

Binghamton University
Tobacco Free Campus Initiative

Timeline for Approval of Policy

What is the legislative history related to Tobacco-Free SUNY legislation?

2012

Binghamton University's Timeline and History



May 13, 2016

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[A message about the Tobacco-Free Campus policy](#)

One of Binghamton University's goals is to be a healthy campus that fosters health/wellness, safety and sustainability, and provides a productive environment for all students, faculty and staff, as well as vendors, volunteers and visitors to campus.

To help encourage this culture, two broad-based committees have been working to develop a tobacco-free policy to be implemented for Binghamton University. A draft policy was released to the campus in April for comment. Many students, faculty and staff provided comments which reflected both sides of the issue. The committees have reviewed and considered all the comments and have made a recommendation to the senior officers group to implement the policy. On Tuesday, May 10, 2016, the senior officers group approved this policy, which will be effective **August 1, 2017**.

We understand that our move to become tobacco-free is a sensitive and difficult one for some. Know that, as Binghamton University becomes a tobacco-free campus, we will do all we can to support those who use tobacco products to eliminate their dependence on them, if they so desire. This includes making smoking cessation programming and non-prescription smoking cessation devices (patches, gum, lozenges, etc.) available to faculty, staff, students and our auxiliary services partners' employees.

Over the next year, as we all prepare for the transition to a tobacco-free campus, we will continue to provide information and educate the campus and visitors about the policy and its impact. [Visit our Tobacco-Free Campus webpage](#) that includes the new policy, FAQ's and other resource material. Continue to check this website over the next year as it will be updated with new resources as they become available. [Questions or issues can be addressed via e-mail](#) and we will respond to you in a timely manner.

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