

PROTESTS & DEMONSTRATIONS

The rights to free speech, petition, and peaceable assembly are protected by the U.S. and Washington constitutions.

Western's rules about expressive activities protect speech rights, regular university operations, and everyone's legal rights.

Freedom of expression and assembly are indispensable qualities of university life. Active participation in political and social expression is a good thing!

(WAC 516-35-005) Free expression can look many ways, including protests and demonstrations.



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Generally Allowed

- Using outside spaces designated for expressive activity: Red Square, Comm Lawn, PAC Plaza, Flag Plaza.
- Speaking, chanting, singing.
- Using amplified sound between 5pm and 10pm.
- Chalking on the ground in Red Square, or elsewhere with a reservation.
- Holding signs. Handing out info. Wearing clothing that communicates a message.

Not Allowed

- Interfering with pedestrian, bike, or vehicle traffic.
- Using amplified sound 8am to 5pm or making noise so loud it interferes with classes, events, or people's ability to work. Exceptions possible with advanced permission.
- Interfering with a reservation for the space you're using.
- Threatening other people's physical safety.



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