuse: ⁴

Short-Term Health Risks

Excessive alcohol use has immediate effects that increase the risk of many harmful health conditions. These are most often the result of binge drinking and include the following:

- Injuries, such as motor vehicle crashes, falls, drownings, and burns.
- Violence, including homicide, suicide, sexual assault, and intimate partner violence.
- Alcohol poisoning, a medical emergency that results from high blood alcohol levels.
- Risky sexual behaviors, including unprotected sex or sex with multiple partners. These behaviors can result in unintended pregnancy or sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV.
- Miscarriage and stillbirth or fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASDs) among pregnant women.

Long-Term Health Risks

Over time, excessive alcohol use can lead to the development of chronic diseases and other serious problems including:

- High blood pressure, heart disease, stroke, liver disease, and digestive problems.
- Cancer of the breast, mouth, throat, esophagus, liver, and colon.
- Learning and memory problems, including dementia and poor school performance.

- Mental health problems, including depression and anxiety.
- Social problems, including lost productivity, family problems, and unemployment.
- Alcohol dependence, or alcoholism.

Educational Consequences of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse

There are numerous educational consequences associated with alcohol and other drug abuse. About 25 percent of college students report academic consequences of their drinking, including missing class, falling behind, doing poorly on exams or papers, and receiving lower grades.⁵ A post-college study found binge drinking in college to be associated with academic attrition, early departure from college, and lower earnings in post-college employment.⁶ Additionally, a study found that college students who used marijuana were more likely to put themselves in physical danger when under the influence, experience concentration problems, and miss class.⁷

"Substance misuse among college students has frequent and severe negative consequences. These consequences include violent and sometimes fatal effects. Much of the research on the consequences of college student substance misuse focuses on alcohol. A 2009 estimate of annual immediate physical harm as a result of alcohol use among college students aged 18 to 24 included 1,825 deaths, 599,000 unintentional injuries, and 696,000 students assaulted by another student who has been drinking. While most injury and death among college students is unintentional, some students consider taking their own lives and some of them attempt it. Studies show a strong connection between suicidal behavior and substance use in both the college and general populations. Substance use also can damage students' health. Consequences of excessive drinking include sleep issues and depression. Substance use among college students also often progresses to the level of a disorder. In, 2015 one in seven full-time college students aged 18 to 22 (14.6) percent) met the criteria for past-year had a substance use disorder. Substance use disorders cause significant impairment, such as health problems, disability, and failure to meet major responsibilities at work, school, or home.

Alcohol use also plays a large role in sex-related harm among college students. College students are more likely to engage in unprotected sex when drunk or high and are more likely to engage in sexual activity with someone they just met. In a study of undergraduates, 42 percent reported engaging in unplanned sexual activity in the past year as a result of their alcohol use.

Each year, an estimated 97,000 college students are victims of alcohol-related sexual assault that includes rape as well as forced touching or kissing. Sexual assault often is linked to substance use by victims as well as by perpetrators. Students who misuse alcohol or use illicit drugs are also more likely than students who abstain to have difficulty meeting academic responsibilities. Consequences of college substance use include falling behind in studies, getting poor grades, and dropping out. More broadly, the impact of substance misuse on students' academic performance undermines the very purpose of higher education and the financial sacrifices families make for it. College substance use may bring disciplinary penalties imposed by schools. In addition to non-punitive actions such as substance misuse education, counseling, and treatment, students may be subject to disciplinary action, including suspension and expulsion from the college. Such actions may be based on substance use or on other violations of university standards, such as damaging property and causing or threatening physical harm. Moreover, substance use often has legal consequences. Students may be arrested for alcohol and drug violations, fighting, and damaging property. Finally, substance-using college students often diminish the quality of campus life for other students, many of whom report having study and sleep time interrupted and having personal property damaged and destroyed because of intoxicated students." 8

³ Taken from: <u>http://www.collegedrinkingprevention.gov/</u> <u>niaaacollegematerials/panel01/highrisk_04.aspx</u>

⁴ These health risks have been reproduced verbatim from the CDC's "Fact Sheets-Alcohol Use and Your Health" which is available here: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/alcohol/fact-sheets/alcohol-use.htm</u>

⁵ National Institutes of Health, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. (2010).

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⁸ Taken verbatim from <u>https://store.samhsa.gov/product/</u> <u>Behavioral-Health-Among-College-Students-Information-and-</u> <u>Resource-Kit/SMA19-5052</u>. Internal citations omitted.



Alcohol and Other Drug Resources

Students

On-Campus Counseling and Health Services Here Related to Alcohol and Other Drugs

North American University campus employs counselors and mental health professionals to provide confidential short-term assistance for current students experiencing personal concerns, career decisions, and issues which may be interfering with academic success including anxiety, depression, and substance abuse. For our military veterans, we also have a group of dedicated counselors to help provide guidance. Referral to community resources is often part of the counseling process if assistance is needed after NAU counseling sessions.



Employees

Confidential drug and alcohol assistance for full-time employees is available through MyEvive (me), NAU's employee assistance program (EAP) provider. EAP is a work-based intervention program that helps resolve personal problems that may be affecting onthe-job performance. This is a confidential service available at no cost to full-time employees and their families, including dependents, under age 25, and any household member, regardless of age or relationship, residing in the employee's home.

Services provided by EAP include short-term counseling and legal and financial consultation. There are unlimited call-in and referrals to community resources to help employees with life situations that could be potentially disturbing balance and well-being.

In areas of short-term counseling, services include:

- A set amount of session per year per employee and each family member
- Marital, family, drug and alcohol abuse-related problems
- Legal and financial problems
- Stress and emotional problems
- Supervisory referrals for workplace concerns.

In areas of referrals, services include childcare, eldercare, prenatal care, adoption, parenting and children with special needs.

In areas of legality, services include consultation with licensed attorneys, certified public accountants, senior financial advisors, and online law library.

Also note if employees are laid-off or terminated, they and can continue to use EAP benefits up to six months after the day of termination.

Students and Employees

Students and employees are encouraged to access the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Treatment Locator, a confidential and anonymous source of information for persons seeking treatment facilities in the United States or U.S. Territories for substance abuse/addiction and/ or mental health problems. To access this resource, visit <u>https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/locator/home</u>. Students and employees seeking information regarding Self-Help, Peer Support, and Consumer Groups related to addiction (such as Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, Marijuana Anonymous, and others) are encouraged to visit <u>https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov/</u>.

Students and employees can also contact the NAU Behavioral Intervention Team, which is designed to support students who may be experiencing mental hardships, or Student Counseling Services at 832-230-5019.

Additionally, community-based and campus-specific resources are listed on next page.



On Campus Resources

University Campus Security	First Floor Campus Lobby	832-230-5550
Student Counseling	Campus Building Room 836	832-230-5121
Human Resources	Campus Building Room 909	832-230-5553
Student Life Office	Campus Building Room 845	832-230-5019
International Student Office	Campus Building Room 844	832-230-5186
	https://www.na.edu/admissions/	
Scholarship Services	undergraduate/scholarships/	832-230-5120
Student Financial Aid	https://www.na.edu/financial-aid/	832-230-5557

Off Campus Resources

Meadows Place Police		
Department	1 Troyan Dr., Meadows Place	281-983-2900
Fort Bend County Sheriff's		
Office	16715 Clay Rd. #1, Houston	713-221-6000
Stafford Police Department	2602 S. Main St., Stafford	281-261-3950
Memorial Hermann		
Southwest Hospital	7600 Beechnut St., Houston	713-456-5000
National Domestic Violence		
Hotline	SMS: Text START to 88788	800-799-7233
Family Support Services	Sugar Land	281-240-8255

Disciplinary Sanctions

The University will impose sanctions on students and employees for violations of the standards of conduct included in Section I (consistent with local, state, and federal law). As noted below, such sanctions may include, but are not limited to, expulsion (for students), termination of employment (for employees), and/or referral for prosecution.

Student Sanctions

The following disciplinary sanctions may be imposed upon any accused student or recognized student organization found to have violated University policy or engaged in misconduct, includingmisconduct pertaining to alcohol or other drugs. All disciplinary sanctions are cumulative, and the previous conduct history of the student or recognized student organization shall be considered when issuing a disciplinary sanction. Disciplinary sanctions are also subject to enhancement based on the severity of the behavior and the impact on the University community. More than one disciplinary sanction can be imposed for any single violation.

- 1. **Reprimand** A written notice given to a student or recognized student organization explaining that the student or recognized student organization has engaged in misconduct or violated College District policy or institutional regulations. Repeated incidents of misconduct or violations of University policy or institutional regulations can result in more severe disciplinary action.
- 2. **Restitution** Reimbursement for damage to, or misuse of property. Reimbursement may take the form of appropriate service to repair or otherwise compensate for damage.
- 3. **Probation** A written reprimand for violation of specified regulations. Probation is for a designated period of time and includes the probability of more severe disciplinary sanctions including suspension or expulsion, if the student or recognized student organization is found to have engaged in additional violations during the probationary period.
- 4. **Disciplinary Suspension** Forced withdrawal from the University for either a definite period of time or until stated conditions have been

met. Normally, suspension shall extend through a minimum of one regular long semester (with summer sessions not counting in the one-semester minimum time lapse). However, suspension may exceed the one-semester minimum.

5. **Deferred Suspension** - Establishes a fixed period of time, allowing the student or recognized student organization to complete the current academic term or semester. While the student is allowed to remain enrolled, a recognized student organization is not permitted to represent the University or participate in any extracurricular activities. The specifics of the Deferred Suspension shall vary based upon the violation and circumstances for each student or recognized student organization. Restrictions on the student or recognized student organization shall include limiting participation in activities to those directlyrelated to academic pursuits or the completion

of academic requirements. This includes entering University buildings or attending University events. The University shall have the authority to impose additional conditions, restrictions or sanctions during a deferred suspension.

- 6. **Disciplinary Expulsion** Permanent separation of the student or recognized student organization from the University.
- 7. Loss of Privileges Denial of specified privileges for a designated period of time.
- 8. Administrative Withdrawal Removal from an academic or non-credit bearing course as a result of disruptive or insubordinate behavior.
- 9. Educational Disciplinary Sanctions Work assignments, essays, service to the University or other related discretionary assignments. At his or her discretion, the campus president or vice president for Student Development Services shall have the authority to require that a student or recognized student organization complete additional educational assignments such as essays or research papers or perform services for the University.

- 10. Revocation of Admission and/or Degree/Certificate - The University shall have the authority to revoke a student's admission or a degree or certificate for fraud, misrepresentation, violation of degree or certificate standards or other serious violations of conduct.
- II. Withholding Degree/Certificate -

The College shall have the authority to withhold the awarding of a degree or certificate from a student who has otherwise earned the degree or certificate until the student has completed or satisfied all imposed disciplinary sanctions.

- No Trespass Order/CTW A student or recognized student organization suspended or expelled from the University shall be issued a notrespass order for the duration of the assigned sanction. Exceptions shall be made for suspensions, as noted above at items 5 and 6.
- 13. No Communication/Contact Order -The University shall have the authority to prohibit a student or recognized student organization from engaging in personal contact and all forms of communication with other members of the University community. This sanction shall be imposed primarily when such contact has the potential to lead to harassment, threats or other forms of unwanted interaction, or the University believes there is a reasonable likelihood of additional conduct violations by the student or recognized student organization.
- 14. Withhold Official Records The University shall have the authority to block registrationor withhold transcripts, grades, diplomas or other official records if the action is reasonably necessary to preserve the University's ability to enforce disciplinary rules.

Employee Sanctions

The University prohibits the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of controlled substances, illegal drugs, inhalants, and alcohol in the workplace and will impose sanctions on employees who violate these prohibitions.

Sanctions assigned to employees who violate the DAAPP may vary and are depending on the severity and nature of the offense. Sanctions may include a combination of or one of the following for violation (See Appendix for full policies) of DAAA (LEGAL) DH (LOCAL), DH (LEGAL), DI (LOCAL), DIAA (LOCAL), DHR (LOCAL), FFDA (LOCAL):

- Personal and verbal counseling by supervisor
- Write-up documenting the incident and warning that such infraction in the future will not be tolerated and a future infraction may result in termination of employment
- Suspension with and without pay
- A mandatory referral to the Employee Assistance Program
- A Performance Improvement Plan may be issued to the employee which is a developmental plan aimed at improving the employee's behavior, conduct, or performance with time frame to remediate the issue facing the employee
- The University may not renew the contract of a faculty or staff member
- The University may dismiss the employee

VIII. Appendices

Appendix 1: Federal Trafficking Penalties for Schedules I, II, III, IV, and V (except Marijuana)
Appendix 2: Federal Trafficking Penalties for Marijuana, Hashish and Hashish Oil, Schedule I Substances
Appendix 3: Employee Standards of Conduct DH (LOCAL)

Appendix 1: Federal Trafficking Penalties

Drug / Schedule / Quantity	Penalties	Drug / Schedule / Quantity	Penalties
Cocaine (Schedule II) 500-4999 grams mixture	First Offense: Not less 5 yrs., and not more than	Cocaine (Schedule II) 5 kgs or more mixture	First Offense: Not less than 10 yrs, and not more than life. If death
Cocaine Base (Schedule II) 28-279 grams mixture	40 yrs. If death or serious injury, not less than 20	Cocaine Base (Schedule II) 280 grams or more mixture	or serious injury, not less than 20 or more than life. Fine of not more
Fentanyl (Schedule II) 40-399 grams mixture	or more than life. Fine of not more than \$5 million if	Fentanyl (Schedule II) 400 grams or more mixture	than \$10 million if an individual, \$50 million if not an individual.
Fentanyl Analogue (Schedule I) 10-99 grams mixture	an individual, \$25 million if not an individual.	Fentanyl Analogue (Schedule I) 100 grams or more mixture	Second Offense: Not less than 20 yrs, and not more than life. If
Heroin (Schedule I) 100-999 grams mixture	Second Offense: Not less than	Heroin (Schedule I) 1 kg or more mixture	death or serious injury, life imprisonment. Fine of not more than \$20
LSD (Schedule I) 1-9 grams mixture	10 yrs, and not more than life. If death or serious injury, life imprisonment. Fine of not more than \$8 million if an individual, \$50 million if not an individual.	LSD (Schedule I) 10 grams or more mixture	million if an individual, \$75 million if not an individual.
Methamphetamine (Schedule II) 5-49 grams pure or 50-499 grams mixture		Methamphetamine (Schedule II) 50 grams or more mixture 500 grams or more mixture	2 or More Prior Offenses: Life imprisonment. Fine of not more than \$20
PCP (Schedule II) 10-99 grams pure or 100-999 grams mixture		PCP (Schedule II) 100 gm or more pure or 1 kg or more mixture	million if an individual, \$75 million if not an individual

Drug / Schedule	Quantity	Penalties
Other Schedule I & II drugs (and any drug product containing Gamma Hydroxbutyric Acid)	Any amount	First Offense: Not more than 20 yrs. If death or serious injury, not less than 20 yrs, or more than life. Fine \$1 million if an individual, \$5 million if not an individual.
Flunitrazepam (Schedule IV)	1 gram	Second Offense: Not more than 30 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine \$2, million if an individual, \$10 million if not an individual.
Other Schedule III drugs	Any amount	First Offense: Not more than 10 yrs. If death or serious injury, not less than 15 yrs, or more than life. Fine not more than \$500,000 if an individual \$2.5 million if not an individual. Second Offense: Not more than 20 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not more than 30 yrs. Fine not more than \$1 million if an individual, \$5 million if not an individual.
All other Schedule IV drugs	Any amount	First Offense: Not more than 5 yrs. Fine not more than \$250,000 if an individual \$1 million if not an individual.
Flunitrazepam (Schedule IV)	Other than 1 gram or more	Second Offense: Not more than 10 yrs. Fine not more than \$500,000 if an individual, \$2 million if not an individual.
All Schedule V drugs	Any Amount	First Offense: Not more than 1 yrs. Fine not more than \$100,000 if an individual \$250,000 if not an individual. Second Offense: Not more than 4yrs. Fine not more than \$200,000 if an individual, \$500,000 if not an individual.

Appendix 2: Federal Trafficking Penalties - Marijuana

Drug	Quantity	1st Offense	2nd Offense *
Marijuana (Schedule I)	1,000 kg or more marijuana mixture; or 1,000 or more marijuana plants	Not less than 10 yrs. Or more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs., or more than life. Fine not more than \$10 million if an individual, \$50 million if other than an individual	Not less than 20 yrs. Or more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine not more than \$20 million if an individual, \$75 million if other than an individual
Marijuana (Schedule I)	100 kg to 999 kg marijuana mixture; or 100 to 999 marijuana plants	Not less than 5yrs. Or more than 40 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs., or more than life. Fine not more than \$5 million if an individual, \$25 million if other than an individual	Not less than 10 yrs. or more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine not more than \$20 million if an individual, \$575million if other than an individual
Marijuana (Schedule I)	More than 10 kgs hashish; 50 to 99 kg marijuana mixture More than 1 kg of hashish oil; 50 to 99 marijuana plants	Not more than 20 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs., or more than life. Fine not more than \$1 million if an individual, \$5 million if other than an individual	Not more than 30 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine \$2 million if an individual, \$10 million if other than an individual
Marijuana (Schedule I)	Less than 50 kilograms marijuana (but does not include 50 or more marijuana plants regardless of weight) 1 to 49 marijuana plants;	Not more than 5 yrs. Fine not more than \$250,000, \$1 million if other than an individual	Not more than 10 yrs. Fine \$500,000 if an individual, \$2 million if other than individual.
Hashish (Schedule I)	10 kg or less		
Hashish Oil (Schedule I)	1 kg or less		

*The minimum sentence for a violation after two or more prior convictions for a felony drug offense have become final is a mandatory term of life imprisonment without release and a fine up to \$20 million if an individual and \$75 million if other than an individual

Appendix 3: Employee Standards of Conduct DH (LOCAL)

Employees are subject to the ethical standards set forth below from *North American University.*

Violations Employees shall comply with the ethical standards and rules of conduct set out in this policy and with any other policies, regulations, and guidelines that impose duties, requirements, or standards attendant to their status as University employees. Violation of any policies, regulations, or guidelines may result in disciplinary action, including termination of employment. Nothing in this policy modifies the at-will status of non-contractual employees.

Code of Professional Ethics

In order to express the affirmation of the University's professional responsibilities more adequately, the employees of the University, with the full support of the Board, do adopt and hold ourselves and each other subject to the following *Code of Professional Ethics:*

Place the educational welfare and success of University students as the University's highest priority. Strive to help all students realize their full potential as scholars and as human beings.

Treat all persons with respect, dignity, and justice, not discriminating against anyone on an arbitrary basis such as race, color, sex, age, religion, national origin, or disability.

Refrain from any conduct deemed to be sexual harassment, racial harassment, or any other form of illegal harassment. Report immediately any violation through the chain of supervision.

Encourage and defend the unfettered pursuit of truth. Support the free exchange of ideas and observe the highest standards of academic honesty, integrity, scholarship, and tolerance of other viewpoints.

Recognize the necessity of many roles in the educational enterprise and work in such a manner as to enhance teamwork and collegiality among students, faculty, administrators, and support staff.

Recognize and preserve the confidential nature of professional relationships, neither disclosing nor encouraging the disclosure of information or rumor that might damage, embarrass, or violate the privacy of any person unless required by law. This is not to indicate that persons of good judgment should not apprise University officials of legal or ethical violations of University policy.

Maintain competence through continued professional development. Demonstrate competence through preparation and performance and seek to enhance that competence by requesting and accepting constructive criticism and evaluation.

Refrain from activities that may have a conflict of interest. Exercise the highest professional standards in the use of time and resources. Refrain from using professional position for personal gain on campus or while working regularly assigned hours. Recognize the responsibility to the citizens and taxpayers of North American University.

Fulfill the employment agreement both in spirit and in fact. Neither accept tasks for which we are not qualified nor assign tasks to unqualified persons.

Act in all affairs in such a manner as to bring credit to the institution. Know and support the goals, objectives, and ideals of the institution.

Observe the stated rules and regulations of the institution. Seek revision in a judicious manner.

Participate in the governance of the institution by accepting a fair share of committee and institutional responsibilities.

Support the right of due process for all.

Rules of

conduct

Disapprove the continuation in higher education of an individual who is found, through due process, to be persistently unethical or professionally incompetent.

Accept all the rights and responsibilities of citizenship including participation in the formulation of public policy.

Refrain from any consensual relationship of an amorous or sexual nature between persons of authority, such as faculty or administrators, and their students or subordinates. Recognize that this behavior compromises the special trust between the University and the citizens it serves.

Every organization must have certain rules in order to operate smoothly and efficiently, to make cooperation with other employees easier, and to assist in properly respecting the rights and interests of each employee.

In most cases, such as poor work performance, minor infraction of University regulations, poor attendance, and the like, corrective action may be taken in an effort to enable the employee to become a more productive member of the University. If such action is not effective, the employee may be dismissed.

Examples of offenses that may warrant immediate discharge are as follows:

- I. Refusal to carry out job duties or reasonable directives of the employee's supervisor.
- 2. Deliberate or reckless action that causes either actual or potential loss, damage, or physical injury to the University, its employees, students, or students' property.
- 3. Fighting or disorderly conduct on University premises.
- 4. Unauthorized disclosure of confidential or related material or information.
- 5. Misrepresentation, including falsification of reports or records.
- 6. Conviction under a criminal drug statute or the illegal or unauthorized sale, purchase, transfer, use, or possession of alcohol or any dangerous controlled or illicit substance as defined by Texas law, on campus or at a University-sponsored or -sanctioned activity.
- 7. Misappropriation of University funds or other assets.
- Illegal or unauthorized sale, purchase, transfer, use, or possession of alcohol or drugs (narcotics, hallucinogens, stimulants) on University premisesor while on University business.
- 9. Illegal or unauthorized possession of a weapon on University property.

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