

GSA ALCOHOL POLICY

This policy grants GSA Clubs the privilege of serving alcohol at specific events. Members of the GSA must comply with all applicable state and federal laws, UB and GSA policies, and procedures.

This policy applies to all GSA-sponsored events, both on and off-campus. A “sponsored” event is one that is officially approved and may receive funding to support the event.

Requirements:

1. Clubs are prohibited from directly serving alcohol to event attendees.
2. Any alcoholic beverage served at an event must be served by a third-party vendor (i.e., a restaurant, caterer, or bar). Club members are not permitted to bring their own alcohol for personal consumption.
 - For example, clubs are not permitted to purchase beer at Wegman’s and serve it at club picnics. Clubs may not sponsor “BYOB” events or invite event attendees to bring alcohol to an event.
3. Open-bar events are not permitted. Each third-party vendor is prohibited from serving more than two drinks to any single guest.
4. If a Club wishes to serve alcohol at an on-campus event, the alcohol must be provided and served by Three Pillars Catering, the only entity registered to serve alcohol on-campus.
 - **Note:** Three Pillars Catering charges a \$65 liquor license fee to serve alcohol. They require at least 20 days of notice for any on-campus event serving alcohol. For more information, visit [Three Pillars Catering Guide](https://threepillarscatering.com/catering-guide). (<https://threepillarscatering.com/catering-guide>)
5. Each third-party vendor must ID guests attending the event to ensure alcoholic beverages are not served to persons under the legal drinking age (21).
6. Each third-party vendor is prohibited from serving any guest who shows signs of visible intoxication.
7. GSA Clubs must ensure that water is provided at all events where alcohol is served. The water must be free, constantly available, and easily accessible. Clubs are encouraged to provide other non-alcoholic beverages.