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MEMORANDUM – JABSOM Skateboard, Bicycle and Surfboard Policy

The University has an obligation to provide a safe environment and protect University property. JABSOM recognizes that students, faculty, and staff use a variety of means of transportation on campus. Although personal choice is important, JABSOM must consider the safety and well-being of the campus community and our visitors as well as JABSOM property. Activities that include skateboarding may cause damage to sidewalks. In addition, there is a potential for injury to both the person doing the activity and the public at large. In an effort to balance our concern for community safety and the ability to use these means of transportation, the following policy applies to the use of bicycles and skateboards on campus (policies applicable to skateboards apply to roller-skates and in-line skates).

Skateboarding, conducted in a reckless manner can be dangerous and presents a safety issue for pedestrians, as well as the skate boarder. Skateboarding has also caused significant damage to benches, walls, steps, curbs, and receptacles around campus. Nevertheless, skateboarding, when good judgment is exercised is an effective means to travel in urban areas.

Skateboard (as well as roller skates and rollerblades) and bicycle use on JABSOM premises is allowed. However, it is the person on the skateboard or bicycle that is responsible for avoiding pedestrians and not the other way around. The use of these items, involves an assumption of personal risk. Persons who use them are personally liable for their actions

Skateboards and bicycles shall be used solely to convey a person and shall not be used to perform tricks or carryout reckless or risky actions such as riding on ledges or using on steps.

Bicycles shall not be brought into any building.

No person shall perform or attempt to perform any trick riding that may be dangerous or hazardous to the rider or any other person.

In areas where riding is permitted, no person shall ride a bicycle at such speed or in any manner so as to endanger or interfere with pedestrians. Pedestrians shall have the right of way at all times.

Bicycles shall be secured to a bicycle rack outside the MEB or BSB. Bicycles shall not be secured to any device such as a street sign other than a bicycle rack.

Bicycles shall not be left in a bicycle rack for an extended period of time (greater than one week).

To facilitate grounds keeping, whenever possible, a bicycle secured in a bicycle rack shall be secured in such a fashion that a tire or any other portion of the bicycle does not extend onto the lawn or ground cover.

JABSOM is not responsible for any bicycle secured in a bicycle rack.

Skateboards shall not be stowed in any break rooms or meeting rooms.

Skateboards shall never be stowed in such a fashion that egress would be impeded.

Skateboards shall not be stowed in an overhead area (e.g. on locker tops).

When two or more people share a cube each person assigned to the cube must agree to stow a skateboard in the work area/cube.

Skateboards are not allowed in laboratories. For those personnel who do not have an assigned cube or office - the work area is a lab – arrangements to stow a skateboard shall be made with the PI/Department Head.

Skateboards shall not be stowed in a manner to be a trip hazard.

Cannot be stowed where the skateboard can fall on one's head (e.g. on locker tops)

No surfboards are allowed in buildings. A storage rack for surfboards is available on a first-come, first-serve basis for those who have submitted the JABSOM Surfboard Rack Use form. Surfboard racks are in the inside the Mailroom in the Loading Dock Area.