



UNIVERSITY PARK ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Statement Regarding Controversial Speaker Events

In an effort to address concerns regarding the funding of controversial speakers on campus, we have decided to release a statement that explicitly outlines our position as the University Park Allocation Committee (UPAC).

As a university-affiliated organization, the University Park Allocation Committee operates with the intent to enhance the knowledge and experience of students outside the classroom. Penn State is a public institution, and precedent requires that any allocating body remain viewpoint neutral in their funding decisions. Remaining viewpoint neutral is an integral part of the role we play in judiciously allocating a portion of the student fee to enhance the student experience here at University Park. Furthermore, viewpoint neutrality helps to ensure accessibility to all students who attend our institution.

The content and opinions of any event's speaker(s) reside solely with the speaker(s) and their respective organization and not with the Pennsylvania State University or the University Park Allocation Committee. Moving forward in our collective efforts to shape a well-rounded experience, we encourage all student organizations to explore their role in curating a safe and welcoming environment for all University Park students. In doing so, UPAC is excited to serve as a supportive force in making students' aspirations a reality.