

The purpose of this policy is to maintain Los Angeles College of Music as a creative, safe, and hygienic setting in which to study, work, and visit.

LACM PET POLICY:

The accompaniment of pets in property classrooms, work areas, recording spaces, and computer labs can be distracting as well as unsanitary; pets may impact the safety and health of fellow students, faculty, staff, and visitors, and may expose the institution to legal liability (for example, if a dog bites someone).

This policy applies to all faculty, staff, and students, at all times and in all institution locations (including but not limited to offices, classrooms, computer labs, housing, and the library).

Faculty, staff, and students are prohibited from bringing pets into a Los Angeles College of Music building, including, but not limited to, classrooms, work areas, housing, computer labs, and recording spaces.

This policy does not apply to animals used as a disability-aid. Dogs walked on campus must be kept on a leash and must be picked up after, in accordance with Los Angeles sanitation requirements.

EXCEPTION: Service Dogs, which are separate and distinctive from emotional assistance dogs (as defined by the United States Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division) are exclusively trained to do work or perform tasks for people with disabilities. Service animals are working dogs, not pets. The work of a service dog must directly relate to the person's disability. Service dogs are allowed to accompany people with disabilities in all areas of the Los Angeles College of Music's facilities where the public is normally allowed to go, with the exception of certain areas of the campus (such as stages and recording spaces) that would be dangerous to the dog or to the handler (discussed in advance on a case-by-case basis). Owners are responsible for the safety, health, and well-being of their service dog, and may be liable should the dog cause damage or harm someone. Service dogs walked on campus must be kept on a leash and must be picked up after, in accordance with Los Angeles sanitation requirements.

Any student wishing to request Accommodations for a Service Animal must submit a request with supporting documentation to Student Affairs in advance of bringing the animal to campus. For more information, please refer to the Accommodations Application.

Disclaimer: Therapy Dogs, Comfort Dogs, or Emotional Support Animals (Assistance Animals): Assistance Animals are not allowed on Los Angeles College of Music's property, nor are they allowed in other controlled spaces on campus, such as: student residences, classrooms, computer labs, recording spaces, and offices.