

Pittsburgh Theological Seminary Pet Policy

SUMMARY

Students living in designated apartments are permitted to have pleasant and mature (house trained) dogs, cats, and caged pets (with Housing Council approval. **Reptiles, large rodents, ferrets, and rabbits will not be given consideration**). Immature and/or pets not house trained are not permitted. A pet deposit of \$250 is required for an un-caged pet. Pets are limited to no more than 2 per unit. A pet application form must be completed for all pets (except fish. Fish tanks are limited to a total of no more than 30 gallons) prior to move-in. **Pets are not permitted in an apartment until a pet application has been approved by the seminary.** All pet owners must clean up after their pets, especially when their pets defecate in the yards or any other public areas. Pet owners must ensure that their pets do not bother or disturb other residents.

Pets, including cats are not permitted to be outside without being supervised by their owner. Visiting pets are not allowed to stay overnight in a seminary apartment.

Any damage to an apartment unit or other Seminary owned property (including but not limited to grass, trees, shrubs, fences, walls, doors, etc) is subject to being charged to the student, at the sole discretion of the seminary. **At no time are pets allowed to be on the premises of the main campus bounded by Saint Marie, North Highland, Sheridan, and East Liberty Boulevard.**

Rabies Vaccinations

Pet owners must provide a copy at the time of application of current rabies and other vaccinations as required by the City of Pittsburgh.

Other City of Pittsburgh Regulations

Dog owners must also provide a copy of a valid City of Pittsburgh dog license
http://www.city.pittsburgh.pa.us/finance/html/dog_license_application.html.

Dog owners must keep dogs on a leash when on seminary property (except when in the owners apartment) and adhere to City leash regulations.

A complete listing of all City regulations residents must adhere to can be found at the following:

http://www.city.pittsburgh.pa.us/ps/animal_control/dog_cat_regs.html

http://www.city.pittsburgh.pa.us/ps/animal_control/nuisance_violations.html

http://www.city.pittsburgh.pa.us/ps/animal_control/stray_animals.html

http://www.city.pittsburgh.pa.us/ps/animal_control/spay_neuter.html

Issue Resolution

Any questions, comments, concerns or issues of interpretation of this policy and/ or its enforcement or modification must be submitted in writing to the Housing Council of the Office of the Dean of Students. This committee shall consult with the school’s VP for Finance and Administration in making any recommendation or decision. All decisions of the Housing Council are subject to, and effective only upon, the concurrence of the VP for Finance and Administration.

In absence of agreement between the Housing Committee and the VP for Finance and Administration the Seminary reserves the right, in the person of the VP for Finance and Administration, to have any pet removed immediately from an apartment if the Seminary determines that the pet poses the risk of injury to other residents or if the Seminary determines that a student is not adhering to other requirements of this Policy.

Special Exceptions

Special exceptions to this policy may be considered by written request to the Dean of Students. Such request will be reviewed and approved/rejected by the Dean of Students and the Vice President for Finance and Administration.

I have read the Seminary Pet Policy and agree to adhere to all terms of the Policy

Signature _____

Date _____