

Internal Governing Policies

#165 - Animals

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Dogs, cats and other pets are permitted on University premises only under the following conditions:

1. Service animals for people with disabilities. Service animals are animals that are individually trained to perform tasks for people with disabilities such as guiding people who are blind, alerting people who are deaf, pulling wheelchairs, alerting and protecting a person who is having a seizure, or performing other special tasks. Service animals are working animals, not pets.
2. Dogs, other than service animals, are permitted only if they are leashed and under the direct control of an individual. They must display tags indicating that they are properly licensed and that they have had a current rabies shot. Dogs which are unleashed, unattended, or not properly tagged will be impounded if found on University premises.
3. Cats and other pets are permitted on University premises only when they are under the direct control of an individual.
4. Any animal exhibiting aggressive or threatening behavior will be removed from campus.

Animals are permitted in University buildings only under the following conditions:

1. Laboratory animals used for research, observation or demonstration purposes are permitted. These animals are the direct responsibility of the person in charge of the project for which they are being used.
2. Service animals for people with disabilities.
3. Trained therapy animals are permitted in the Counseling Center as allowed by the Director of the Counseling Center.

Animals are not permitted in University Apartments or residence halls with the exception of service animals.

Public Health laws prohibit all animals with the exception of service animals in public food service areas.