

Universities with Smoke-Free Air Policies

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ACROSS THE UNITED STATES: UNIVERSITIES WITH SMOKE-FREE CAMPUSES

The American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation is a national repository of local tobacco-related ordinances and regulations in the United States. Each quarter, the ANR Foundation releases lists of places with 100% smokefree air. While most college and university campuses have smokefree policies prohibiting smoking indoors, with residential housing being the exception, ANR compiled a list including only those colleges and universities with entirely smokefree campuses, or campuses with minor exceptions for smoking in limited, outdoor areas. According to their July 1, 2011 report, at least

530 colleges and universities in the U.S. are entirely smokefree campuses.

Delta State University, the University of Arkansas, and the University of Florida have some of the most protective smoking policies in the Southeast. These universities are tobacco-free campuses. Smoking is prohibited throughout campus, including outside sidewalks and university vehicles. The University of Mississippi prohibits smoking everywhere on campus except designated tobacco-use areas only, signified by a cigarette receptacle.

AT LEAST 530 CAMPUSES ARE 100 PERCENT SMOKE-FREE WITH NO EXEMPTIONS, OR MINOR EXEMPTIONS, FOR REMOTE OUTDOOR AREAS. THESE CAMPUSES INCLUDE:

- Delta State University
- University of Mississippi
- Blue Mountain College
- Northeast Mississippi Community College
- Itawamba Community College
- Austin Peay State University
- North Georgia College and State University
- Arkansas: All public colleges & universities
- University of Florida
- Medical College of Georgia
- East Georgia College
- East Tennessee State University
- Milligan College
- Vanderbilt University Medical Center
- University of Kentucky

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POLICIES AT MS UNIVERSITIES

Many universities within the state of Mississippi have enacted policies regarding the use of tobacco on campus. Listed below are campus regulations set by the universities within the state of Mississippi regarding the use of tobacco:

DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY:

Effective on September 7, 2010, Delta State University prohibits the use of all tobacco products on its campus. This policy applies to all students, faculty, staff and visitors on Delta State University property or in its facilities.

<http://www.deltastate.edu/pages/2473.asp?manid={81775AC8-5346-4E8A-9802-D96D73CE050F}&id={42ECCFoB-A121-4B93-B83D-78E9AEB3F57C}>

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI:

Smoking is prohibited in and around all residence halls. Furthermore, the Reserved Officer Training Corps specifically prohibits use of all tobacco products in and around buildings and vehicles associated with the organization.

<http://www.usm.edu/ctp/evalandpubs.html>

JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY:

Jackson State University prohibits smoking in classrooms, auditoriums, lecture rooms, dining halls, residence halls,

gymnasias, or any other buildings on the campus. Any violation of this policy will result in University-regulated disciplinary action.

<http://www.jsums.edu/studentlife/o6BookProof.pdf>

MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

Mississippi State University restricts the use of all tobacco products, of any form, in all university facilities and vehicles owned or leased by the University. Smoking may only occur outside, away from enclosed areas, at a distance of at least 25 feet or more. Tobacco products will neither be sold on campus nor advertised in any campus publication.

<http://www.msstate.edu/dept/audit/91301.html>

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

The use of all tobacco products is limited to “Designated Tobacco-Use Areas,” largely found in parking lots and signified by a cigarette receptacle. Any area without a cigarette butt receptacle is an undesignated smoking area and those in violation will be disciplined in accordance to University procedures.

<https://secure4.olemiss.edu/umpolicyopen/ShowDetails.jsp?istatPara=1&policyObjidPara=11000427>

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