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I. Policy

The university recognizes that the invitation of a distinguished guest(s) to the University of South Carolina Columbia may require extraordinary measures to insure the protection of the dignitary as well as the well-being and safety of Carolina students, faculty, and staff.

The value of inviting a distinguished guest to the University may require the temporary interruption of normally scheduled activities. The university reserves the right to take appropriate action to provide a secure environment for all present on the campus during such an appearance. The university will strive to minimize any inconvenience to students, faculty, and staff. Advance notice of schedule or operational changes will be published and distributed whenever possible well in advance of the special event.

The university recognizes the rights and responsibilities of both students and non-students to participate in these special events. However, the university, while acknowledging the rights of assembly and free speech, reserves the right to control the environment by time, manner, and place restrictions in order to provide for the well-being of all people present on campus during the special event.

Additional information may be obtained from the Associate Vice President for Student.

II. Reason for Revision

Policy organization, content, and accuracy reviewed in March 2016; no substantive revisions required.