

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.	Chief Operating Officer
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.	Chief Operating Officer
1.3	University assets will be used primarily for conducting University business.	Chief Operating Officer
1.4	University assets will be managed to ensure their full potential and value are realised across their life cycle.	Chief Operating Officer
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.	Chief Operating Officer
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.	Chief Operating Officer
1.7	Disposal of University assets will be undertaken by safe and secure means that deliver fair value and support sustainability goals.	Chief Operating Officer
2	Learning, teaching and research space	
2.1	Spaces will be designed to support contemporary pedagogy and provide flexibility to adapt to new space configurations as requirements change.	Chief Operating Officer
2.2	Space allocation will be prioritised to efficiently and effectively meet learning, teaching and research objectives, and operational support for these.	Chief Operating Officer
2.3	All spaces will be centrally managed to ensure optimisation between timetabling and increased space utilisation.	Chief Operating Officer
3	Staff spaces	
3.1	Spaces will be designed to: a) support contemporary work practices and the type of work being done b) enhance wellbeing c) enable a culture of collaboration between staff, staff and students, and staff and community.	Chief Operating Officer
4	Facilities access	
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.	Chief Operating Officer

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.

Chief Operating
Officer

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.