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Pratt Institute Senior Staff created a 12-member campus community committee to evaluate and make recommendations regarding the smoking policy. The goal of the policy is to provide a healthy, smoke-free environment at the Institute. The committee examined current policy and conducted research to get additional information from the Pratt community. In spring 2016 faculty, staff, and students of Pratt Institute were invited to take an online survey to help formulate the best smoking/tobacco policy for the campus. The responses were very helpful in determining priorities and taken into account in the formulation of the policy. Smoking policies from other campuses from around the country were also evaluated. To fit the best interest of the health of the entire Pratt community as well as the environment the Institute has adopted a smoke- and tobacco-free policy on campus that is scheduled to take effect at the start of the fall 2017 semester:

## SMOKE- AND TOBACCO-FREE POLICY

Pratt Institute prohibits the use of all smoke, vape, and tobacco products on campus. This includes all Pratt buildings, grounds, vehicles (including inside personal vehicles parked on the grounds), and in front of or around campus entrances.

Over the course of this semester, information about the policy will be made available and programming will be scheduled to help inform all of the Pratt community members.

The policy will also be posted on the Pratt website in the Health and Counseling section. There will be resources for students and employees. There will also be an FAQ on the website that should provide a better understanding of the policy. Those with questions or requests for more information about the new policy may contact: Walter Rickard, Director of Athletics and Recreation, at wrickard@pratt.edu.

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