

# UNIVERSITY POLICY

## HOVERBOARDS / SELF-BALANCING SCOOTERS

### POLICY

To minimize the risk of personal injury and property damage upon the campus, **ALL** self-balancing, personal electronic transportation devices, also referred to as battery-operated scooters or hands-free Segway-like scooters or powerboards, and more popularly known as Hoverboards, are prohibited from use, possession, charging and/or storage on campus. This includes any property owned, leased or controlled by the University.

### RATIONALE

Recent safety concerns identified by the Consumer Product Safety Commission and the associated risks of fire, falls and injuries to riders and pedestrians have made it unsafe to allow the storage or use of these devices on campus.

### PROCEDURE

1. Any University staff member observing a violation of this policy should immediately inform the violator of this policy. If the person responsible for violating this policy does not cooperate with the staff member, University Police should be notified for assistance.

(a) Violations of this policy by students should be reported to University Police who will inform the Office of Student Conduct of the infraction.

(b) Violations of this policy observed in Residence Halls should be reported to a member of the Residence Life Staff.

(c) Violations of this policy by an employee should be reported to Human Resources.

(d) Violations of this policy by non-SRU affiliates and members of the general public should be reported to the University Police.

2. In the event that property damage or injury has occurred, University Police should be notified to respond and investigate the incident. Officers shall identify the parties responsible for the property damage and if necessary, shall file the appropriate legal charges for such damage.

3. The Offices of Housing and Residence Life, Commuter Services, University Police and University Communication and Public Affairs shall communicate this policy annually to residents living on campus, commuting students and visitors to campus via various communications and media outlets.

4. The Office of Facilities and Planning shall erect and maintain signs at the primary entrances to the University advising that these devices are prohibited on the property.

### SANCTIONS

1. SRU students found in violation of this policy are subject to disciplinary action through the Office of Student Conduct or can be subject to criminal charges as deemed appropriate by the SRU Police Department and may result in prosecution under the PA Vehicles Code Title 75 Section, 6109, Subsection (a) 19.

2. SRU employees found in violation of these regulations are subject to disciplinary action through the Office of Human Resources or can be subject to criminal charges as deemed appropriate by the SRU Police Department and may result in prosecution under the PA Vehicles Code Title 75, Section 6109, Subsection (a)19.

3. Non-SRU affiliates and members of the general public found in violation of these regulations may be subject to criminal charges as deemed appropriate by the SRU Police Department and may result in prosecution under the PA Vehicles Code Title 75, Section 6109, Subsection (a)19.

**SCOPE**

This policy applies to all students, faculty, staff and visitors to the campus.

**RESPONSIBILITY**

Responsibility for implementation of this policy is a campuswide effort involving the Offices of Student Conduct, Residence Life, Human Resources and the University Police where applicable.

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