



# STUDENT CENTER USAGE POLICY

The primary purpose of the Southern Arkansas University Tech ("SAUT") Student Center ("facility") is to serve a planned program of educational activity. While SAUT facilities and properties are utilized primarily to fulfill the educational mission of SAUT, certain facilities and properties are made available for use by recognized student organizations, SAUT departments, public and non-public groups, provided there is no conflict with SAUT scheduled events and the usage and event does not detract from SAUT's mission. SAUT does not grant rental rights for educational activities that may be in direct competition with SAUT's current or potential offerings.

**AUDIO/VIDEO EQUIPMENT:** SAUT will make available a podium with microphone, stage, sound system, multimedia projector, and screen. Use of SAUT audio/video equipment requires a walkthrough/training with an SAUT Information Technology Services (ITS) technician one week prior to event. The renter will be charged a \$110 technical support fee for this service. Renter can arrange training by contacting ITS during regular business hours at 870.574.4429 or via email at [atubervi@sautech.edu](mailto:atubervi@sautech.edu). See the "Facility Contacts" section of this document for regular business hours. Additional technical support requested prior to or during the event will be provided at an additional fee of \$55.00 per hour, two hour minimum. Questions related to the A/V equipment should be directed to the ITS department at 870.574.4513 or via email at [ljohnson@sautech.edu](mailto:ljohnson@sautech.edu).

**CANCELLATION & REFUND:** The damage deposit and rental fee are non-transferable and will be forfeited if a two week notice of cancellation is not given.

**CONDITIONS:** The following applies to all reservation requests, including those requested by or for individual faculty, staff, students, registered student organizations, community groups, and all outside entities:

- SAUT reserves the right to cancel an event at any time should it conflict with any SAUT need, academic endeavor or activity.
- Facility security will be under the control of SAUT and rental activities will be open to inspection by SAUT officials at all times.
- Facility is scheduled on a first come, first served basis.
- Any group or individual that causes damage to SAUT property must pay any charges necessary to return property to its original state. SAUT employees, students or organizations may be subject to disciplinary action.
- Use of facility must be made in full compliance with existing local, state, and federal laws.
- Renter or renter's authorized agent signing the facility use contract will be held responsible for all fees, damages, and all costs associated with reservation.
- Renter agrees to indemnify SAUT and hold SAUT harmless for any accident, personal injury or personal theft caused as a result of negligence or misconduct during, or associated with, reservation.
- Renter is prohibited from using the names "Southern Arkansas University Tech", "SAU Tech" or "SAUT" in any publicity, advertisement or material to imply sponsorship or endorsement. The only permitted use is to indicate location and should read as follows: Location – Southern Arkansas University Tech or Location – SAU Tech or Location – SAUT.
- Renter is prohibited from possessing, consuming or serving alcoholic beverages on SAUT property.
- Renter agrees to observe and enforce the no-smoking or use of tobacco products policy on SAUT property.
- No weapons are allowed on SAUT property except for SAUT Campus Police or other certified law enforcement officers.
- Renter will not have exclusive use of parking facilities. If renter holds event during peak times that students are on campus, renter may not have adequate parking.
- No facility keys will be provided to renter; SAUT Campus Police will be responsible for opening and closing facility.
- Under no circumstances will the stated capacity of facility be exceeded.
- Reservation must be made by an adult (21 years of age or older) representative of the group that will be using facility.
- Failure to abide by SAUT facility usage policies and rules of conduct may result in the cancellation or refusal of future reservations.

**DAMAGE DEPOSIT:** A damage deposit will be required to confirm reservation. Damage deposit will be paid when reservation is booked by SAUT. Damage deposit will be returned when an inspection determines that all furniture, equipment, and facility are in satisfactory condition, and it is determined that renter adhered to all facility policies. Failure to follow facility policies will result in partial or full loss of damage deposit. Renter will forfeit all or part of damage deposit if there is evidence of tables and/or chairs being dragged across the floor; there is evidence of tobacco, alcohol or illegal drug use; there is evidence of damage to furniture, facility and/or equipment; and excessive amount of cleanup is required by SAUT.

**DAYS & HOURS AVAILABLE:** Facility is available to renter Monday through Thursday 8:00 am to 10:00 pm and Friday through Sunday 8:00 am to 12:00 am (midnight). These hours include setup and cleanup by renter. Facility will not be available when SAUT's campus is closed. SAUT will also block the use of facility for required maintenance.

**DECORATIONS:** Renter is responsible for removal and disposal of all decorations immediately following event. Please note the following:

- Fresh flowers or similar centerpieces are welcome.
- Open flames, pyrotechnics, and fog/smoke machines are prohibited.
- Decorations may not be suspended from ceilings, light fixtures, windows or door frames.
- Nothing can be affixed to walls, windows, tables, floors or equipment.
- Signs and/or banners must be free standing or attached to an easel.
- Use of glitter, sequins or confetti is prohibited.
- Animals are prohibited with the exception of service animals according to the Americans with Disabilities Act and Law Enforcement standards.
- Vehicles, trailers, and/or heavy equipment are not allowed inside SAUT facilities unless approval is given by the Director of Physical Plant prior to event.
- Rearrangement of furniture is prohibited.
- Alteration or physical modification of SAUT property is prohibited.
- Dragging tables and chairs across floor is prohibited.



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**EMERGENCY CALL-OUT:** SAUT personnel are on call after regular business hours should renter face an emergency which may cause damage to facility i.e. electrical outages, broken water lines, plumbing, heat and air, etc. Renter will not be charged a call-out fee if SAUT deems the call-out to be an emergency and no fault of renter; however, renter will be charged a call-out fee should the call-out be deemed a non-emergency and intentionally caused by renter, i.e. activating smoke alarms due to use of fog machine and/or guests smoking, overflow of toilets due to excessive tissue and/or towels, etc. Non-emergency call-out fee is \$100.00 per hour, one hour minimum. Should renter face an emergency after regular business hours, renter will contact SAUT Campus Police by calling 870.818.6353 or 870.574.4517.

**FACILITY CONTACTS:** Should renter have questions relating to facility during regular business hours, renter will contact SAUT Facilities Scheduling Coordinator by calling 870.574.4564. Regular business hours are Monday through Thursday 7:00 am to 4:30 pm and Friday 7:00 am to 11:00 am. Summer business hours are Monday through Thursday 6:30 am to 5:00 pm and closed on Friday. Should renter have questions after regular business hours, renter will contact SAUT Campus Police by calling 870.818.6353 or 870.574.4517.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER:** Should inclement weather make it necessary to close SAUT's campus, all SAUT facilities, including SAUT Student Center, will be closed. Radio stations KAMD FM 97.1, KCXY-Y95 FM 95.3, and KMGC FM 104.5 will be notified, and KATV Channel 7 will be notified when possible. Every effort will be made to notify stations by 7:00 am. Cancellations concerning evening events will be announced as soon as a decision is made. Renter may also call 870.574.4500 to know the status of SAUT facilities. Efforts are also made to post campus closings on SAUT's website.

**INSURANCE:** If warranted by the nature of event, SAUT may require renter to obtain appropriate insurance coverage and/or to indemnify SAUT, its officials, and employees for any claims pertaining to the use of facility. Renter may be required to obtain insurance with bodily injury coverage of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence, aggregate of at least \$3,000,000 for event. Renter will be required to provide a certificate of insurance issued by companies authorized to do business in the state of Arkansas, and SAUT will be named as an additional insured on the policy. The policy will cover personal injury from all causes.

**PAYMENT OF FEES:** Payment of all fees will be made prior to scheduled event. Damage deposit will be paid when the reservation is requested to confirm and hold the date. The rental fee will be paid two weeks prior to event. Checks will be made payable to SAUT and mailed (or delivered) to SAUT Business Office, Post Office Box 3499, Camden, Arkansas 71711-1599.

**RESERVATIONS:** Reservations for facility can be made by calling SAUT Facilities Scheduling Coordinator at 1.870.574.4564. SAUT will book reservations one year in advance. All reservations require a minimum two week notice to use facility. Renter must complete a signed facility use contract with SAUT two weeks prior to event.

**FACILITY TOUR:** Should renter desire to tour the facility, renter will contact SAUT Physical Plant at 870.574.4516 during regular business hours.

**ROOM SET-UP:** Renter is required to provide SAUT with desired room configuration. Room configuration will be provided by renter two weeks prior to event. If reservation is made within two weeks of event, configuration will be provided at time of reservation. If renter has a change in attendance or configuration SAUT must be notified one week prior to event to avoid a change-in-reservation late fee. Change-in-reservation late fee will be \$100.00 per change and will be due at the time change is requested. SAUT will provide all tables and chairs. SAUT will setup and teardown each event. Custodial service is included in rental fee.

**CATERING:** External renters may use the caterer of their choice with no additional fee. If renter would like to use SAU Tech's dining service, contact the vendor at 870.574.4456. Internal renters should refer to SAU Tech's internal rental policy.

**SECURITY:** SAUT reserves the right to require and approve security at selected events. SAUT requires the use of official law enforcement officials for these purposes. Renter will work directly with local law enforcement to coordinate an officer for all hours event is taking place on SAUT property and all fees will be renter's expense. Renter will be required to provide proof that an officer has been scheduled two weeks prior to event or reservation will be cancelled.



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<b><u>FACILITY RENTAL FEES</u></b>	<b>Rental Fee (Full Day)</b>	<b>Damage Deposit (Full Day)</b>	<b>Technical Support Fee</b>
Grand Hall I & II – For Profit Organization	1200.00	600.00	\$110.00
Grand Hall I & II – Non-Profit Organization	600.00	300.00	\$110.00
Grand Hall I & II – SAUT Supporting Partner	600.00	300.00	\$110.00
Grand Hall I & II – Government Agency	600.00	300.00	\$110.00
Grand Hall I or II – For Profit Organization	800.00	400.00	\$110.00
Grand Hall I or II – Non-Profit Organization	400.00	200.00	\$110.00
Grand Hall I or II – SAUT Supporting Partner	400.00	200.00	\$110.00
Grand Hall I or II – Government Agency	\$400.00	200.00	\$110.00

For-Profit Organization = Any particular organization or person that does not fall under one of the other categories.

Non-Profit Organization = Recognized as a 501(c) tax exempt organization; renter must provide 501(c) status documentation

SAUT Supporting Partner = Having donated \$10,000 or more to SAUT or SAUT Foundation during the previous or current fiscal year

Government Agency = A federal, state or local administrative unit of government that is responsible for the oversight and management of specific functions which are executive in character.

Half Day = Four (4) hours

Additional technical support = \$55.00 per hour, two hour minimum

## **SEATING CAPACITY**

Grand Hall I & II .....Chairs Only.....	2100
Grand Hall I & II .....Round Tables & Chairs .....	1000
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