## **Comparative Value Guide**

# Primary General Liability (GL) Coverage





Since United Educators' (UE's) founding in 1987, our focus has been exclusively on education and finding new ways to meet our members' insurance coverage needs, manage risks, and efficiently resolve claims. When it comes to liability insurance, UE offers broad coverage. Use this checklist to compare the value and benefits of UE's primary general liability (GL) coverage with alternatives you might be considering.

First, review the coverage and value of UE's policy. Next, determine if alternative options provide the same comprehensive benefits. Any gaps in coverage or value by the other carrier represent a potential liability. If it is unclear how another policy may respond, ask that carrier's Underwriter to state the coverage position.

Discuss your comparison with your UE representative at any time. We're here to help.

# **GL** Coverage Comparison

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Who's Insured	UE	Other Carrier	Other Carrier
The policy typically covers:			
The educational institution, any not-for-profit subsidiary, and affiliated organizations that share common purpose with the institution and are included in its financial statements	Yes		
<ul> <li>Newly formed/acquired entities, including for-profit entities (automatic 60-day coverage)</li> </ul>	Yes		
While acting within the scope of their duties to the institution:			
<ul> <li>Past, present, or future trustees, directors, and officers as well as their estates, heirs, legal representatives, spouses, and domestic partners for acts of the trustees, directors, and officers</li> </ul>	Yes		
<ul> <li>Employees, faculty, student teachers, teaching assistants, volunteers, and committee members, including institutional review board members (at the option of the instituton)</li> </ul>	Yes		
<ul> <li>Representatives to an education association of which the insured institution is a member (at the option of the institution)</li> </ul>	Yes		
<ul> <li>Employed allied health personnel, including nurse practitioners, physicians assistants, psychologists, counselors, registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, and certified athletic trainers for services provided to students and employees of the educational organization (at the option of the institution)</li> </ul>	Yes		



### Who's Insured

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• Students in a supervised non-professional internship program in satisfaction of course requirements, or while performing services primarily for the educational organization or complying with policies and procedures governing conduct (such as "honor code") (at the option of the institution)

Yes

• People or organizations to whom the educational organization is contractually obligated to provide liability insurance

Yes



#### What's Covered

#### The policy typically protects your insureds against claims such as:

#### **Alcohol Use and Abuse**

Inadequate enforcement of alcohol or substance abuse policies	Yes	
Sales and service	Yes	
Underage drinking on- and off-campus	Yes	

**Tip:** Alcohol is often a factor in serious injury claims, including sexual assault.

#### Athletic injuries, including those arising from:

Acrobatics, gymnastics, tumbling	Yes	
Cheerleading	Yes	
Intercollegiate athletics	Yes	
Intramural and club sports	Yes	
Rowing or sculling shells	Yes	
Summer camps	Yes	
Swimming pools, water sports	Yes	
Trampolines and other rebounding devices	Yes	
Wilderness/survival programs	Yes	

**Tip:** UE claims show that some of the most severe injuries on campus are attributable to athletics. Ask your UE representative for the report, What's Causing Athletic Injuries? Lessons From Claims



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#### **Child Care and Students**

Sexual misconduct up to full policy limits, including sexual assault, sexual abuse, and wrongful sexual conduct (where endorsement applies)	Yes	
Corporal punishment	Yes	
Day care operation	Yes	

**Tip:** Proper oversight and risk mitigation strategies must be in place when adults have regular or unsupervised access to minors. Ask your UE representative for *Checklist: Protecting Minors on Campus From Sexual Misconduct — Managing Campus Contractors and Student Educators.* 

#### **International Travel**

Institutionally sponsored overseas trips	Yes	
Limited non-owned auto liability in foreign countries	Yes	
Semester or year abroad programs	Yes	

**Coverage note:** Many general liability policies cover claims that occur overseas, but require that the suit be brought in the U.S. or Canada. UE has no such restrictions and has defended suits overseas by foreign nationals alleging negligence by students or faculty abroad. As students and faculty travel abroad with greater frequency, the institution's exposure for a foreign suit increases.

**Tip:** Short-term international programs are frequently organized just before departure by faculty with limited knowledge of the potential risks. Ask your UE representative for *Checklist for Higher Ed Administrators: Managing Study Abroad Programs*.

#### **Pollution arising out of:**

Collision or overturning of an automobile	Yes	
Damage to neighbors' person or property from above-ground escape of pollutants	Yes	
Application of chlorine to swimming pools by licensed professionals	Yes	
Fumes from laboratory accidents	Yes	
Pesticide and herbicide applications by licensed employees	Yes	

**Coverage note:** UE can cover the escape of pollutants above-ground when the escape starts/stops within a week, is discovered by the institution within two weeks, and reported to us within two months.



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## **Security**

<ul> <li>False arrest, illegal search, and other civil rights violations (when Seamless Coverage endorsement applies)</li> </ul>	Yes	
Use of reasonable force to protect persons or property	Yes	
Security personnel, armed and unarmed	Yes	

## **Other Important Coverages**

Bacterial/viral food poisoning	Yes	
Bacterial/viral infectious diseases, other than pandemics or epidemics identified by a governmental entity	Yes	
Campus housing	Yes	
Damage caused by defect, deficiency, inadequacy, or dangerous condition in institution's products	Yes	
Emotional distress	Yes	
Employee benefits errors and omissions coverage	Yes	
Fire legal liability and water damage from fire (\$1 million limits)	Yes	
Non-flight aircraft used in repair curriculum	Yes	
Model aircraft	Yes	
Non-submersible watercraft up to 50 feet long	Yes	
Personal injury and advertising, including such injury that arises from internet use	Yes	





## **Risk Management**

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UE members receive complimentary access to our suite of risk management resources tailored to the educational environment. Resources include:

Access to risk management consultants for tailored guidance	Yes	
Claims analyses and advice on hot topics such as concussions, Title IX, campus safety, and short-term international travel	Yes	
A dedicated library of online courses for students, staff, and faculty	Yes	



## **Seamless Coverage**

Educational organizations that purchase both UE Educators Legal Liability and Primary General Liability policies have Seamless Coverage providing the following benefits:

<ul> <li>Crisis response benefits, known as <i>ProResponse</i><sup>®</sup>, provides reimbursement for expert services for crisis communications/public relations, sexual misconduct investigation, threat assessment, and/or trauma/grief counseling. Limits apply.</li> </ul>	Yes	
Lowest retention policy applies with coverage applicable from both policies	Yes	
Minimizes potential for coverage gaps	Yes	
Peace of mind by eliminating disputes between different insurance carriers	Yes	



## The UE Advantage

UE is owned and governed by the institutions it insures. We provide value and customer service above and beyond other carriers as evidenced by the following factors:

Policy non-cancellable except for nonpayment of premium	Yes	
Underwriters willing to work with institutions and their brokers to craft coverage solutions for specialized needs	Yes	
Subrogation rights can be waived prior to occurrence	Yes	
24/7 access to claims professionals to assist the institution in the event of catastrophic loss	Yes	
Claims managed by education specialists	Yes	





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