

## **University of the Pacific Animal Policy (Effective January 1, 2012)**

In order to prevent injury, potential liability and damage to facilities, non-human animals (dogs, cats, birds, other pets etc.) are not permitted inside any University buildings except for animals that are specifically exempted by this policy. Specifically, non-human, non-exempt animals are prohibited from being in offices, classrooms, hallways, and all other areas in any academic, administrative or residential building.

Domesticated pets are permitted outside on campus grounds when leashed and properly attended at all times. The individual with the animal takes full responsibility for the needs and behavior of the animal. *Animal waste must be picked up and disposed of properly.*

### Exempted Animals

Non-human animals regulated by Federal or State Agencies and service or assistive animals, per California Department of Fair Employment & Housing, are permitted in University buildings while they are performing specifically trained tasks for the individual they accompany.

A service animal is an animal specially trained to perform one or more specific functions or activities of daily living for an individual with a documented disability. A service animal is one that either provides direct service/assistance to a member of the University or is in training. Normally training of service animals is for a defined period of time prior to the animal being relocated with an individual with a documented disability. Service animals include guide dogs for those with visual or hearing impairments, or service dogs to perform tasks for the mobility-impaired (i.e. pulling a wheelchair or fetching dropped items). Any animal being used as a service animal inside any University building should wear a harness or other identifying device to identify it as a service animal.

Service animals may enter any building or classroom with the person they accompany. The individual with the service animal takes full responsibility for the needs and behavior of the animal. Animal waste must be picked up and disposed of properly.

### Exempted Buildings

The President's residence on the Stockton Campus and the Dean's residence on the Sacramento Campus are exempt from this policy.

Tropical, nonpoisonous fish in residential buildings, kept in a tank no larger than 5 gallons, as described in Tiger Lore Pet/Animal Policy #44.5.13, are exempt from this policy.

### Reporting

To report a violation of this policy or a problem with an animal on campus, such as an unattended animal, contact Public Safety at 916.739.7200.

Failure to Comply Failure to comply with this policy will be subject to a \$100 fine per occurrence. A repeat violation will be subject to a \$100 fine and removal of the animal/s from campus and may result in disciplinary action against the owner or keeper.