

**Department of Microbiology & Immunology policy on student announcements during class time**

"Course instructors are responsible for ensuring that class time is used for academic purposes that benefit all students. Our departmental policy specifies that only announcements or material related to the University's academic programs (e.g. co-op and integrated sciences programs), or that the instructor judges to be clearly of benefit to all students, can be presented or distributed during class time or advertised on the course website. Written requests to make such announcements or to distribute material (along with a sample of the material to be presented or distributed) must be sent to the instructor in advance and approved by the instructor. Class time cannot be used for the benefit of private organizations nor can the department or UBC be seen as endorsing specific political or religious views, or endorsing candidates for student elections or other political office. Announcements, surveys, sign-up sheets, petitions, etc. related to non-academic programs or organizations are not permitted in the classroom during class time. However, UBC-related organizations may distribute material to students outside of the classroom or post notices in appropriate places outside of the classroom. If you wish to discuss this further, please contact the Department Head or the Associate Dean for Student Services for the Faculty of Science."