WAC 516-35-005 General policy and purpose. The university believes that freedom of expression and assembly are indispensable qualities of university life, and that active participation in political and social expression both enhances the education of the individual and contributes to the betterment of society. The university is committed to respecting and promoting the rights afforded by the constitutions of the United States and the state of Washington, including the right to free speech, petition, and to peaceably assemble.

University property is intended for use by students, faculty, and staff in support of the university's mission of teaching, research, and public service. Individuals, groups, or organizations may use university property in accordance with university rules and regulations.

To achieve the objectives of this chapter, it is essential that free expression be accomplished in a manner that allows for the orderly function of normal university operations. Thus, the purpose of the time, place, and manner regulations set forth in this chapter are to:

(1) Promote opportunities for exercise of the rights protected by the constitutions of the United States and the state of Washington on the university campus.

(2) Ensure that these activities do not interfere with the furtherance of the university's mission-related responsibilities for which the university's property is dedicated by the state of Washington.

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