Temporary structures and overnight protests

You have the right to free expression at the University of Calgary, which includes the freedom to critique and contest the expression of others. Those rights and freedoms are limited by the university’s need to maintain a safe and functioning environment. Temporary structures and overnight protests are not allowed on campus.

Under the Use of University Facilities for Non-Academic Purposes Policy (Facilities Policy) and Special Events Program, putting up temporary structures is not allowed on the University of Calgary campuses without prior permission.

• “The University reserves the right to direct, limit, or terminate [spontaneous Demonstrations or other types of Special events]” – Facilities Policy

• “All tents in outdoor spaces are required to book the space through Conference and Event Management, with the exception of playing fields which are booked through the Faculty of Kinesiology.” – Special Events Program 7.6

Under University Direction on Temporary Structures and Overnight Protests, temporary structures cannot be set up as part of a protest and protests cannot occur between the hours of 10pm and 8am.

• “To protect the safety of the campus community and maintain the operations of the university: 1) tents or other temporary structures as part of a protest will not be allowed; 2) overnight protests will not be allowed”

Failure to follow these policies and directives may constitute non-academic misconduct (students), cause for disciplinary action (staff) and/or grounds to be trespassed from the University of Calgary’s premises (all).

For questions about these policies, please contact provost@ucalgary.ca