

Service Animals on Campus: Quick Facts



- ✓ We ask our campus community to join us in respecting the rights of those who use service animals.
- ✓ A service animal is a dog that is trained to do work or perform a task for a person with a disability.
- ✓ A service dog is not required to wear a vest, special harness or tag that identifies it as a service animal.
- ✓ Service dogs are working animals so it is important to avoid distracting them by petting or talking to them.
- ✓ The presence of a service dog should not be considered an invitation to ask questions about the person's disability.

FACULTY AND STAFF: If it is not obvious, and you want to confirm that a dog is a service animal, you may ask the following two questions:

- 1) Is the dog required because of a disability?
- 2) What work or task has the dog been trained to perform?

If the dog is well behaved and under the control of its handler, you may also accept the dog's presence without asking the above questions. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to the office of Learning Resources for clarification or assistance.

NOTE: Although service animals are defined as dogs, entities covered by the ADA must also modify their policies to permit miniature horses where reasonable as a provision under the ADA. For additional information, contact the office of Learning Resources or view the UNCSA Animal on Campus - Policy 103. <https://www.uncsa.edu/mya/policy-manual/100-administration-and-operations/103-animals-on-campus.aspx>

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