POLICY ON OUTSIDE SPEAKERS, PERFORMERS, AND OTHER EVENTS

The Trustees, the administration, and the faculty of The Evergreen State College mutually agree that an important aspect of higher education is the opportunity to listen to a wide variety of opinions on important public issues. Because of their confidence in the capacity of Evergreen students to listen critically and to judge intelligently among conflicting statements and in conformity with American traditions of freedom of expression and enquiry, they agree on the following policies governing the appearance on campus of speakers and performers not themselves members of the Evergreen community.

1. No speaker or performer shall be barred from appearance on the campus of The Evergreen State College on account of nationality, race, color, sex, religion, political affiliation, personal philosophy, or other beliefs.

2. Any official student, faculty, or staff organization is eligible to sponsor an event or the appearance of a speaker, lecturer, performer, or other individual or group from outside the college community, subject to compliance with local, State and Federal laws.

3. No person who is not a member of the Evergreen community has an inherent right to speak on the campus unless he has been invited by a member of the student body, faculty, or staff, or by an officially recognized student group. No person not a member of the Evergreen student body, faculty or staff has a right to demand that he be allowed to listen to an address of an invited speaker. In exceptional cases, the President may at his discretion limit the audience to members of the group which issued the invitation.

4. Application to schedule an event or the appearance of an outside speaker must be made through the Office of College Activities. Facilities will be provided as available for any event which would not disrupt the normal operations of the College or interfere with the rights of others.
5. Charges for facilities and required services will be made in accordance with the schedule of rates administered by the Office of College Activities. Only those events scheduled for profit-making purposes will be subject to charge.

When deemed advisable by the chief executive officer for the Office of College Activities, the applicant organization may be asked to make an advance deposit, post a bond, and/or obtain insurance to protect the college against damage costs or other liability.

6. No application is necessary for a speaker or performer invited by a faculty or staff member to participate in the instructional or operational programs of the college, provided it would not be necessary to make special arrangements for facilities, and provided the appearance would not disrupt the normal operations of the college or interfere with the rights of others.