

Facilities, Infrastructure and Assets Policy

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Purpose:

This policy outlines the University of Tasmania's commitment to strategically manage and operate its physical assets and provide campuses, facilities and equipment that are functional, efficient, sustainable, vibrant and support successful learning, teaching and research outcomes.

		Responsible
1	Physical assets management	
1.1	Asset acquisition, operation, maintenance, refurbishment and disposal will enhance learning, teaching and research activities, including the student and staff experience.	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
1.2	The University's infrastructure will be designed and developed with an emphasis on meeting the University's sustainability objectives, including reducing the carbon footprint and mitigating climate change impacts.	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
1.3	University assets will be used primarily for conducting University business.	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
1.4	University assets will be managed to ensure their full potential and value are realised across their life cycle.	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
1.5	All real property purchases, sales, leasing, licensing and occupancy agreements will be undertaken to ensure the most efficient, effective and sustainable use of University resources.	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
1.6	Financial contributions will be considered for public infrastructure or assets that deliver benefits to the University and are in close alignment to the University's strategic plan and values.	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
1.7	Disposal of University assets will be undertaken by safe and secure means that deliver fair value and support sustainability goals.	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
2	Learning, teaching and research space	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
2.1	Spaces will be designed to support contemporary pedagogy and provide flexibility to adapt to new space configurations as requirements change.	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
2.2	Space allocation will be prioritised to efficiently and effectively meet learning, teaching and research objectives, and operational support for these.	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
2.3	All spaces will be centrally managed to ensure optimisation between timetabling and increased space utilisation.	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
3	Staff spaces	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
3.1	Spaces will be designed to: a) support contemporary work practices and the type of work being done b) enhance wellbeing	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)

c) enable a culture of collaboration between staff, staff and students, and staff and community.

4	Facilities access	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
4.1	University facilities will be open and accessible to students, staff and members of the community where possible, subject to the safety and security of people and assets.	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)
4.2	Events held at the University will: uphold the values of the University and be consistent with the University's Academic Freedom and Freedom of Speech Policy ; will not cause unwarranted disruption or damage to the University, its assets or the local community; or compromise safety or wellbeing.	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Services and Operations)

Definitions and acronyms

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All University community members must comply with all relevant laws and regulations, University By-Laws, ordinances, policies and procedures.