

BARTON

LIBRARY

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Animals in the Library

The Barton Library adheres to the College's established policies and procedures concerning service animals.

- **Service Animals:** Service animals that are properly trained and accompanied by their owner are permitted in the Library. These animals provide necessary support to their owner as a reasonable accommodation.
- **Emotional Assistance Animals:** Emotional assistance animals that have been authorized for student housing are allowed in the Library.
- **Unauthorized Animals:** Non-service animals, including pets, are not permitted in the Library unless explicitly authorized.
- **Exclusion of Service Animals:** A service animal may only be excluded from the Library under the following circumstances:
 - The animal is out of control, and the handler does not take effective steps to regain control.
 - The animal is not housebroken.
 - The animal's behavior poses a direct and significant threat to the health or safety of others.
- **Access to Library Services:** If a service animal is removed due to behavior issues, Library staff will provide the handler with alternative ways to access Library services.

Contact(s): Director of Library and College Archives

Related Forms:

Relevant Policies and Procedures: [Policy 1200 – College Facilities, Equipment, and Other Resources](#); [Procedure 2220 – Animals in College Facilities and in College Vehicles](#)

Relevant Guideline(s) and Plan(s): [Patron Conduct](#)

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