

**WAC 516-36-008 Definitions.** As used in this chapter, the following words and phrases mean:

(1) **Business day.** Any day, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays), during which university offices are open.

(2) **Freedom of expression and assembly.** Any activity protected by the first amendment to the Constitution of the United States and Article I, sections 4 and 5 of the Washington state Constitution. Such activities may include, but are not limited to, informational picketing, petition circulation, distribution of information leaflets or pamphlets, speechmaking, demonstrations, rallies, noncontracted appearances of speakers, protests, meetings to display group feelings or sentiments, and other types of constitutionally protected assemblies to share information, perspective, or viewpoints.

(3) **Limited public forum areas.** Areas of campus available as spaces for freedom of expression and peaceable assembly as protected by the Constitution of the United States and the Washington state Constitution, subject to reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions. The use of limited public forum areas for freedom of expression and peaceable assembly activities is governed by chapter 516-35 WAC except for those activities identified in that chapter that require reservations. Limited public forum areas are identified in WAC 516-35-001. Limited public forum areas do not include property such as:

(a) Classrooms or academic buildings utilized for scheduled educational programming with the exception that nothing herein shall be read to interfere between or with the academic freedom of the instructor and enrolled students to engage in educational programs;

(b) Reservable or scheduled property subject to the provisions of this chapter;

(c) Private administrative or academic offices;

(d) Lavatory or maintenance facilities;

(e) Roadways or sidewalks necessary to permit the free flow of pedestrian, vehicular, emergency responder, or maintenance traffic; or

(f) Any other university property, on a case-by-case basis, where the reasonable application of time, place, and manner restrictions render the location inappropriate for expressive activities.

(4) **Nonuniversity group or individual.** An individual or a collection of individuals who do not have a formal relationship with the university. The term also includes members of these groups who are individually affiliated with the university who desire to use university property for personal, private, or nonuniversity group related activities.

(5) **Space administrator.** A university employee, appointed by the president, or the president's designee, who has the authority and responsibility for a designated subset of university property to create and enforce policies and procedures for space use, delegate space approval authority, and are responsible for university space being used in accordance with this chapter, chapter 516-35 WAC, and the university mission.

(6) **Space approval authority.** A university employee who has the authority, consistent with these regulations and approved campus policies and procedures, to review, approve, amend, or deny requests for rental or use of university property.

(a) The university shall maintain a list of the approving authorities.

(b) Requests for approval to lease space shall be governed by chapter 516-34 WAC.

(7) **Time, place, and manner.** Reasonable limitations on the exercise of expressive rights that are neutral as to the content of expression and leave open alternative channels of expression.

(8) **University.** Western Washington University.

(9) **University affiliate.** An entity that has a formal relationship with the university and also encompasses such entity's officers, agents, and employees. The term includes, but is not limited to, the office of the attorney general, contracted agencies, and 501 (c)(3) organizations with formal relationships to the university.

(10) **University group or individual.** An individual or collection of individuals that has a formal relationship with the university, such as a recognized employee group of the university, a recognized student group or organization, or an individual acting on behalf of the group or organization as well as an individual who is a currently enrolled student or current employee.

(11) **University property.** All buildings, grounds, or assets owned or controlled by the university and the streets, sidewalks, plazas, parking lots, and roadways within the boundaries of property owned or controlled by the university.

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