

**THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA IN HUNTSVILLE**  
**USE OF HOVERBOARDS AND SIMILAR DEVICES POLICY**

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**Division** Student Affairs

**Date** March 15, 2016

**Purpose** The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH) is committed to the safety and welfare of our employees and students. Due to reported fire hazards and other problematic safety concerns associated with Hoverboards and similar, hands-free, self-balancing devices, UAH has imposed prohibitions and restrictions that will remain in effect until the risks are eliminated. The University realizes this is an emerging issue that will be reconsidered when information and better safety standards for all models of these devices are in place. In the meantime, the prohibitions and restrictions specified in this policy will remain in effect until further notice.


**Policy** Hoverboards, and other similar self-balancing boards and scooters are prohibited from being used inside all University-owned buildings. This includes residence halls and apartments, academic buildings, university owned homes, leased facilities, and other campus properties controlled by the University. These devices are also restricted from being stored and/or having their batteries charged inside the aforementioned facilities.

Individuals who use Hoverboards and other similar self-balancing, hands-free, two-wheeled devices on the grounds, streets, and sidewalks of UAH, must familiarize themselves and comply with state and campus motor vehicle regulations.

**Review** The Vice President for Student Affairs is responsible for the review of this policy every five years (or whenever circumstances require).

**Approval**

  
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Chief University Counsel

  
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Kristi Metten  
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**APPROVED:**

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