

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program

The Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 and the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989

The Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 and the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989 require all federal grant recipients to certify a drug-free environment. Atlanta Metropolitan State College has a vital interest in maintaining a safe and healthy learning environment for the benefit of all its students and employees, and to ensure its successful operation as an educational institution. In compliance with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, and the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989, Atlanta Metropolitan State College has established the following policy which reinforces the College's commitment toward promoting a drug-free learning environment. As a condition of receiving an education at Atlanta Metropolitan State College, each student is required by federal law to comply with the terms of the below mentioned statement.

IT IS THE POLICY OF ATLANTA METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE THAT THE UNLAWFUL MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, DISPENSION, POSSESSION, OR USE OF ILLICIT DRUGS AND ALCOHOL IS PROHIBITED ON INSTITUTE PROPERTY OR AS PART OF ITS ACTIVITES.

Each student/employee so engaged in the performance of any federal grant is required by federal law to comply with the terms of this statement. The College must be notified of any criminal drug statue conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) days after such conviction. The College is required to notify the granting agency within ten (10) days after receiving notice of a conviction of a student/employee under any criminal drug statute. Any student or employee who is found to have violated the policy will be subject to sanctions by the College, which may include suspension, expulsion/termination, mandated participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program, or referral for prosecution.

This statement will be distributed annually. Every two (2) years the statement will be evaluated for its effectiveness. As part of this biennial review, schools must determine:

- The number of drug and alcohol-related violations and fatalities that occur on a school's campus, or as part of any of the school's activities and are reported to campus officials:**
- The number and type of sanctions that are imposed by the school as a result of drug and alcohol-related violations and fatalities on the school's campus or as part of any of the school's activities.**

For the year 2013, there were four alcohol-related violations , zero fatalities occurred on school campus, resulting in zero imposed sanctions. Both students and employees of Atlanta Metropolitan State College are asked to sign an Acknowledgement of Receipt upon distribution of this disclosure. Federal law also requires that you be advised of the following:

- **Legal Sanctions:** Federal, State, and Local laws prohibit the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of controlled substances, illicit drugs, and alcohol. Specific criminal penalties are applicable to unlawful activities and may include imprisonment and fines. For more specific information on legal sanctions, you may visit the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) website at www.dea.gov.
- **Health Risks:** Significant health risks are associated with and result from the use of illicit drugs and abuse of alcohol, including raised blood pressure, blurred vision, dizziness, loss of sleep, anxiety and depression, heart or respiratory failure: and liver, brain, and stomach destruction. Additionally, there can be serious health risks to an unborn child.
- **Counseling, Rehabilitation and Treatment:** Atlanta Metropolitan State College is committed to assisting students and employees with substance abuse problems in utilizing available drug and alcohol counseling, rehabilitation, treatment, or re-entry programs. Contact Information for various counseling, rehabilitation and treatment facilities are listed below.

<p>Family's First Counseling</p> <p>25 Newcastle St, SW</p> <p>404-789-2920</p> <p>www.familiesfirst.org</p>	<p>Alcoholics Anonymous</p> <p>Atlanta, GA</p> <p>404-525-3178</p> <p>www.aa.org</p>
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National Institute on Drug Abuse

(800) 662-HELP

www.drugabuse.gov

**24 Hour Alcohol and Drug Abuse Information and
Treatment**

(800) ALCOHOL

For more information, please contact:

Atlanta Metropolitan State College

1630 Metropolitan Parkway, SW

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