**Tips for working around “service animals”**

- Service Animals are recognized by disability laws as only *dogs and miniature horses* and are allowed inside buildings.

- Service Animals should not be touched or pet unless the owner allows.

- Companion animals are allowed on campus but are *not allowed inside* buildings.

- Not all Service Animals will wear a vest or have markings of “service animal” and the laws do not require this.

- Staff and faculty may ask an individual who brings a dog (or miniature horse-Handlers) inside a building only two questions if they suspect that the dog is not a service animal:
  1. Is the dog a service animal required because of a disability?
  2. What work or task has the dog been trained to perform?
  3. Staff and faculty cannot ask about the disability, require medical documentation, require a special identification card or training documentation for the dog; or ask the dog demonstrate its ability to perform the work or task.

- If the individual is able to answer yes and advice of the service performed by the dog, the dog is allowed inside the building. If the individual answers no and cannot advice of the service the dog performs we can let them know that Service Animals are only allowed inside buildings and that the dog will need to wait outside.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Disability Support Services at Lindbloom Center second floor room 272. Thank you for your time and collaboration!

Sincerely,

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