Alcohol and Other Drug Use at UNC

UNC frequently administers the Core survey[1] to undergraduate students. The Core Survey measures students’ perceptions and behaviors regarding the use of alcohol and other drugs.

According to the October 2014 Core Survey, we know that:

- Almost 35% of UNC students **did NOT drink** in the last 30 days.
- 70.1% of students **refused a drink** in the last month.
- Only 19.8% of students report using marijuana in the last 30 days.
- For students who do choose to drink, the average number of drinks consumed per week is 4 or less, which is less than the national average!

Despite this positive information, we do know that alcohol and other drug use can cause many problems that impact a student’s safety, relationships, finances, legal standing and surrounding community.

Here are some not so happy statistics:

- 25.2% of UNC students reported some form of **public misconduct** (such as trouble with the police, vandalism, fighting/argument, etc.) at least once during the past year as a result of drinking or drug use.
- Over 17.4% of students report some kind of serious **personal problems** (such as suicidality, being hurt or injured, trying unsuccessfully to stop using, sexual assault, etc.) at least once during the past year as a result of drinking or drug use.
- 81.8% heard someone else brag about alcohol or other drug use.

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