

WAC 495A-140-020 Facility use aligns with college mission. (1)

When allocating use of college facilities, the highest priority is always given to activities specifically related to the college's mission. No arrangements will be made that may interfere with or operate to the detriment of the college's own teaching, research, or public service programs. In particular, college buildings, properties, and facilities including those assigned to student programs are used primarily for:

(a) The regularly established teaching, research, or public service activities of the college and its departments;

(b) Cultural, educational, or recreational activities of the students, faculty, or staff;

(c) Short courses, conferences, seminars, or similar events, conducted either in the public service or for the advancement of specific departmental professional interests when arranged under the sponsorship of the college or its departments;

(d) Public events of a cultural or professional nature brought to the campus at the request of college departments or committees, official sponsorship, and active participation; or

(e) Activities or programs sponsored by educational institutions, by state or federal agencies, by charitable agencies, civic groups, or community organizations whose activities are of widespread public service and of a character appropriate to the college.

(2) College facilities shall be assigned to student organizations for regular business meetings, social functions and for programs open to the public. Any recognized campus student organization may invite speakers from outside the college community to speak on campus subject to the availability of facilities and compliance with college policies and procedures. The appearance of an invited speaker on campus does not represent an endorsement by the college, its students, faculty, administration, or the board of trustees, implicitly or explicitly, of the speaker's views.

(3) Recognized student organizations have the right to invite outside speakers to speak on campus subject to the availability of campus facilities, funding, and compliance with college policies and procedures.

(4) Reasonable conditions may be imposed to regulate the timeliness of requests, to determine the appropriateness of space assigned, time of use, and to insure the proper maintenance of the facilities. Subject to the same limitations, college facilities shall be made available for assignment to individuals or groups within the college community. Arrangements by both organizations and individuals must be made through the designated administrative officer. Allocation of space shall be made in accordance with college rules and on the basis of time, space, priority of request and the demonstrated needs of the applicant.

(5) The college may restrict an individual's or a group's use of college facilities if that person or group has, in the past, physically abused college facilities. Charges may be imposed for damage or for any unusual costs for the use of facilities. The individual, group or organization requesting space will be required to state in advance the general purpose of any meeting.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.50.140 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 19-20-048, § 495A-140-020, filed 9/25/19, effective 10/26/19. Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.10.140, 42.30.075, chapter 34.05 RCW and 1991 c 238. WSR 92-12-017, § 495A-140-020, filed 5/26/92, effective 6/26/92.]