**What are your rights as a photojournalist?**

**Where can you capture photos at a university?**

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| **Public** | **Private** |
| Outdoor Locations (visible to public foot traffic)   * Sidewalk * Parking Lot * Sport Fields * Parks | Locker Rooms   * Certain times may be permissible based on the events inside, but permission should be gathered prior to entrance. * Permission/consent may be granted by athletic director and/or coaches. |
| Hallways | Restrooms   * Public place but there’s an **expectation of privacy**. |
| Classrooms   * Classrooms used as public gatherings would be considered a public forum. * Classrooms are a public space unless it’s in-session or used for private meetings/gathers. | Classrooms In-Session   * Permission/consent may be granted by teachers/instructors and/or administration officials. |
| Library | Fraternity/Sorority Homes   * Permission may be granted by Greek life leadership. |
| Student Union/Campus Center | Dorm Rooms   * Permission/consent may be granted by residents and/or resident housing officials. |
| Board of Trustees Meeting/Student Government Meetings   * Public unless in executive session or a private meeting. | Medical Facilities   * Permission may be granted by leadership in the medical department and/or administration. |
|  | Privately-owned buildings on or near the campus   * Permission/consent may be granted by building owners. |

**TIPS:**

* When in doubt about your rights to photograph specific areas, ask for permission/consent.
  + Written consent is preferred.
* Always wear your press credentials to identify yourself as a press reporter/journalist.
* If it can be viewed from a public area, it can be photographed. \*
  + Within reason:
    - You can NOT use your camera on public property to take a photo of someone in a private room through their window.