

**Claremont Graduate University**  
**Policy # 3b**

**PETS IN WORKING AREAS**

Claremont Graduate University prohibits pets from university-controlled buildings, except for service animals as defined by this Policy. Moreover, while on university-controlled property, all animals must be attended and restrained at all times (and owners must properly dispose of all waste).

Pets, both running free and brought to campus, pose a significant liability risk to the university and its community members. Pets can pose a threat to the health and safety of the campus community, as well as to a healthful educational environment (through allergy, excessive noise, animal bites, and disease transmission via fleas, ticks, parasites, viruses, bacteria, etc.). Individuals with disabilities are at particular risk. For instance, dogs running freely pose a particular hazard to individuals using service animals. Pets on campus can be very destructive, causing damage to grounds, buildings, and property.

This Policy applies to all university-controlled grounds and spaces. This includes, but is not limited to, residence halls, cooperative and other small living units, academic buildings, administrative offices, outdoor spaces on campus, and off-campus locations.

For purposes of this Policy:

“Attended and Restrained” is defined as being in the immediate vicinity of an owner, and either on a leash of six feet or shorter, in a cage, or, in the case of a certified Service Animal, voice-controlled. To be considered attended, an animal may not be left fastened to a stationary object.

“Service Animal” is defined as being a guide dog, signal dog, or other animal individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including, but not limited to, guiding individuals with impaired vision, alerting individuals with impaired hearing to intruders or sounds, providing minimal protection or rescue work, pulling a wheelchair, or fetching dropped items.

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