

## **Service and Emotional Support Animals on Campus What You Should Know**

### **Service Animals...**

- Are trained to perform a specific task(s) to assist a person with a disability. Examples of such work or tasks include guiding people who are blind, alerting people who are deaf, pulling a wheelchair or alerting and protecting a person who is having a seizure.
- Can only be a dog or a miniature horse. They will typically wear a vest or some sort of identification, but are not required to do so.
- Are protected by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). You are only allowed to ask two questions....Is the animal a service animal required because of a disability? What work or task(s) has the animal been trained to perform? You cannot require that the animal demonstrate the work or tasks. You also cannot ask for documentation supporting the need for the animal.
- May be registered with Accessibility Services. Students are encouraged to register their service animal and provide documentation of the animal's health and training. If a service animal has been registered with Accessibility Services, the animal will be provided with an ID card and the service animal will be listed on the student's Student Accommodation Report (SAR).
- Can be removed if they are causing a disturbance. If a person with an animal refuses to leave when asked to do so, please contact University Police.
- Should not be touched, distracted or fed when working. If an animal is playing with its handler or others, you may ask that the animal be removed.

### **Emotional Support Animals...**

- Are only allowed in the residence halls with the approval of Housing and Residence Life.
- May be any type of animal that is approved. Only animals that are safe and healthy will be approved.
- Are not allowed in classrooms or other areas of campus.