Effective: February 20, 2024
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Executive Summary:
This policy provides rules and guidelines for those wishing to organize or participate in demonstrations on the
Barnard campus or in any building rented or owned by the College.
Reason for the Policy:
This policy establishes clear, content-neutral time, place, and manner rules for campus demonstrations. The rules
ensure that public expression does not disrupt College operations or impede the ability of Barnard community
members to learn, work, and live on our small campus. Failure to follow this policy can subject students to the
Barnard Student Code of Conduct and employees to discipline up to and including termination.
Who Is Responsible for This Policy:
Responsible Administrator(s): Ciaran Escoffery, Vice President and Secretary to the Board of Trustees
Responsible Office(s): The Events Management Office and the Office of the General Counsel
Who Is Governed by This Policy:
All students, staff, and faculty are governed by this policy.
Policy Statement:
Barnard College is committed to open inquiry and the exchange of the widest range of ideas, free from
institutional orthodoxy, coercion, or retaliation. This commitment is vital to Barnard’s educational mission.
Although the College, as a private institution, is not subject to the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, we
seek to closely follow the principles of the First Amendment to emphasize our commitment to the importa摅ㄍaf the Firsnaar鍕䚈ഀ堀�@ɐԐeւ̓ɓ遠퀅聈䴀堀at te U.S@ɐԐiontd by 匐퀅  䀃耄쀀is commite o1㎘䎀퀅瀀䀄倀䀅䀀rd’uഀ倀o 퀄退䀅䀀in�Ԁae optt rr鍕䚈ഀ堀

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This policy applies to any demonstrations on campus (hereinafter “Demonstrations”), defined as a group ofpeople coming together in an audible, nonsile

Eligibility to Register an Intent to Demonstrate. Only current Barnard students in good standing, faculty, staff, or
Barnard-recognized student groups are eligible to register an Intent to Demonstrate. The College campus is not a
public forum, and outside parties are not permitted to organize or conduct Demonstrations on our campus.
Registration Confirmation Criteria. Events Management will confirm all timely requests to demonstrate so long
as:
If the above criteria are met, the College will confirm registration without regard to the content of the
Demonstration. Registration confirmation will be made in the order that requests are received. In situations
where the College cannot confirm registration within one working day, the College will within one working day
inform the individual or group making the request as to the reasons for the delay and work with them expediently
to resolve any concerns.
Counter-Demonstrations. Those seeking to engage in a counter-Demonstration on the same day as a
Demonstration must file an Intent to Demonstrate no later than 8 hours after the Demonstration appears on the
calendar of registered Demonstrations and no fewer than 8 hours before the Demonstration is to begin. Events
Management will confirm the request for a counter-Demonstration if the original Demonstration request
estimated that fewer than 100 people will attend the Demonstration, and the counter-Demonstration request
estimates that fewer than 100 people will attend the counter-Demonstration. If confirmed, each Demonstration
will then take place on a separate part of the Designated Demonstration Area with a physical division between
Demonstrations. No more than two registrations will be confirmed for the same day and time.
Participation in Demonstrations. To protect all demonstrating on our campus, attendance at registered
Demonstrations will be limited to BC and CU ID holders only. At times, the College may choose to close campus
gates to ensure the protection of all who wish to demonstrate. To ensure campus safety, individuals participating
in registered Demonstrations must also follow all Rules for the Maintenance of Public Order
(https://barnard.edu/sites/default/files/inline-files/Rules%20for%20Maintenance%20of%20Public%20Order_2.pdf).
Noise Amplification. The Designated Demonstration Area is close to the College’s primary classroom and study
areas. In order to ensure that registered Demonstrations do not interfere with normal College activities, those
participating in registered Demonstrations may not use noise amplification (e.g., megaphones, bullhorns, etc.) or
sound machines (e.g., pots, pans, instruments, etc.) during Demonstrations.
The Designated Demonstration Area is available during the time requested and not reserved by any other
group for that time (unless the request is for a counter-Demonstration as set forth below).
1.
The Designated Demonstration Area is not needed for another event that requires tables, tents, or other
items to be on the field to be set up or installed during the time requested for the Demonstration.
2.
3The College is able to staff the Demonstration with relevant staff members.   .
The individual or group making the request has not previously advertised the date and time of the
Demonstration.
4.
The individual or group making the request has not engaged in a pattern of making repeated requests that
functionally prohibit other individuals or groups from making such requests under this policy.
5.

True Threats and Incitement to Violence. Consistent with the First Amendment, those participating in registered
Demonstrations may not make true threats, incite violence, use fighting words, or engage in unlawful harassment.
Failure to Comply With This Policy
Students engaged in registered Demonstrations shall not be subject to Student Conduct proceedings for their
participation in Demonstrations unless they do not adhere to this policy, violate other College policies, or engage
in illegal activity.
Anyone violating this policy will be a

This policy exempts Demonstrations from the Campus Events and Approval Policy
(https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rnbG361DGh9cxqUbB7vEpMqWFKsiUqPFg01q0rZ6MTE/edit). Students,
faculty, and staff should be mindful of other College policies, including the College’s nondiscrimination policies,
which apply to all College activities.
Website for This Policy:
College Policies & Procedures (https://barnard.edu/college-policies-procedures)
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