



**SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY
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STUDENT BILL OF RIGHTS

Amendments I – XII of the Constitution of the Southern Utah University Student Association

We, the students of Southern Utah University, recognize that this academic institution exists for the pursuit of knowledge, truth, and individual development. Free inquiry and free speech are indispensable to the achievement of our goal of obtaining a national standard of education. As members of this community, we have the responsibility to contribute to an environment of trust that protects the freedom of all to exchange and develop ideas. Only in such an atmosphere of trust and freedom is it possible for students to live together and learn from the faculty as well as one another.

The rights enumerated in this document are inalienable and henceforth recognized by the governing student organization. Upon adoption, this Bill of Rights shall exist as a prevailing student policy. To ensure these freedoms, we proclaim this Student Bill of Rights.

AMENDMENT I

The Rights protected by the U.S. Constitution are non-negotiable. Neither the students, faculty, nor administration will be deprived of these rights.

AMENDMENT II

Student fees must be approved by the Student Fee Review Board and Student Senate, prior to their initiation. This ensures that monies, collected as student fees, are circulated in a responsible manner and prioritized by the elected representatives of the student body.

AMENDMENT III

Student space is considered any space that has been funded, entirely or in greater part, by student fees. Students who are currently enrolled at SUU, and who pay student fees, shall have priority in scheduling such spaces and/or facilities. These students shall not be denied access to student space, providing they abide by the reasonable policies that govern the use and scheduling of such areas.

AMENDMENT IV

Students may invite individuals who are members of the academic community to speak on campus provided they are sponsored by a recognized campus organization, or



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approved by Student Senate, both of which can be vetoed by a petition signed by at least ten percent (10%) of the student body.

AMENDMENT V

The freedom to assemble on University property shall be guaranteed to all students, providing protests and/or demonstrations adhere to Southern Utah University's Policies and Procedures. Protests and/or demonstrations shall never jeopardize the rights or safety of others, endanger university property, resort to illegal actions, or breach the Student Responsibilities and Rights in any manner.

AMENDMENT VI

Students have the right to a level of higher education determined by the national standards of their discipline. Students have a right to expect that no other standard will impinge on the quality of their education.

AMENDMENT VII

Students have the right to fairly and anonymously evaluate their professors at the end of each semester, without anxiety that their opinions may sway their final grades in any way. After final grades have been submitted, and only after final grades have been submitted, professors, students, college deans, and the appropriate administration shall have access to evaluation results.

AMENDMENT VIII

Students have the right to be evaluated objectively and accurately on their academic performance, based on attendance, assignments, quizzes, exams, and/or any other forms of evaluation as outlined in the course syllabi. Students have the right to discuss their academic performance with their instructors. Students who feel the instructor has evaluated them unfairly, acted negligently or disrespected them have the right to file an appeal or grievance to the department chairperson.

AMENDMENT IX

Students have the right to present proposals for curricular revision, beginning at the departmental level.

AMENDMENT X

Students have the right to inquire about University policies, the origin of those policies, and the procedure(s) through which they can be changed. Students inquiring about such



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policies shall receive information from the correct University authorities within an equitable timeframe.

AMENDMENT XI

Any board, apart from Faculty Senate, Staff Association and President's Council, which has the ability to determine policy that will affect students, shall have a voting representative from the Student Body. These Students shall be appointed by the Student Body President and confirmed by a three-fourths vote of approval by the Student Senate.

AMENDMENT XII

Students have the right to petition for redress of grievances concerning any infringement of points enumerated in this Bill of Rights. Their petition shall be referred to the appeals procedure originating with the Student Judicial Council and subsequently advancing through the appropriate channels.