Introduction

The purpose of this policy is to provide a set of reasonable guidelines for acceptable practices with respect to pets on the UCR campus, and to clarify the obligations of pet owners. It shall not be construed to abridge or supersede any rights or responsibilities with any applicable laws or regulations.

This policy applies to all UCR facilities and property with the exception of those operated by Housing; Housing maintains its own Pet Policy.

Pets are defined as any animal not used for research purposes or service assistance animals accompanied by disabled person or authorized guide dog or service dog trainer.

Any injury to a member of the UCR community or damages to UCR property by a pet will be the responsibility of the pet’s owner. Damages may be assessed to the department if policy is not enforced.

Policy

Inside

1. Pets are not permitted inside buildings.
   a. Exceptions to this include police dogs and guide, signal, and service pets used by disabled persons (as defined by California Civil Code § 54.1), and in accordance with the California Health and Safety Code.

Outside

1. Dogs must be restrained by a leash and accompanied by their owner at all times while on the UCR campus.
2. All pets must meet applicable regulatory requirements for vaccinations, licensing, etc.
3. Pet owners are responsible and liable for their pets at all times while the pet is on the UCR campus.
   a. Any injury to a member of the UCR community or damages to UCR property by a pet will be the responsibility of the pet’s owner.
   b. Pet owners must prevent their pet from disrupting any function or event on the UCR campus
4. Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up after their pets.
5. No pets shall be left in cars for any length of time that poses a hazard to the welfare of the animal or nuisance to the community.

6. Pets that pose an immediate threat to the safety of the UCR community are not allowed on campus; no one is allowed to bring sick, vicious, or otherwise dangerous pets, including animals with a history of biting people, to the UCR campus.

Implementation

It is the responsibility of Chairs/Directors/Business Officers/Executive Officers to communicate this policy to everyone in their departments.

The Deans of each college are responsible to ensure that each director or department head is familiar with the campus policy.

Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of Chairs/Directors/Business Officers/Executive Officers to enforce this policy within their departments.

The Deans of each college are responsible to ensure that each director or department head complies with campus policy.