

Alcohol Discipline - “Strikes” in the Italian Campus Program

Students that attend the Italian Campus program are bound by the rules stipulated in Duquesne University Residence Life Handbook, the Italian Campus Student Handbook, the Amendments to the Duquesne University Residence Life Handbook for the Italian Campus, the Participation Agreement, the Alcohol Agreement and also the laws of the country of Italy.

As stated in the Italian Campus Alcohol Agreement (no. 8), “Consequences for prohibited uses or abuses of alcohol are at the Italian Campus’ sole discretion, including without limitation, probation or immediate dismissal from the Italian Campus program, without recourse or refund.” This means that for situations where a student becomes a danger to himself/herself or has endangered the life someone else, he/she can be dismissed from the program without any previous “strikes”.

1st Strike

A 1st strike at the Italian Campus is a first offense, such as (but not limited to):

- Being intoxicated/drunk
- Having alcohol on campus/During Academic Excursions
- A noise violation due to alcohol consumption

What happens?

- If on an Academic Excursion, the offending student will be escorted back to Rome by an ARD (at your expense).
- Mandatory meeting with the Director of the Program.
- A monetary fine between €25,00 and €50,00 (see “Sanctions for Violations of Italian Campus Policies and Procedures” – pg. 32 of the Italian Campus Student Handbook).
- Requirement to meet one time with the Italian Campus Counselor.
- The incident will be reported to the Office of International Programs and the VP of Student Life.

2nd Strike – “Probation”

A 2nd strike will generally be given as a second offense, after a student has already received a 1st strike.

What happens?

- All of the “What Happens?” listed under 1st Strike.
- A Probation Contract will be drawn up. The contract outlines behaviors that will result in immediate expulsion of the program. The student will have to sign the contract, in addition to the Director of the program, a witness (staff member), and your parents.
- Requirement to meet two times with the Italian Campus Counselor.
- The probation will be communicated to the Office of International Program and the VP of Student Life.

3rd Strike – “Expulsion”

Expulsion from the program happens when either a student breaks their probation or if a student has caused danger to himself/herself or has endangered the life of someone else.

What happens?

- Mandatory meeting with the Director of the Program.
- Airline ticket will either be changed or a new ticket will be purchased to send student home (at student’s expense).
- The parents of the offending student, the Executive Director of International Programs and the VP of Student Life will receive notice of the student’s impending return home.
- A Judicial Affairs hearing will happen at Duquesne University’s home campus in Pittsburgh upon return, where further sanctions will be determined.