

BMU FLAG POLICY

I. NAME

This document shall be called the BMU Flag Policy.

II. PURPOSE

This policy establishes the guidelines, conditions, and criteria for flags displayed in the Bell Memorial Union (BMU).

III. DATE OF EFFECTIVENESS

This policy shall be effective upon approval of the Associated Students Facilities Committee (ASFC) and reported to the Board of Directors (BOD).

IV. AMENDMENTS

This policy may be amended by a 2/3 majority vote of the ASFC and reported to the BOD.

V. GUIDELINES

A. In order for a flag to be displayed in the Bell Memorial Union (BMU), the following criteria must be met:

1. There must be, or at one point in time have been, a student Visa on file (with the Office of International Education) representing the flag.
2. The flag must represent a country recognized by the United Nations or under United Nations observer status.
3. Requests must be submitted to the Vice President of Facilities and Services or the Associate Executive Director.
4. The Associate Executive Director will see that the flag is displayed in a timely fashion.

B. In order for a flag to be removed/replaced in the BMU, the following criteria must be met.

1. A flag shall be replaced only in the event that the country's government makes such changes to its official flag. Until such a change occurs, the original flag shall remain in place to represent the current or past students of said country.
2. No flag shall be removed from the display unless to be replaced by the new official flag selected by said country's government.

VI. EXCEPTIONS

A. If a flag does not meet the above criteria the following procedures must be followed:

1. Requests must be submitted to the Director of Social Justice and Equity.
2. The Director of Social Justice and Equity will present the request to the Social Justice and Equity Committee (SJEC).
3. The concerned parties will be given the opportunity to present their viewpoints to the SJEC.
4. The SJEC must approve the request by a majority vote. If approved, the Director of Social Justice and Equity will inform the Vice President of Facilities and Services and the Associate Executive Director.

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