



## No Smoking Policy for Urdaneta City University (UCU)

### Purpose:

The Urdaneta City University (UCU) is committed to promoting a healthy and safe environment for students, faculty, staff, and visitors. This policy establishes a smoke-free environment across all university premises to enhance the quality of campus life and support the health and well-being of the entire UCU community.

### Scope:

This policy applies to all students, faculty, staff, contractors, and visitors on UCU premises, including but not limited to buildings, outdoor spaces, walkways, parking lots, university-owned vehicles, and other areas within the campus.

### Policy Statement:

#### 1. Prohibition of Smoking

Smoking of any kind, including the use of cigarettes, cigars, pipes, electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes), and vaping devices, is strictly prohibited on all UCU premises, including:

- Classrooms, laboratories, libraries, and offices
- Cafeterias, restrooms, hallways, and stairwells
- Outdoor areas such as gardens, open spaces, and walkways
- Parking areas and all university-owned vehicles

#### 2. Enforcement of the Policy

Campus Security and designated staff are authorized to enforce this policy. Violators will be reminded of the policy and may face disciplinary action as outlined below. UCU will post “No Smoking” signs at visible locations around the campus to remind everyone of this policy. Students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to report any violations to Campus Security to ensure compliance.

#### 3. Consequences of Violation

Violations of this No Smoking Policy will result in:

**First Offense:** Verbal warning and educational materials on the health risks of smoking.

**Second Offense:** Written warning and required participation in a smoking cessation program.

**Third and Subsequent Offenses:** Disciplinary action, including but not limited to suspension or fines, depending on the severity of the offense.

#### 4. Support for Smoking Cessation

UCU is committed to supporting students, faculty, and staff who wish to quit smoking. The university provides access to smoking cessation resources, including counseling and referral to local health programs. Information on these programs will be available through the university’s Health Services.

#### 5. Compliance and Review

UCU will regularly review the No Smoking Policy to ensure its effectiveness and to update it as necessary. Community members are encouraged to provide feedback to help improve the policy’s implementation and reach.

Urdaneta City University is dedicated to creating a smoke-free campus to protect the health and safety of all members of its community. We encourage everyone to respect and adhere to this policy and to work together toward a cleaner, healthier, and safer environment for all.

Effective Date: **June 1, 2022**

