

## **UC SANTA BARBARA POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

### **Advisory - Drawings, Gambling, Lotteries, and Raffles**

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### **DRAWINGS, GAMBLING, LOTTERIES, and RAFFLES ON CAMPUS OR WITHIN UNIVERSITY MANAGED FACILITIES OR AT UNIVERSITY AFFILIATED EVENTS**

#### **Gambling**

The University of California, at this time, does not have a policy on gambling other than we are to abide by the California Penal Code 330-337. The Code prohibits the dealing, playing, conducting, or betting on games involving cards, dice and other devices for money, checks, credit or other representations of value. It also prohibits the providing of facilities for that activity. In addition, the County of Santa Barbara prohibits anyone from operating or engaging in the business of operating card games or card tables for hire for a consideration (SB County Ordinance No. 1077 § 1501).

Therefore, on campus or within university managed facilities or at university affiliated events, gambling of any kind, as defined by the Code and as restricted by the County ordinance, is prohibited.

However, hosting an event on campus, such as a "Monte Carlo Night" in which card games like Texas Hold'em are played, may be permissible provided the Code and County Ordinance is not violated. For instance, the event would have to be open to all members of the campus community, except those under the age of 18 (those under 18 could not be permitted to enter). No entrance or advance registration fee could be charged, unless this fee is to cover the costs of other aspects of the event unaffiliated with the game(s). Scrip or chips must be used for play; no money can be used. Scrip must be distributed without cost and with no connection to any voluntary donation.

Any student organization that wishes to hold this type of activity must obtain prior written permission from the Office of Student Life. All other requests are to be reviewed by the Office of the Vice Chancellor, Administrative Services. The sponsoring organization must comply with all provisions of applicable policies, as well as state and federal laws concerning gaming. Additional information on gaming is detailed in sections 330 through 337(s) of the California Penal Code.

#### **Lotteries**

On a related topic, please be reminded that the California Penal Code also forbids lotteries, raffles, drawings, and gift enterprises that are schemes to dispose of or distribute property by chance among persons who have paid to be considered. It is a misdemeanor, not only to sell lottery tickets but also to print, advertise, publish, manage, draw, or provide offices for lotteries. Therefore, there shall be no sale of California or other lottery tickets on campus or within university managed facilities or at university affiliated events.

#### **Free Drawings or Raffles**

A drawing or raffle may be conducted if entries or tickets are available at no cost to participants. A department may recommend or suggest a donation; however an individual must not be required to make a purchase or contribution or pay a fee to 1) enter a drawing or 2) obtain a raffle ticket. Off-campus groups and organizations using our facilities are also subject to these regulations.