Drugs at UVU

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Short Video





1/ Methamphetamine 2/ Heroin 3/ LSD (Acid) 4/ Spice 5/ Marijuana

Research Questions

• Is there a drug problem at UVU?

• Are students Aware of UVU's Policy?

• Are students aware of help for addicts?



Interview With UVU PD



- How many drug related crimes have been committed over the last month? 6 months? Year?
- What is the most common drug offense on campus?
- Is drug use a major problem for the UVU PD? What percentage of the workload is drug related?
- What happens after a citation/arrest?

Interview With UVU PD

Utah drug laws 58-37-8

- (1) Prohibited acts A-- Penalties and reporting:
- (a) Except as authorized by this chapter, it is unlawful for any person to knowingly and intentionally:
- (i) produce, manufacture, or dispense, or to possess with intent to produce, manufacture, or dispense, a controlled or counterfeit substance;
- (ii) distribute a controlled or counterfeit substance, or to agree, consent, offer, or arrange to distribute a controlled or counterfeit substance;
- (iii) possess a controlled or counterfeit substance with intent to distribute;
- https://le.utah.gov/xcode/Title58/Chapter37/58 -37-S8.html

UVU PD Interview Continued

- Marijuana offenses happen almost daily. Marijuana is still illegal in Utah and usually carries a penalty of possible jail time and a fine. Most offenses are a Class B Misdemeanor for possession. Manufacturing or selling, or having large quantities can enhance the penalty to a Felony.
- The most common drug offense on campus is marijuana related. Though there are offenses involving meth and heroin.

- Drug offenses are not currently classified as a major problem for UVU PD. It is estimated that around 10% of their workload is related to drug use.
- After a citation or an arrest is made comes the court process. This is where the individual can fight their charges or pay their fines/fees, among other court procedures. There is a Drug Court program available for those that qualify conducted through the Orem courts.

Drug court Program

- Is a program for students at UVU after a drug felony
- Keeps the student to follow up court dates every friday
- Helps the student to keep his/her education and process of rehabilitation
- Every court date the student must get a urine test done
 - If positive the student will put in jail
- The program has been successful
 - Students overcome their addiction and problems
 - Become better students



Interview with UVU Administration

- What is the current policy?
- How serious of an offense are drug crimes on campus?
- What is the process when someone is found committing a drug offense on campus?
- Does UVU provide help for those addicted?
- Does UVU provide information/sponsor treatment programs?



Drug Policy At UVU

- Zero Tolerance of Drug use
- A drug violation will immediately be an offense
 - First offense student will follow up student conduct
 - Second offense of drug offense student will be taken to a disciplinary hearing and a mandatory substance abuse assessment (depending on the severity of the violation)
 - Third offense will occur a sanction, parent notification, and disciplinary suspension
- Student can be arrested depending on the type of drug
- Possess of Marijuana will be only a citation on the student

Interview with Admin. Continued

5.3 GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

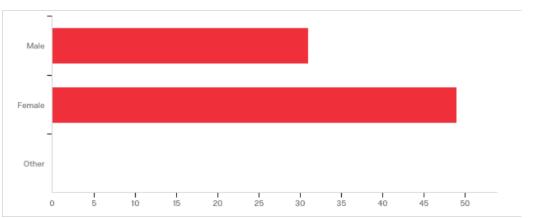
5.3.1. A student assumes the responsibility to conduct himself/herself in an appropriate manner. Categories of misconduct that are not considered responsible behavior include, but are not limited to, the following:

5.3.1. 6) Unlawful use, possession, distribution, sale, manufacture, or possession for purposes of distribution or sale of controlled substance or illegal drug on any property or in any building owned, leased, or rented by the institution or at any activity sponsored by the institution.

Interview with Admin. Continued

Average Age of Survey Participants

- A total of 80 people participated out of a targeted 500 students, 16% participation.
- Age range from 18 to 54.
- Average age of those participated is 25.1 years old.
- 49 female participants, 31 male participants



Raised in Utah

When Were You First Exposed to Drugs?

Which Drugs Have You Used?

Are You Currently Aware How to Obtain Drugs if So Desired?

Have You Witnessed Drug Use On UVU Property?

Where Have You Seen Drug Use

Are You Aware of UVU's Drug Policy?

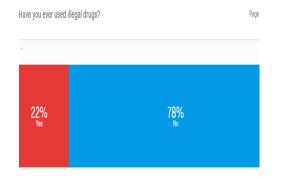
Are You Aware of Local Programs for Addicts?

Do You Feel Treatment Should Be Available for All Addicts?

How Certain Are You That There is a Drug Problem at UVU?

Survey Question Results

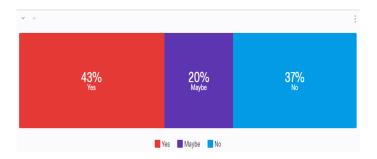
Have you ever used illegal Drugs?



Do you know anyone at UVU that has used illegal Drugs?

Q10 - Do you know anyone at UVU that has used illegal drugs?

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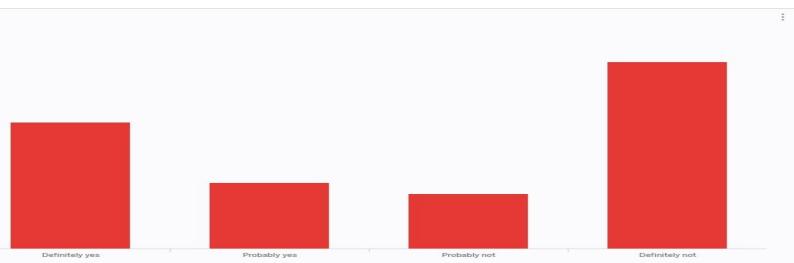


Have you ever been Propositioned for drug use?

Q7 - Have you ever been propositioned for drug use?

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Rehabilitation at UVU

Mental health services at UVU

- Provide treatment for anxiety, depression, substances abuse etc.
- The goal is to help the student to become better and overcome additiotion



WHEN IN DOUBT, REACH OUT!

- UVU Police @801-863-5555 or 911. (If you feel unsafe or need immediate assistance)
- Tip Line @801-863-1234. (Report behavior concerns, disruptions, signs of distress or significant issues, unsure about the severity of situation)
- Call for consultation
- Mental Health/ Crisis Services 801-863-7590
- Sexual Assault Response Team/Title IX 801-863-7590
- OMBUDS 801-863-7237



Mental Health Services at UVU

- Mental Health Services are available for students at UVU
 - How to make appointment
 - Must be enrolled in 9+ credits at UVU
 - Individual therapy \$10/session
 - Group Therapy is free but must be enrolled in 1 credit hr.
 - Phone number
 - 801-863-8867