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**Student Affairs Policy  
RESPONSIBLE ACTION POLICY**

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President's Executive Cabinet

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**Purpose:**

The University expects that this policy will help decrease any hesitation students might feel to contact emergency assistance during a life-threatening or alcohol related illness, and will increase safety for students and the campus community.

**Policy:**

The University will take into consideration actions taken by students to obtain aid for a fellow student in the event of an emergency as a result of excessive alcohol consumption. A student coming to the aid of a fellow student will be considered during sanctioning as part of the judicial process should he/she demonstrate the following:

1. The only way law enforcement officers or University officials became aware of the person's violation of the Student Code of Conduct (a) is because the person placed a 911 call, or a call to campus safety, police or emergency services, in good faith, based on a reasonable belief and reported that another person was in need of immediate medical attention to prevent death or serious injury.
2. The person reasonably believed he was the first person to make a 911 call or a call to campus safety, police or emergency services, and report that a person needed immediate medical attention to prevent death or serious injury.
3. The person provided his own name to the 911 operator or equivalent campus safety, police or emergency officer.
4. The person remained with the person needing medical assistance until emergency health care providers arrived and the need for his presence had ended.