



recreational cannabis law in Illinois permits an adult (21 years of age or older) to use cannabis and avoid civil and criminal penalties under state law.

research/reflection essay, an Advising session, Official Reprimand or warning, Referral to Wellness Center, and/or Notification of parents/guardians (if under 21 years of age).

Recognizing the need to address violations related to the use or possession of illegal drugs, the University is also committed to the education and well-being of all our students in this regard. In partnership with students, departments including Student Life, University Police, University Ministry, Residence Life and the Student Wellness Center work together to provide various alcohol and drug prevention education and awareness activities and initiatives.

## Amnesty for Students Seeking Assistance during Emergencies

The health, safety, and welfare of our students and community are our top priority. As such, all Lewis students are expected to alert appropriate officials in the event of any health or safety emergency specifically including those involving the abuse of alcohol or drugs. If violations of the University Behavioral Standards have occurred in connection with such an emergency.

Because the University understands that fear of possible disciplinary actions may deter certain requests for emergency assistance, the University has adopted the following policy to alleviate such concerns and promote responsible action on the part of students:

In a situation involving imminent threat or danger to the health or safety of any individual(s), students are generally expected (1) to contact emergency officials by calling University Police at extension 5911 or (815) 836-5911 to report the incident, (2) to remain with the individual(s) needing emergency treatment and cooperate with emergency officials, so long as it is safe to do so, and (3) to meet with appropriate University officials after the incident and cooperate with any University investigation.

If students follow this procedure, no formal University disciplinary actions or sanctions will be imposed for alcohol or drug infractions. The incident will be documented, and educational, community, and health interventions as well as contact with a student's parents or family - may be required as a condition of deferring disciplinary actions or sanctions. The protocol does not protect repeated, flagrant, or serious violations of University Behavioral Standards (including physical or sexual assault, violence, hazing, harassment, theft, or vandalism or instances where multiple individuals need medical attention), nor does it preclude or prevent action by police or other legal authorities.

Failure of students to take responsible actions in an emergency situation where action is clearly warranted, however, may void all protections under this provision and may lead to further disciplinary action when such failure to act otherwise constitutes a violation of University Behavioral Standards.

## Amnesty for Students Seeking Substance Abuse Assistance

Illinois Higher Education Center – [www.eiu.edu/ihec](http://www.eiu.edu/ihec)

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The University encourages students who believe they have a substance problem to seek assistance. If a student brings his or her own use, addiction or dependency to the attention of University officials outside of the threat of drug tests or imposition of disciplinary action and seeks assistance, disciplinary action will not be pursued. A written action plan may be used to track cooperation with any recommended treatment, evaluation or follow-up for students involved in such incidents. Failure to follow the action plan may nullify the protection from disciplinary action.

## Employee Sanctions

The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of a controlled substance by employees on University premises, or while conducting University business off University premises, is absolutely prohibited.

Violations of this prohibition by employees may result in the application of sanctions, including possible required participation in an approved drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program, and disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment under applicable regulations, University policies, statutes, employment contracts, or collective bargaining agreements.

## Illinois Sanctions for Violation of Alcohol Control Statutes (235 Illinois Compiled Statutes 5/620)

- A. Class A Misdemeanor unlawful use of a identification card
- B. Class 4 F4 F4 isoyc 0 T7 Tc 0Lu4 ( of)9 0 1Tc 0Lu(ic)6 (a)6 (ty ( c)6 (a)6 (r)u)

The Zero Tolerance Law provides that minors can have their driving privileges suspended even if they're not intoxicated at the .08 level. The following table shows the length of time your driving privileges may be suspended under the Zero Tolerance Law (BAC of .01 or greater) and DUI Laws (for BAC of .08 or greater). The loss of driving privileges is greater if you refuse to take a sobriety test.





mixture. More than 1 kg of hashish oil; 50 to 99 plants.	Fine of \$1 million if an individual, \$5 million if other than an individual.	million if an individual, \$10 million if other than an individual.
1-49 plants; less than 50 kg mixture	No more than 5 years. Fine not more than \$250,000, \$1 million if other than an individual	No more than 10 years. Fine \$500,000 if an individual, \$2 million if other than an individual



Lewis University Police Department Non-Emergency	815-836-5222 <a href="https://www.lewisu.edu/police">https://www.lewisu.edu/police</a>
Dean of Students & Assistant Vice President for Student Life	815- 836-5278 <a href="https://lewisu.edu/dos/">https://lewisu.edu/dos/</a>
Lewis University Employee Assistance Program (AllOne Health)	800- 456- 6237 <a href="https://perspectives.mylifeexpert.com/">https://perspectives.mylifeexpert.com/</a>

#### OFF-CAMPUS RESOURCES

South Suburban Council on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse- Peer Recovery Support, Recovery Coaching, Recovery Support Services, Self-Help & 12-Step Groups, Sober Living Homes	708- 647-3333 <a href="http://www.sscouncil.org">www.sscouncil.org</a>
Stepping Stones Outpatient Counseling, Intensive Outpatient Treatment, Residential Treatment, Recovery Home	815- 744- 4555

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