Warner Pacific University

No Pets Allowed on Campus

No pets are permitted on Warner Pacific University (WPU) campuses. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA) and/or Fair Housing Act, some assistance animals may be permitted on campus as an approved accommodation for a disability with Accessibility Services. Student handlers of service animals, or owners of emotional support animals (ESA) for campus housing exclusively, shall provide proof of current county animal licensing, animal vaccination records, and other appropriate up-to-date medical documentation, to be approved for an accommodation by Accessibility Services. Approved ESAs are not permitted on campus premises beyond the student's designated housing.

Buildings with general public access on campus will permit well-behaved service dogs that are housebroken and trained to perform specific tasks for the disabled handler. If the trained service dog is not registered with Accessibility Services, please retain copies of the up-to-date county animal license and vaccination record for verification if requested by Campus Safety, which can be reached at 503.250.1730 or 503.517.2127.

Potential reasons a service dog may be excluded from a campus building:

- not being housebroken
- acting aggressively or violently
- persistently barking, whining, or growling
- not being well-mannered or not being under the control of the handler
- getting onto furniture or wandering around without performing a task
- lacking proof of being licensed with the county or currently vaccinated

Handlers of service dogs are responsible for cleaning up after their dog, maintaining control over the dog, and being careful that others are not overly disrupted by the actions of the dog, unless the dog is performing the task for which it was trained on behalf of the handler. Handlers may be billed for any subsequent waste disposal, clean-up, repair of property damage, or other damages caused by the service dog.

Service dog handlers, if it is not apparent that your dog is trained to perform a specific task, you may be asked if the animal is needed as the result of a disability and what tasks the animal is trained to perform. You may not be asked about your disability or to have the dog demonstrate the task(s) it has been trained to perform.

Some obvious service tasks are guide dogs for vision impairment, mobility assistance dogs for individuals using wheelchairs, sound alert dogs for hearing impairment, or behavior modification dogs for individuals with Autism. Some of the more subtle service tasks are alert dogs for PTSD, seizure, or severe medical conditions, which alert the handler when their condition is becoming unstable or dangerous for the handler. These subtle assistance tasks are not obvious and the handler may be asked to explain the assistive nature of the dog, if approached by staff.

Report Inappropriate Service Dog Activity

Warner Pacific University staff may promptly call Campus Safety at 503.250.1730 (cell) or 503.517.2127 if they are concerned about a dog's inappropriate behavior in a building or on campus. If a Campus Safety Officer asks the handler to remove the dog from the premises, the dog may not be tethered outside of campus buildings. The individual will be permitted to return to complete any business/academic activities after removing the dog from the campus premises.

Contact Accessibility Services at accessibility@warnerpacific.edu if you have questions.

Resources:

Americans with Disabilities Act Amendment Act (ADAAA), Title II and Title III.

Fair Housing Act (FHA), FHEO-2013-01.

Multnomah County Code, Animal Services 13.100 et seq.

State of Oregon Code, ORS 659A et seq.

WPU Employee Handbook, section on "Pets on Campus"

WPU The Squire Student Handbook, section on "Pets"