

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA at CHAPEL HILL
FEDEX GLOBAL EDUCATION CENTER
POLICY ON THE USE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Alcoholic beverages (including mixed drinks, beer, wine and champagne) may be served under terms and conditions consistent with the laws of the State of North Carolina and the policies of the University and of the FedEx Global Education Center (GEC) as they may be amended from time to time. Permission to serve such beverages must be obtained from and approved by the Events Coordinator of the GEC.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- Except for University holidays, no alcohol may be served on a weekday until after 5pm.
- It is a violation of North Carolina law to serve alcohol to anyone under 21 years of age. Any group planning a function that is likely to be attended by individuals under 21 is strongly discouraged from serving alcohol to anyone at the function. If the host group plans to serve alcohol at a function that will be attended by guests under the age of 21, the group must submit to the Events Coordinator of the GEC, as part of the approval process, a written explanation of the method by which it will determine which guests are over 21 and how it will assure that guests over 21 do not obtain alcohol for guests under 21. Such precautions might include:
 - A sign on the bar that says "Over 21 Only" and an instruction to the bartender to ask for proof of age whenever there is any doubt that an individual is 21.
 - Color-coded nametags or place cards for guests under 21 and instructions to the bartender and/or banquet staff as to the significance of the color coding.
 - Wrist bands required to be worn by all attendees under the age of 21.
 - Instructions to bartenders, banquet staff, and representatives of the host group who are in charge of the event to be alert to the possibility of guests over 21 obtaining alcohol for guests under 21 and to prevent this from occurring.

It is the host group's responsibility to be certain that individuals under the age of 21 not be served any alcohol.

- Any function at which alcoholic beverages are served must be an invitation-only private function hosted by individuals and must include a sufficient amount of non-alcoholic beverages and wholesome food (heavy hors d'oeuvres or dinner). There must be a professional or designated bartender or banquet staff, and no self-service of alcohol is permitted.
- If any type of alcoholic beverage is served at a reception or social that will be followed by a full meal, the reception or social is limited to one hour in length.
- Receptions or socials involving the serving of liquor or fortified wine (more than 14% alcohol by volume i.e., brandies and liqueurs) must be followed by a full meal.
- Receptions not followed by a full meal are limited to the serving of beer and unfortified wine (less than 14% alcohol by volume) and are limited to two hours in length. Note: most red and white dinner wines fall into the unfortified wine category.
- Alcohol may not be served at fundraising events.
- Alcohol may be served only at University-sponsored events. The GEC is not available for private parties.
- Alcoholic beverages must never leave the Global Education Center premises, except when transporting the remaining unopened containers from the building at the completion of the event. Alcohol may not be served outside the GEC building.
- Cash bars are prohibited, and "cover charges" for attendance at an event where alcohol is "given away" are also prohibited.
- All alcoholic beverages must be provided by the user group, except in cases where the caterer has a permit that allows the caterer to provide such beverages as requested by the user group. There are no storage facilities for alcohol at the GEC. Consequently, the user group must bring the alcohol immediately before its event and remove it immediately after the event ends.