

San Francisco State University - Office of the President

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SUBJECT: University Executive Directive #04-33: Smoke-Free Campus
(Supersedes UED #03-31)

San Francisco State University Policy Statement on a Smoke-Free Campus

I. Policy Statement

It is the policy of San Francisco State University to provide a smoke free environment for its students, faculty, staff, administrators, visitors and the general public attending campus events.

II. Background

Environmental tobacco smoke is recognized as the third leading cause of preventable death, behind active smoking and alcohol, and has been designated as a carcinogen (known to cause human cancer) by the State of California and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Involuntary smoking is a cause of disease, including lung cancer, in healthy nonsmokers. The simple separation of smokers and nonsmokers within the same air space may reduce, but does not eliminate, the exposure of nonsmokers to environmental tobacco smoke, nor does the EPA recognize a safe level of exposure to environmental tobacco smoke.

On February 19, 1993, Governor Pete Wilson signed and issued Executive Order W-42-93, banning smoking in state-owned buildings and leased space. Consistent with this order, Assembly Bill 291, signed by the Governor on October 11, 1993, extended this smoking prohibition to include all state-owned passenger vehicles, as defined in Section 465 of the California Vehicle Code. Both enactments became effective January 1, 1994

At its September 2002 meeting, the California State University Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that added Section 42356 to Title 5, California Code of Regulations. The Section delegated authority to presidents and the chancellor to adopt rules regulating smoking on CSU campuses and properties. The resolution was adopted in response to discussions and concerns about secondhand smoke. Section 42356 gives presidents and the chancellor authority to set policy regarding regulation of secondhand smoke on campuses grounds and to limit smoking to specified areas or ban smoking on the campus altogether.

On August 1, 2003, as president I issued University Executive Order #03-31, extending the prohibition on outdoor smoking from 20 feet to within 30 feet of a campus building or ground level air intake structure.

In August, 2003, the Franciscan Shops, Inc. (Bookstore) decided to end the sales of tobacco products in its snack shops.

On April 27, 2004 the Academic Senate of San Francisco State University approved and transmitted a resolution calling for a smoke-free campus.

This University Executive Directive creates a smoke-free campus and limits smoking to specified areas. It further prohibits the sale of tobacco products on campus.

III. Provisions:

A. University owned or leased property.

1. **Effective August 23, 2004, The University shall be a smoke-free campus. Smoking is prohibited on University owned or leased property, except for officially posted designated smoking areas. The sale of tobacco products on campus is prohibited.**

2. Appropriate signs shall be posted at all entrances to campus grounds.

B. University owned buildings and leased space.

1. Smoking shall be prohibited in any campus-owned building or leased space. This prohibition shall apply to any area enclosed by the outermost walls of

the building. Atriums, balconies, stairwells, and other similar building features are to be considered "within a building."

2. For purposes of fire safety, ashtrays and other appropriate smoking litter appliances will be provided outside of campus-owned and/or leased buildings.

C. University owned passenger vehicles and moving equipment.

1. Smoking shall be prohibited at all times in any University owned vehicle.

2. The smoking prohibition applies to passenger vehicles and all other state-owned mobile equipment to include light and heavy trucks, cargo and passenger vans, buses, and any other mobile equipment with an enclosed or enclosable driver/passenger compartment.

IV. Designated Smoking Areas:

A. Facilities and Service Enterprises is responsible for identifying designated smoking areas. It will ensure that clear signs are displayed at all entrances to the campus, as well as other conspicuous locations, to notify the public that smoking is permitted only in the officially designated areas and is otherwise prohibited on the campus grounds or in campus buildings.

B. Questions and problems regarding this policy should be handled through existing administrative processes, including Facilities and Service Enterprises and the Vice President for Administration and Finance.

The success of this policy will depend on the thoughtfulness, consideration and cooperation of smokers and nonsmokers.