



## **HOVERBOARD POLICY**

**Office of Public Information**

Effective: January 19, 2016

### **Purpose**

To protect the safety and ensure the comfort of students, faculty, staff, and others on campus.

### **Scope**

This policy applies to all faculty, staff, students, and visitors on campus.

### **Policy**

Following numerous reports of fire hazards stemming from the use and charging of electronic skateboards (also known as "hoverboards"), the University of Louisiana Monroe has decided to immediately ban these and similarly self-balancing electric devices. This decision was made in an effort to maintain a safe and healthy working, teaching, and learning environment on campus.

No electronic skateboard devices will be permitted for use, charging, possession or storage on University grounds or inside buildings, including residence halls, suites and campus apartments. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is actively investigating numerous hoverboard-related fires and injuries in order to determine the root cause of the fire hazard. Until proper safety standards are put in place for hoverboards, this university-wide ban will remain in effect.

Your safety, and the safety of our community, is our number one priority. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.