I. PURPOSE & INTENT
This policy provides guidelines for an editorially independent student press at the University of South Florida (USF) Tampa Campus and the press’ authority to serve readers as the First Amendment gives it the right. Regional campuses and separately accredited institutions may have student publications and administrative offices unique to their campuses. Students, faculty and staff must check with their individual campuses and must apply policies in conjunction and consistent with the specific characteristics and guidelines applicable to those campuses.

II. STATEMENT OF POLICY
The USF Tampa Campus will establish and maintain an atmosphere of responsible discussion through the student newspaper, *The Oracle*, in the Office of Student Publications in Student Affairs and Student Success. USF will allow for the discussion of current issues and problems through the delivery of content written, edited and managed by students across all platforms (print, online, social media, video).

- *The Oracle* Editor in Chief has final authority on all news content.
- *The Oracle* will abide by the Associate Collegiate Press Code of Ethics.

The Director of Student Publications will serve as liaison between USF Tampa Administration and *The Oracle* student staff.

*Current Responsible Office: Student Affairs and Student Success*

*Refer to the appropriate Responsible Office website for a current name of the Vice President or other Responsible Officer.*

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