

ULIP SU Alcohol & Drugs Policy

Our Alcohol Policy

- Consumption of alcohol is never a necessity at ULIP events. You don't need beer or wine to have a good time, non-alcoholic options are always available!
- All events where the SU provides alcohol will have water and snacks available for anyone who feels they need to soak up alcohol or take some time to recover; where possible a quiet room, away from the music and/or alcohol, will also be provided with a similar goal.
- As well as this, moderation is stressed as being of the utmost importance. Know your limits!
- Our lovely Welfare officers and the rest of our SU team are always on-hand for a chat during our office hours or on social media, especially discussions regarding attitudes towards alcohol and any constructive criticism surrounding our policy. SU policy is cooperatively, consensually, and democratically built in collaboration with our entire student body through frequent consultation and dialogue.
- Most members of the SU, including most of the team that will be in attendance during SU events (such as during Freshers' Week, the End of Year Ball but also including Society-organised events), are trained in French government-approved First Aid response. A full list of members who have completed this qualification will be publicly available displayed on the SU office window and will be sent out before major events.

Our Drugs Policy

- In accordance with both British and French law, as well as QMUL guidance, ULIP maintains a strict zero-tolerance policy on the use of illegal narcotics.
- Anyone known to be in possession of the abovementioned substances, or else is known to have consumed them during any SU event, will promptly be removed from the event.
- The SU reserves the right to prohibit any attendees found in possession of, or consuming, narcotics during an event from attending any future events run by the SU.

Related Advice

- We do not recommend attendees drinking excessively prior to SU events, nor drinking on an empty stomach.
- If this is your first time living in France, be sure to familiarise yourself with French emergency response numbers: 15 for Ambulance (SAMU – Le Service d'Aide Médical Urgent); 17 for the Police; 18 for the Fire department/paramedics (Les pompiers); 114 for the Emergency number for deaf or hard of hearing people; 112 for the European Emergency Number.
- Resources such as Nightline, the ICS (International Counselling Service), as well as members of both the SU and ULIP staff such as our Student Services, can be a tremendous help.