

Policy 8.14

Respect for Open Expression Policy

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Overview

n/a

Applicability

n/a

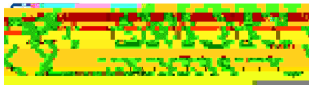
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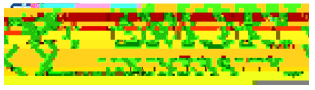
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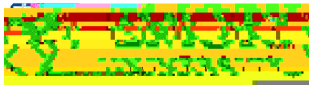
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, mor& 6ni"ersit& also affirms "alues of di"ersit&, inclusion, and communit&! / 1e 6ni"ersit& Communit& is di"erse 00 in race, et1nicit&, gender, se-ua1 orientation, bac(ground, age, religion, abilities, life e-periences, politica1 ideologies, ideas of t1oug1t, and in man& ot1er #a&s! / 1e actions of eac1 member 1a"e an impact upon t1e culture of inclusion

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8.14.+ *ommunity Responsi ilities

, mor& 6ni"ersit& respects t1e Constitutional rig1ts of free speec1 and assemb&! \$s suc1, t1e on& responsibilities outlined in t1is section t1at limit t1e free e-ercise t1ereof 1a"e been done in a #a& to ensure ma-imum open e-pression and narro#& tailoring e-ceptions to specific safet& or communit& concerns!

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, ac1 member of t1e Communit& is e-pected to (no# and fo%o# t1is Polic&! \$ person #1o "io!ates t1ese standards or ot1er policies of t1e 6ni"ersit& in t1e course of open e-pression ma& be 1e!d accountable for t1at conduct! \$n& member of t1e Communit& #1o is in doubt as to t1e propriet& of planned conduct ma& see(guidance from t1e Committee for Open , -pression in ad"ance of t1e , "ent!

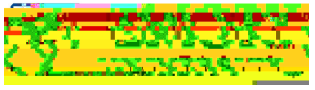
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, -pression t1at communicates a "ie#point, regardless of form, is protected as long as it does not "io!ate t1e guidelines of t1is Polic&! /1is includes protest, dissent, and an& ot1er communicati"e acti"it&, #1et1er or not it occurs in t1e conte-t of a 4eeting or , "ent!

/1e rig1t to Dissent is t1e complement of t1e rig1t to spea(, but t1ese rig1ts ma& conflict at certain times! /1e 6ni"ersit& promotes simultaneous, but not disrupti"e, Dissent! \$s suc1, during a sc1eduled , "ent or 4eeting, a spea(er is entitled to communicate a message to an audience during an allotted time, and t1e audience is entitled to hear t1e message and see t1e spea(er during t1at time! \$ dissenter must not substantia%% interfere #it1 t1e spea(er's abilit& to communicate or t1e audience's abilit& to hear, see, or =uestion t1e spea(er! Protests outside of a 4eeting, , "ent, or anot1er Protest s1a%% not impede access to t1e 4eeting, , "ent, or Protest nor substantia%% interfere #it1 t1e communication inside!

8!1+!2!3 Standards for Sc1eduling 4eetings, Protests, and , "ents for bot1 ndoor and Outdoor Locations

t is t1e polic& of t1e 6ni"ersit& to protect "oluntar& assemb& and to ma(e its facilities a"ailable for assemb&! /1e



- d) Outdoor and indoor locations shall be free flow of traffic, but vehicular and pedestrian, is unreasonable and impeded when entrances or exits to private offices, classrooms, and meeting spaces are blocked or when undue health and safety risks are created!
- e) Hospitals, clinics, and surrounding green space or grounds including, but not limited to, sidewalks, access roads, parking areas, etc., the facilities of health care services providers, emergency facilities, communication systems, utilities, or other facilities or services vital to the continued functioning of the University!

8.1.2.7 Protests in Spaces that have not been reserved

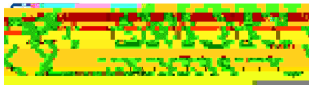
The full support and acknowledgment as a Community that sometimes impromptu, expression, Dissent, and Protest are pivotal to achieve the principles of this Policy! Not having a reservation is not sufficient reason for terminating an Protest unless the impromptu Protest unreasonably interferes with prior scheduled meetings, events, or essential operations of the University! Community members serving as Open Expression Observers shall ensure impromptu expression, Dissent, or Protest continues until it should otherwise be relocated to allow for prior scheduled activities! Do encourage such impromptu Dissent, the Open Expression Observers shall demonstrate this affirmative commitment by allowing them to identify space where the expression, Protest, or Dissent can be continued should the space being used interfere with other scheduled meetings, events, or essential operations!

Generally outdoor public areas of the institution, even those that have reservation procedures, should be available for impromptu expression, Protest, and Dissent unless it otherwise violates this policy! Requirements to reserve space should not be unreasonable in terms of time frame, requirements, or costs to the group wishing to host the event! No group or organization should be denied use of a space on campus because of the content of the meeting, event, or Protest, unless such content would otherwise violate the responsibilities set forth in 8.1.2.2 of this Policy!

8.1.2.8 Nonpersonal expression such as fliers, signs, displays, etc!

For purposes of nonpersonal expression such as fliers, chanting, signs, and displays, persons expressing themselves should follow all applicable flier posting policies and banner reservation rules! However, these requirements should not be unreasonable in terms of access, time frame, requirements, or costs to the group! No

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