

Students are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the law!

Claiming ignorance of the law and University policy does not exempt a student from being charged through the University of Delaware judicial system.



The Office of Judicial Affairs
218 Hullihen Hall
University of Delaware

302-831-2117

For more information about University policies and the judicial process, please go to:

www.udel.edu/judicialaffairs
www.udel.edu/stuguide

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UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE STUDENTS

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OFF-CAMPUS VIOLATION POLICY



University of Delaware students are expected to be law-abiding students and citizens. Violations of local, state, or federal law will always be referred to the proper authorities and subject to university judicial action. While students are not charged in the university judicial system for a specific off-campus crime, students are held accountable for violating the law through the Off-Campus Violation policy. A student who has pleaded guilty to or otherwise accepted responsibility for a violation, e.g. Probation Before Judgment (PBJ) or *nolo contendere*, in Alderman's Court or another court should be aware of pending university charges.

Although there are fundamental differences in Alderman's Court between Probation Before Judgment and a guilty finding, the University judicial system adjudicates all cases and does not differentiate between these outcomes.

WHAT TO EXPECT AFTER COURT

The City of Newark forwards information about students who are convicted of or plead guilty to a crime from Alderman's Court to the Office of Judicial Affairs.

- The University's Office of Judicial Affairs will send an e-mail to the student announcing the Off-Campus Violation charge.
- The student has three days from the time the e-mail is sent to attend a pre-hearing meeting at the Office of Judicial Affairs.
- During the pre-hearing, the student will be given the chance to discuss the incident and will have the opportunity to ask ques-

tions and review relevant information available in his/her judicial file. The student will also have the option of pleading guilty or not guilty to the charge(s) and accepting or rejecting the sanctions.

- Failure to attend the pre-hearing meeting within the specified time will be considered an admission of guilt to the violation.

THE STUDENT JUDICIAL SYSTEM

The Student Judicial System may adjudicate any violation of the Code of Conduct or any other university policy or regulation that is alleged to have been committed by:

- A full- or part-time matriculated or continuing education student;
- A student who is serving a period of suspension from the university;
- A student enrolled in any special program at the University; or
- A student organization, fraternity, or sorority.

MAY I HAVE AN ATTORNEY?

While a student may wish to consult with an attorney regarding criminal matters, attorneys are not permitted to participate in University judicial hearings except when a student is facing felony charges. Students may consult with a University Judicial Advisor, free of charge, regarding University judicial matters. A list of judicial advisors is available at: www.udel.edu/judicialaffairs/advisors.html

SANCTIONING OF OFF-CAMPUS VIOLATIONS

The current incident and a student's previous judicial history are considered in determining sanctions. Sanctions are cumulative and can range from disciplinary probation to expulsion from the University. Educational or other sanctions may also be imposed.

NOTE

Students should consult with the Office of Judicial Affairs prior to entering a plea in court if there is a question about how the court matter will affect their status as a student at the University. Police or court personnel are not trained or expected to answer your questions about University consequences for off-campus violations.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

about the City of Newark and local laws, please go to:

newark.de.us/
The City of Newark

newark.de.us/docs/departments/aldermans_court.html
Alderman's Court

courts.delaware.gov/How%20To/court%20proceedings/?JP_crimpbj.htm

Information about Probation before Judgment

courts.delaware.gov/
Delaware State Courts

www.udel.edu/PublicSafety/
University of Delaware Department of Public Safety

www.udel.edu/alcohol

Alcohol resource page containing University, local, and national information

Newark Police (non-emergency)366-7111

UD Police (non-emergency)831-2222

Alderman's Court366-7028

Emergency911

