

Filming & Photography on Whitworth University Campus

As a private university, and in accordance with Washington state law, Whitworth University retains the right to determine **access** onto campus property.

The university also retains the right to determine how campus property is **used for filming and photography**. Any department or club/chapter on campus seeking to film a speaker or event must receive pre-approval through University Marketing & Communications and fill out the proper request forms and video/audio release forms. Advance notice of two weeks prior to the event is recommended.

Commercial Filmmakers and Photographers

Whitworth University strives to cooperate with requests from commercial film and video producers to use our facilities and grounds when it can be demonstrated their activities serve the university's interest. Priority generally is given to projects supporting the mission of the university.

The university does **not** allow people to film or photograph on campus and use that media for promotional, marketing, commercial, advocacy or similar purposes. This prohibition includes individuals whose work on YouTube or other digital platforms is aimed at generating income through advertising, music sales, lead generation or other means.

Political, Documentary and Advocacy Work

Political candidates may not use photographs or video taken on campus for campaign purposes. Groups or individuals may not film or photograph for documentaries or advocacy campaigns on campus property without university approval, which may be requested from University Marketing & Communications.

Media

News organizations are generally permitted to film and take photographs in open areas of the campus. Journalists should contact University Marketing & Communications beforehand as some events and venues have photography restrictions. News reporters and photographers should have media credentials to identify themselves and are expected to follow journalistic codes of conduct and ethics.

Procedures

All requests should be sent to the University Marketing & Communications office.

After approval has been granted, marketing & communications staff will be responsible for working with the production company/guest speaker to complete the necessary paperwork and coordinate its efforts with all appropriate university offices.