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# Angelo State University
**Operating Policy and Procedure**

**OP 34.25:** **Animals in Campus Buildings and Facilities**

**DATE:** March 24, 2014

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this Operating Policy/Procedure (OP) is to define the guidelines governing the presence of non-laboratory animals in university buildings.

**REVIEW:** This OP will be reviewed in March every three years, or as needed, by the director of risk and emergency management with recommended revisions forwarded through the vice president for finance and administration to the president by April 15 of the same year.

## POLICY/PROCEDURE

**1.** All animals are prohibited from being kept, harbored, or maintained in any university building with the exception of laboratory animals, animals used for teaching and research purposes, police K-9s, the recognized mascot of Angelo State (in approved areas), or specially trained dogs or other animals utilized for or by persons with visual impairment or other documented disabilities.

Service animals for persons with disabilities are permitted with prior approval by either the office of student life or human resources.

**2.** Enforcement of this OP shall be the responsibility of the university police. Any person who is found to be in violation of this policy shall immediately remove such animal from the building in question at the request of university police. Failure to comply with this request may result in appropriate disciplinary action.

**3.** All animal owners must comply with the City of San Angelo ordinance regarding leash restrictions and properly control their animal while on campus. University Police will be responsible for contacting the city Animal Services Division to request stray animals be removed from university property.