

Ferris State University

BUSINESS POLICY

TO: All Members of the University Community

2011:03

DATE: October 2010

Animals in University Facilities (Supersedes 2008:03)

I. Purpose

In order to protect those staff and students who may have allergies or fears which could interfere with that person's ability to work or study, the following policy will apply when an animal or pet is brought on the property of the University. (This policy does not apply to registered service animals brought to campus to provide assistance to persons with disabilities. See also Service Animal Policy under the Disability Services Forms.)

II. Policy

- a. Only animals involved in educational, official University activities or research purposes are allowed in University facilities.
- b. Registered service animals shall be allowed access to all University facilities.
- c. Animals may be housed on campus in properly constructed and operated facilities for educational or research purposes after receiving the approval of such facilities by the Vice President of Administration and Finance, University Veterinarian, and IACUC. (IACUC - Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee) See Animal Care and Use Policy (Academic Affairs).
- d. Fish may be allowed by the facility manager; however, tanks should not exceed 30 gallons in total capacity.
- e. Individuals who bring unauthorized animals in University facilities will be asked to remove them.
- f. Repeated violators may be subject to the disciplinary procedures outlined in the Student Code of Conduct, or applicable employment rules.

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