

3. Policy

3.1 Parades, demonstrations, and rallies must comply with these rules and university policy and must not:

- a. Result in a breach of peace or violation of any law.
- b. Interfere with the free and unrestricted flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic on campus or the entry or the exit to any university building, structure, or facility.
- c. Materially disrupt or interfere with normal activities of the university.

3.2 Demonstrations, Publications, Posters. Reasonable and nondiscriminatory Rules and Regulations as to time, place, and manner may be promulgated by the president or a designee of the component to authorize students, faculty, staff, and their registered component organizations to petition, distribute publications, post signs, set up booths and/or peacefully demonstrate on the component campus. Such regulation shall prohibit any activity that would interfere with academic or component programs.

3.21 No group or person, whether or not a student or employee, shall publicly display, distribute, or disseminate on the component campus any petition, handbill, or piece of literature, work, or material that is obscene, vulgar, or libelous, or that advocates the deliberate violation of any federal, state, or local law. Literature may not be distributed where the manner or form of said distribution constitutes disorderly conduct, disrupts classroom discussion, impedes the maintenance of public order, or constitutes a danger to the person distributing or disseminating the material or to any group or individual.

3.22 For the purposes of Subsection 2.21, advocacy means addressing the group for imminent action and steeling, bolstering, or bracing it to such action as opposed to the abstract espousal of the moral propriety of a course of action.

3.23 Any group or person, whether or not a student or employee, demonstrating on campus shall adhere to the provisions of Education Code, Section 4.30, as cited in Chapter VI, Subsection 3.4, of these Rules and Regulations.

3.3 Disruptive Activities. Disruptive activities are prohibited on a component campus. See Education Code, Section 51.935 and Chapter VI, Subsection 5.4. The president shall promptly utilize all lawful measures to halt and eliminate any and all such disruptive activities and shall immediately notify the Chancellor and the Chairman of the Board of Regents.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Services to Students with Disabilities

It is the policy of Sam Houston State University that no otherwise qualified disabled individual shall, solely by reason of his/her disability, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any academic program or activity.

Students seeking academic accommodations under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 should register with Sam Houston State University Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD). In order for students with disabilities to be eligible for academic accommodations and adjustments, they need to provide documentation that shows evidence of a “substantially limiting” disability as defined by federal legislation noted above. Service and documentation guidelines are available in the SSD office. Students needing interpreter services should notify SSD at least two months in advance of the semester.

Adaptive technology is located in the SSD, the Newton Gresham Library (NGL),

and computer labs around campus. SSD and NGL have CCTVs, screen readers, and scanners. Each computer lab has a large monitor and Zoom Text – level 2.

If you feel that you have been discriminated against, you may file a grievance. Prior to filing a formal grievance, students are encouraged to resolve the issue directly with the individual involved. Procedures for filing academic grievances are provided in this document. If you are not satisfied, you may appeal to the ADA Compliance and Oversight Committee.

Students with disabilities may request admissions or registration assistance by calling the Undergraduate Admissions Office (936) 294-1828 or Registrar's Office (936) 294-1040.

Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) locations are as follows with corresponding telephone numbers:

- Dean of Students' Office: (936) 294-3785
- Counseling Center and Services for Students with Disabilities: (936) 294-3786
- University Police: (936) 294-3787
- Office of Undergraduate Admissions: (936) 294-3788
- Registrar's Office: (936) 294-3789

Services for Students with Disabilities is located in the Counseling Center (936) 294-1720. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

HAZING ACT

(The following is excerpted from state of Texas statutes and is binding on this university.)

SUBCHAPTER F. HAZING

Texas Education Code § 37.151 - § 37.157

37.151. Definitions

In this subchapter:

- (1) "Educational institution" includes a public or private high school.
- (2) "Pledge" means any person who has been accepted by or is considering an offer of membership from, or is in the process of qualifying for membership in an organization.
- (3) "Pledging" means any action or activity related to becoming a member of an organization.
- (4) "Student" means any person who:
 - (A) is registered in or in attendance at an educational institution;
 - (B) has been accepted for admission at the educational institution where the hazing incident occurs; or
 - (C) intends to attend an educational institution during any of its regular sessions after a period of scheduled vacation.
- (5) "Organization" means a fraternity, sorority, association, corporation, order, society, corps, club, or service, social, or similar group, whose members are primarily students.
- (6) "Hazing" means any intentional, knowing, or reckless act, occurring on or off the campus of an educational institution, by one person alone or acting with others, directed against a student, that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of pledging, being initiated into, affiliating with, holding office in, or maintaining membership in an organization. The term includes: