POLICY STATEMENT
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SUBJECT: Speech and Demonstration Regulations

I. PURPOSE

The policy defines the procedure LSUS students, employees and visitors should follow to speak and/or demonstrate on the LSU Shreveport campus.

II. POLICY

LSU Shreveport recognizes and supports the rights of students, employees of all categories and visitors to speak in public and to demonstrate in a lawful manner in designated areas of the campus and at designated times. In order to maintain safety, security and order, to insure the orderly scheduling of campus facilities and to preclude conflicts with academic and curricular activities, LSU Shreveport reserves the reasonable right to limit such activities by the following regulations regarding time, place and manner of such activities.

Definitions: Speech, as used in this document, is the oral presentation of ideas in an open forum. Demonstration is any process of showing individual or group cause by speech, example, group action or other form of public expression.

Time, Place and Manner Limitations:

Interior Demonstrations, debates and speeches may be held inside university facilities only in compliance with established procedures for the use of the facility.

Exterior LSU Shreveport reserves the right to require that speakers use designated locations in order to avoid unreasonable conflict with the normal functions and requirements of the university and to assure that the flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic will not be impeded, (whether the speakers be scheduled or unscheduled, sponsored or unsponsored, University affiliated or visitors to the campus). Use of the University facilities will be scheduled by the Director of UC Operations and Program Services and will be scheduled in blocks of time between 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Monday through Friday) so as to best accommodate all users and to avoid monopolization by any person, agency or organization. Authorization for any speech or demonstration will require identification of the individual or organization and agreement to abide by University regulations.
No musical instrument or sound amplification equipment of any kind, including stereo speakers, turntables, stationary or mobile public address systems, are allowed on concourses, streets or in areas adjacent to academic buildings without the approval from the Director of UC Operations and Program Services and the appropriate facilities manager.

**Administration, enforcement and appeals:** These regulations shall be administered and enforced by the University Center Office in conjunction with University Police.

Visitors to the campus and others violating these regulations regarding time, place and manner of speech and demonstration will be subject to immediate eviction or removal from the campus without further warning by appropriate university agents or officials and may be subject to appropriate legal action.

Individual students violating these regulations may, upon written complaint to the Director of Judicial Affairs, be subject to judicial action.

Student organizations violating these regulations may, upon written complaint to the Director of Student Activities, be subject to judicial action.

Nothing in this policy is intended nor should be understood as an endorsement or approval by LSU Shreveport of any speech or demonstration, an invitation or license to speak or demonstrate or the granting of any right or permission to speak or demonstrate on campus beyond the rights existing under federal and state law.

For more information, contact the Director of UC Operations and Program Services.

**III. IMPLEMENTATION**

The implementation of this policy regarding speech and demonstration regulations for LSU Shreveport students, employees and visitors will be effective January 1, 2010.

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AUTHORIZED:  
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs  Date

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APPROVED:  
Interim Chancellor  Date