Policy #:	PRM-3002	Policy Title:	Photography and Videography Policy
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**Effective:** 03/27/2025 **Responsible Office:** Office of University Communications

Date 03/27/2025 Approval: Vice President for University Communications

and Chief Marketing Officer Approved:

N/A VP University Communications and Chief Replaces Responsible

**Policy Dated: University Official:** Marketing Officer

#### **SCOPE:**

This policy applies to the University of Richmond and all space owned or leased by the University, including both indoor and outdoor locations.

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#### **POLICY STATEMENT:**

*PRM-3002.1 – Definitions* 

**Sponsoring Group**: The University department, unit, or registered student organization or external organization or individual that is scheduling, directly overseeing, and paying for an event.

University-Sponsored Events: Those activities directly related to the life of the campus community including academic, cultural, social, recreational and student programming activities, intercollegiate athletic events, events for prospective students, and alumni events hosted by or in collaboration with Advancement. University-sponsored events must be scheduled, sponsored, and directly overseen by faculty, staff, administrative offices, or registered student organizations. Academic conferences sponsored by the University and athletic camps sponsored by University Athletics or its coaches are considered Universitysponsored events.

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University Co-Sponsored Events: Programs, conferences, camps, workshops, resource development activities and/or meetings involving two entities: (1) a University division, school, academic department, administrative unit, or registered student organization and (2) an external organization. Co-sponsored events must advance the University's mission; provide benefit to students, staff, and/or faculty as attendees; and the University co-sponsor must be directly involved in scheduling, organizing, overseeing, and participating in the event.

Non-University External Events: Programs and activities sponsored by individuals, organizations or groups not part of the organizational structure of the University who request to use University facilities for the benefit of their own programs or organizations. Examples of non-University external events include weddings, fundraising events that do not benefit the University, and other types of meetings and events sponsored by business, government, individuals and non-profit organizations. Events sponsored by University employees that do not have a University-related business purpose are considered non-University external events (e.g., private parties or meetings of organizations to which employees belong that do not have a direct business purpose for the University).

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Photography and videography may not interfere with the educational or administrative functions of the University nor disrupt any events on campus.

When taking photographs or video on campus, special care should be taken in Cannon Memorial Chapel, the Wilton Center, and the Columbarium and Memorial Garden to avoid intrusion, disruption or disrespect.

Sponsoring groups hosting events and activities with photography and videography should refer to the University Communications Photography and Video resources.

#### Photography for University Uses

When photographing or filming non-students 18 years or younger as part of a University-sponsored event or for a University business purpose, a release from the child's parents or guardian is required. The sponsoring University office must keep the release on file.

University offices and sponsoring groups should make University Communications aware if they hire an external vendor to photograph or film an event.

Members of the Media and Non-University Events

Permission must be obtained from University Communications for all photo and/or video shoots on the University of Richmond campus by members of the media.

University of Richmond branding, logos, trade or service marks are not allowed to be photographed/filmed for use in advertisements or other commercial purposes without the University's prior written approval. This includes, but is not limited to, the University of Richmond name, UR Shield, the word "Spiders," and the spider and web logos.

Requests to conduct professional photo or video shoots on campus for non-University purposes or as part of a non-University external event (including for commercial purposes) must be directed to Events and Support Services. The Events team will consult with University Communications about the scope of the project. The use of University space for such photo or video shoots may be limited at the discretion of University Communications.

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## **RELATED POLICIES:**

PRM 1002 - University Events and Space Reservations Policy

PRM 3001 – Use of University Marks on Merchandise

## POLICY BACKGROUND:

Policy reviewed by President's Cabinet on 3/24/2025 and approved on 3/27/2025.

## **POLICY CONTACTS:**

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Director of Events and Support Services