

Alcohol Discipline - “Strikes” in the Duquesne in Dublin Program

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

As stated in the Duquesne in Dublin Alcohol Agreement “Consequences for prohibited uses or abuses of alcohol are at Duquesne in Dublin’s sole discretion, including without limitation, probation or immediate dismissal from the Duquesne in Dublin 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 Dublin 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 Dublin by an ARD (at your expense).
- Mandatory meeting with the Director of the Program.
- A monetary fine between €25,00 and €50,00.
- Complete online DU Cares alcohol program and have a follow up meeting with the Director
- The incident will be reported to the Office of International Programs and the VP of Student Life.
- Completion of community service hours designated by the Director

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?

- If on an Academic Excursion, the offending student will be escorted back to Dublin by an ARD (at your expense).
- Mandatory meeting with the Director of the Program.
- Requirement to meet two times with the Dublin Campus Counselor.
- A counseling fee of €120 – *this pays directly for your two counseling sessions.*
- 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.
- The probation will be communicated to the Office of International Program and the VP of Student Life.
- Completion of community service hours designated by the Director.

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.