



DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE

March 22, 2011

Dear Students,

It is hard to believe we have passed the midpoint of the spring semester. As the days get longer and the weather warmer, planning and preparations for end of the year gatherings and celebrations are starting to take shape. As a reminder, if you or your club/organization is involved in planning an event, I want to take this opportunity to remind you of the University's alcohol policy. Hofstra is committed to maintaining a safe and healthy living and learning environment free from alcohol abuse. This commitment applies to University sponsored programs and events both on and off campus where alcohol is served.

In all situations provision and consumption of alcohol must comply with the University policy and New York State law, which prohibit dispensing alcohol to anyone under the age of 21, or to any visibly intoxicated person. Furthermore, no Hofstra University funds or funds collected can be used by student organizations or individual students for the procurement of alcohol.

Organizations sponsoring events, on or off campus, at which alcoholic beverages will be provided or sold, must comply with the requirements of the University policy, including obtaining prior written approval from the office of Student Leadership and Activities and the group's advisor. Sponsoring organizations must also demonstrate that reasonable precautions are taken so that no alcohol will be made available to or consumed by any individual not of legal drinking age nor any individual who is or appears to be intoxicated. In addition, your advisor or a designated University official (approved by the office of Student Leadership and Activities) must be present for the duration of the event. Any flyers or promotional materials with an image or writing that makes an inappropriate reference to alcohol will not be approved.

If your club/organization is considering sponsoring an event where alcohol will be served, I would encourage you to begin by assessing the number of persons in your group who have reached the legal age of 21. If the majority of your group is not of legal drinking age then I would challenge you to consider if serving alcohol is appropriate.

My sincere congratulations to all of you on a successful year.

Sincerely,

Peter J. Libman
Dean of Students

cc: Club/organization advisors