

## SMOKE-FREE POLICY

### 1 PURPOSE

The objective of this Policy is to outline University College's commitment to providing a smoke-free work and learning environment.

### 2 SCOPE

This Policy applies to all College buildings, grounds and property, including vehicles controlled by the College.

The policy supports compliance with the:

- a) Occupational Health and Safety Act, 2004 (Vic);
- b) Tobacco Act, 1987 (Vic); and
- c) National Tobacco Strategy 2012–2018.

### 3 POLICY STATEMENT

University College is committed to providing a safe and healthy campus environment free of passive smoking risk for staff, students, contractors, honoraries and visitors.

Whilst the College recognises an individual's right to smoke and consume tobacco & vaping products, it is committed to minimising the smoking/vaping related and tobacco related harm to all persons who attend College and does not encourage this behaviour.

Smoking and vaping is prohibited:

- (a) in College vehicles;
- (b) in College-controlled buildings;
- (c) on College-controlled grounds and property; and
- (d) in College residences.

### 4 COMPLIANCE

Compliance breaches with this Policy will be dealt with as follows:

- (a) Students breaching the Smoke-Free Policy may be subject to action under the Student Code of Conduct.
- (b) Staff breaching the Smoke-Free Policy may be subject to action under the Staff Code of Conduct.
- (c) Contractors continuing to breach the Smoke-Free Policy after being requested to desist may be required to leave the campus.
- (d) Visitors continuing to breach the Smoke-Free Policy after being requested to desist may be required to leave the campus.

### 5 DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this policy, "Smoking" also refers to:

- (a) any method of consuming by combustion/smoking of plant material, herbs, or drugs (licit or illicit) using any utensil or apparatus, including cigarettes, pipes or cigars; and
- (b) the use of e-cigarettes ('vaping').

**6 RELEVANT COLLEGE POLICIES**

- Staff Code of Conduct
- Student Code of Conduct
- Visitor Code of Conduct

**7 APPROVAL AND REVIEW DETAILS**

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