



Smoke-Free Campus Policy

Policy owner UCD HR **Approval date and body** UMT, 26 September 2023

1. Purpose

UCD is committed to having campuses where all community members can go about their business in an environment unencumbered by smoke or vapour from tobacco or e-cigarettes. This commitment applies to the built-up areas of the campuses, car parks and pedestrian routes to and from commuting facilities. It is the policy of University College Dublin that defined areas of its campuses are smoke-free and that smoking and vaping/e-smoking in all forms is prohibited in these areas.

2. Definitions

Campuses refers to the Belfield and Blackrock and Lyons Farm campuses.

3. Scope

This policy applies to all employees, students, service users, customers and visitors. This policy coexists with the UCD Smoke-Free Workplace policy.

4. Principles

The key principles behind a smoke-free campus include:

- The establishment of smoke and vapour free areas as a courtesy to campus users
- The protection of the UCD environment from litter
- The promotion of good health amongst the university community

The policy was implemented in 3 phases starting in September 2015. Implementation is now complete.

To facilitate campus community members to go about their business in an environment unencumbered by smoke or vapour from tobacco or e-cigarettes, no smoking/vaping is permitted in:

- the core built-up areas of the Belfield, Blackrock and Lyons Farm campuses
- the campus commuting hubs, car parks and pedestrian routes to and from commuting facilities on the Belfield, Blackrock and Lyons Farm campuses

This policy will be achieved via community engagement and community enforcement. All members of the UCD community are asked to adhere to this policy and to encourage others to do so.

5. Smoking Cessation

Information on how to obtain help quitting smoking is now available from:

- The University's Employee Assistant Service (Culture & Engagement website)
- The National Smokers Quitline (1800 201 203) (<https://www2.hse.ie/quit-smoking/>)

6. Roles and responsibilities

The smoke-free campus will be achieved via community engagement and community enforcement.

7. Related documents

UCD Smoke-Free Workplace policy

8. Version history

Version	Date	Description	Author
1.1	03/06/2015	Approved policy	Smoke-free Campus Working Group
1.2	21/06/2016	Updated to phase 2	Smoke-free Campus Working Group
1.3	12/12/2017	Updated to indicate that phase 3 has been implemented	M Simpson
1.4	28/05/2020	Policy moved to new template, formatting changes. Link to National Smokers Quitline updated	S Raleigh
1.5	19/10/2020	Removal of introductory phase descriptors as now complete	M Simpson
1.6	September 2023	Addition of Lyons Farm to list of campuses.	P.Fitzgerald