

University of Minnesota, Crookston
Smoke/Tobacco Free Campus Policy
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Philosophy:

The University of Minnesota, Crookston is committed to creating a clean, safe and healthy living, learning and working environment for all students and employees of the University. The purpose of the policy is to reduce harm from second hand smoke, provide an environment that encourages individuals to be tobacco-free and establish a campus culture of wellness and promote a tobacco-free society.

Rationale:

Research findings show that tobacco use in general, including smoking and breathing second hand smoke, constitutes a significant health hazard.

Policy:

Effective January 1, 2009 smoking, tobacco use and tobacco sales (including the use or sales of smokeless tobacco products) are prohibited on University owned, operated, or leased properties and in University owned, leased or operated vehicles by employees, students or visitors.

Definitions:

Smoking: The burning of any type of lighted pipe, cigar, cigarette, or any other smoking equipment filled with tobacco or any other type of material.

Smokeless tobacco products: Smokeless tobacco consists of the use of snuff, chewing tobacco, smokeless pouches or other forms of loose leaf tobacco.

Enforcement:

Enforcement of this policy will depend upon the cooperation of all faculty, staff and students to not only comply with the policy, but also to encourage others to comply in order to promote a healthy environment in which to work, learn and live.

In the case of a violation, the person will be informed of the University Smoking and Tobacco Use Policy. Should an individual continue to violate the policy, the aggrieved party should contact the appropriate office; for University employees, the person's immediate supervisor; for students, the Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management; and for visitors, Campus Security.

Cessation Programs and Services:

A series of cessation programs for students, faculty and staff will be made available during the fall semester to assist those individuals who would like to end their use of tobacco products.