Animals on Campus

In consideration of personal safety, as well as sanitation, privately owned animals are not permitted on campus. Only in the following cases are animals allowed:

- · Service animals.
- Animals that are brought on campus for a specifically authorized and approved animal show, contest, or other event approved by the college.

Baseball/Softball Games

- Animals may be brought to the baseball and softball fields by those individuals who are attending the game.
- Animals may be present for one hour prior to the game and one hour after the end of the game.
- Animals must be on a leash and under the control of the owner at all times.
- Animals must not cause a disruption to the game or disturb other attendees.
- · Owners must clean-up after their animal in a sanitary manner.

Persons violating this policy may be requested to leave campus with their animal immediately. (Policy 8.08)

Service Animal

A service animal is defined as any dog or miniature horse individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. The work or tasks performed by a service animal must be directly related to the handler's disability. Examples of work or tasks include, but are not limited to assisting individuals who are blind or have low vision with navigation and other tasks, alerting individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing to the presence of people or sounds, providing non-violent protection or rescue work, pulling a wheelchair, assisting an individual during a seizure, alerting individuals to the presence of allergens, retrieving items such as medicine or the telephone, providing physical support and assistance with balance and stability to individuals with mobility disabilities, and helping persons with psychiatric and neurological disabilities by preventing or interrupting impulsive or destructive behaviors. If an animal meets this definition, it is considered a service animal for purposes of this regulation even if it has not been licensed or certified by a state or local government or by a private agency. Special consideration will be given to determine whether reasonable accommodations in policies, practices, or procedures can be made to allow a miniature horse that serves as a service animal into a specific facility.

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with disabilities may use service animals in any public area unless doing so would pose a danger to the health and safety of others or cause undue burden. Individuals with disabilities who use a service animal on campus are required to register with the accessibility services coordinator in Students Services. If the accessibility services coordinator is not available, the individual should register with campus security. (Procedure 8.08.01)