Animals in the Workplace

The University workplace is a diverse environment of classrooms, offices, and laboratories where many different activities are performed. Visitors to the workplace are generally welcome, and in some settings even encouraged. However, appropriate precautions and limitations on visitation are necessary to protect health and safety, and to maintain productivity and regulatory compliance.

Keeping this in mind, with the exception of service dogs or other service animals used to guide or assist persons with disabilities, employees may bring animals to University workplaces only with prior permission from the department head and only for official purposes.