

Student Union & Event Services  
**AMPLIFIED SOUND POLICY**

The primary focus of UNLV is teaching and learning. Amplified sound can be a source of interference with these core activities. Individuals or organizations wishing to use amplified sound are obligated to prevent that sound from interfering with the teaching and learning process. The following procedures are designed to ensure that teaching and learning are not negatively affected by amplified sound. This policy is in addition to the applicable policies outlined in the Student Union & Event Services (SUES) General Reservation Policy and UNLV Guidelines for Scheduling University Facilities. Additional policies may apply per the specifics of the event.

1. Volume [Sound Pressure Level (SPL)] must be set so that the amplified sound does not interfere with the teaching and learning aspects of the University.
2. On-going monitoring of the immediate environment of each facility surrounding the event may be conducted to guarantee that the SPL is maintained.
3. Further reduction of the SPL or the termination of amplified sound will be required if persistent complaints about sound are received. SUES reserves the right to determine and/or change any event's SPL at any time.
4. SUES reserves the right to require content of amplified sound be appropriate for the given time, space, and manner. Events receiving complaints may be asked to change their content offerings.
5. SUES is not responsible for operating, troubleshooting, or servicing client-owned A/V equipment.
6. Only one (1) scheduled event on neighboring outdoor spaces may have amplified sound during the same time frame.
7. Events using a SUES Sound System II or higher will require an Audio-Visual Technician to monitor equipment and volume (SPL). \*
  - a. Once set, the SPL may not be increased without prior approval from SUES. All changes to SPL must be made by SUES staff. If event amplified sound plans change, SUES must be notified.
8. SUES reserves the right to cancel/modify reserved A/V items at any time (i.e., weather, reduction/loss of equipment, etc.).
9. DJs, Live Bands, and Live Performances are only permitted on the locations listed below\*:
  - a. DJs
    - i. Academic Mall, Pioneer Lawn, Alumni Amphitheater, Pida Plaza, Student Union (SU) Courtyard and Courtyard Amphitheater, Ballroom Balcony, and CHEM Lawn
  - b. Live Bands & Live Performances (any scope/ size)
    - i. Pida Plaza (northside the SU), SU Courtyard and Courtyard Amphitheater (southside of the SU)
    - ii. Academic Mall (A-D), Pioneer Lawn, CHEM Lawn, Rose Garden, and Alumni Amphitheater are only permitted Monday-Friday after 5pm and/or Saturday-Sunday all day.

\*Requests for exceptions shall be submitted in writing to the Associate Director for Conference & Event services a minimum of 20 business days in advance; decisions will be made on a case-by-case basis.

## Failure to Adhere to Procedure

If complaints are received indicating disruptions of teaching/learning functions or tasks in support of these functions, the event may be shut-down and future requests by the individual or organization to use amplified sound may be denied for a minimum of one (1) semester.

I/We understand my/our obligation as explained above and agree to comply:

Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Reservation # \_\_\_\_\_ Event Name \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Contact Name (First & Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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