SECTION I. SCOPE.

This policy governs use of property and facilities owned by or leased to the University of Minnesota (University).

SECTION II. GUIDING PRINCIPLES.

The following principles shall guide the use of University property and facilities.

(a) The University is committed to maintaining property and facilities for the primary purpose of meeting the needs of the institution, and furthering its teaching, research, and outreach mission. This includes uses that: (1) contribute to the physical and cultural development of University students supplementary to formal course work; and (2) stimulate the intellectual lives and personal development of University students, faculty, staff, and the broader community.

(b) The University is committed to maximizing the efficient and effective use of its property and facilities in order to provide appropriate, high quality, and sufficient space and infrastructure for University purposes and programs.

(c) University property and facilities are valuable public assets that may be appropriate for broader community use.

SECTION III. IMPLEMENTATION.

Subd. 1. Delegation of Authority.

The president or delegate shall maintain administrative policies and procedures to implement this policy, define permissible uses, set contracting guidelines, ensure appropriate property and facility management, and establish scheduling priority of University property and facility use.

Subd. 2. Campus Master Planning.

The use and stewardship of University property and facilities shall be consistent with the master plan for each campus.
Subd. 3. Non-University Use.
Use of University property and facilities by individuals and by non-University entities may be permitted under the following conditions:

(a) the property or facility is available and not being used for a University purpose or program; and
(b) an appropriate contracted agreement has been developed between the University and the individual or non-University entity.

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