How to Build a Criminal Record!

After that headline, we need a disclaimer. Obviously, those of us at the GRB don’t want you arrested. Jail is not a happy place and fines are not cheap. Moreover, neither the dean, your chapter officers, parents, judges, nor the police will be pleased. But, just in case you want to anger those folks—and endanger yourself and others—here is a six-pack of tips to help you spend a night (or more) in jail for booze.

Drink Too Much
It’s not just a health risk, it can be a crime too. Most cops are nice enough to take you by the ER on the way to jail—double the trouble.

Drink in Public
This is a quick way to draw unwanted attention. Not only could you violate public intoxication laws, you can violate city ordinances against

Be a Jerk
Alabama’s public intoxication laws include “boisterous and offensive conduct [that] annoys another person.” Being a jerk while drinking—especially to the police—can help speed your trip to jail.

Drink While Underage
“Everybody does it” is not a defense in court. An illegal (fake) ID will make the charges even worse.

Drink and Drive
Any activity that has national organizations to oppose it, is a sure fire path to trouble. Maybe it’s even a way to get yourself or someone else injured or killed.

Ignore These Resources
UA – [Student Health Center](#)
UAB – [Student Engagement](#)
UAH – [Charger Choices](#)