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SMOKE-FREE CAMPUS POLICY

Approval Authority	President
Responsible Executive	Chief Financial Officer and Vice-President Administration/ Associate Vice- President, Human Resources
Related Policies / Legislation	Section 4.81 of the Worksafe BC Occupational Health and Safety Regulations revised April 1, 2013, as amended from time to time. City of Abbotsford, Smoking Regulation Bylaw no 1694-2007, 2007 Tobacco Control Act and Regulation

PURPOSE

The University of the Fraser Valley (UFV) is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for all who use the university premises or participate in university-sponsored events.

UFV recognizes that smoking or vaping any substance is a serious health hazard to the smoker and others. As such, the university is committed to minimizing contact with first and second-hand smoke by restricting smoking within the university property.

The University of the Fraser Valley respects the rights of aboriginal people to use smoke in traditional spiritual or cultural practices or ceremonies.

SCOPE

This policy applies to anyone present on UFV premises, and/or anyone in any UFV vehicle.

DEFINITIONS

- **1.** "Smoke/Smoking" is defined as inhaling, exhaling, burning, vaping, or carrying lit Smoke Products (defined below).
- **2.** "Smoke Products" are any equipment used to smoke tobacco, cannabis, or any other substance, including, but not limited to: cigarettes, cigars, pipes, and e-cigarettes.
- **3.** "Premises" is defined as any and all land and buildings owned or leased by UFV, whether on or off of UFV Campus.
- **4.** "UFV" means the University of the Fraser Valley.

POLICY

The University of the Fraser Valley is a smoke free organization and smoking is prohibited on UFV Premises. Exemptions to the restrictions in this policy may be granted for traditional and ceremonial events at approved times and places (see regulation 1.0).

The sale of tobacco, cannabis, and other smoking related products is prohibited on all UFV Premises.

REGULATIONS

1.0 Exemptions:

Requests for exemptions to this policy must be made in writing to the CFO and VP Administration and must include the rationale for the request, as well as a description of who will be impacted by the exemption and how the impact will be mitigated.

2.0 Compliance and Enforcement:

All members of the UFV community are responsible for maintaining a clean, healthy learning and working environment. Every member of the UFV community is encouraged to remind other members of the UFV community of this policy and to report violations of this policy to his or her administrator or to UFV Campus Security, as appropriate.

All UFV administration, faculty and staff will be accountable to adhering to the smoking policy and educating staff, students, and visitors of this policy when needed.

Violation of this policy can lead to disciplinary action.

Facilities Management is responsible for ensuring that sufficient and appropriate signage is current, displayed, and maintained.

APPENDICES

https://ufv.ca/media/assets/smoke-free/UFV-No-Smoking-Zones.pdf