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## 6.9 PETS ON CAMPUS

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### ENABLING LEGISLATION + LINKED POLICIES

*Occupational Health + Safety*  
*BC Human Rights Act*

### OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this policy is to regulate the presence of pets on the Emily Carr University of Art + Design (University) campus property as not to create a health hazard, become a threat, nuisance, or significant distraction to others or activities on campus. Some community members' health may be compromised due to allergies, feel discomfort in the presence of pets, and despite owner precautions, there is a possibility of injury to community members.

### SCOPE

This policy applies to all community members including staff, faculty, students, visitors and contractors. Exceptions to this policy may be approved by the Executive Committee under extraordinary circumstances, and within the intent of the policy.

### POLICY

Pets are not permitted in any university building, with the exception of service animals. The University reserves the right to have any unattended pet removed from campus by City of Vancouver Animal Control. The University reserves the right to ask anyone who brings a pet into a University building to leave.

Exceptions may apply to fish kept in aquariums less than 5 gallons.

### DEFINITIONS

Pet: Domesticated animal for companionship.

Service animal: Provides a vital service to persons with disabilities or who require assistance due to medical condition, and is trained by a recognized school for service. These animals are permitted on campus.