

# THE 2023 ANNUAL SECURITY AND FIRE SAFETY REPORT

## A Message From The Chief of Police:

Welcome to Bloomsburg!

At Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg, campus safety and security is a shared responsibility. Clearly, the best protection against campus crime is an aware, informed, alert campus community; and a highly visible pro-active police presence.

The vast majority of our students, faculty, staff and visitors never experience crime at Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg. However, despite our best efforts, crimes may still occur. The men and women of the University Police Department are committed to maintaining a safe and secure campus by providing contemporary and professional policing with a strong emphasis on customer service.

The hallmark of our service will be a dedication to the principles of honor, integrity, discipline, trust and dedication. If you have concerns, questions or comments about our department, federal or state law or Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg's compliance with these laws, please contact the Chief of Police at 570-389-2211.

The information contained in this Annual Security and Fire Report is available to new and prospective students and employees as well as their families and all current members of the campus community. We are committed to campus safety and security, in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Statistics Act (The Clery Act), and the Pennsylvania Uniform Crime Reporting Act.

Ramon Welkom, Chief of Police  
Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg  
A PLEAC Accredited Law Enforcement Agency

## What is the Clery Act?

Signed into law in 1990, the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act) is a federal law that requires post-secondary institutions that participate in Title IV programs to disclose certain timely and annual information about their campus' crime, security, and fire policies. The Clery Act was championed by Howard and Connie Clery after their daughter, Jeanne, was murdered at Lehigh University in 1986.

A copy of the Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Annual Security Report can be obtained at the University Police Department, the university office of Human Resources and Labor Relations and the university Admissions Office or by accessing the following web site:

<https://www.bloomu.edu/documents/annual-security-report>

This report includes statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on-campus; in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg or student organizations that are officially recognized by the institution; and on public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible, from the campus. The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, such as policies concerning sexual assault, and other matters.

Fire statistics are provided for on-campus housing. To keep the university community informed of personal safety issues on campus, each year Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg's safety and security policy statements and statistics are published and widely distributed. This is in compliance with the federal Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990.

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# Definitions

**Aggravated assault** - An unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm.

**Arrest** - Persons processed by arrests, citation or summons.

**Arson** - Any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

**Burglary** - The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft.

**Category of Fire** - For HEA purposes, there are three categories of fire: Unintentional Fire: A fire that does not involve an intentional human act to ignite or spread fire into an area where the fire should not be. Intentional Fire: A fire that is ignited, or that results from a deliberate action, in circumstances where the person knows there should not be a fire. Undetermined Fire: A fire in which the cause cannot be determined.

**Cause of Fire** - The factor or factors that give rise to a fire. The causal factor may be, but is not limited to, the result of an intentional or unintentional action, mechanical failure or act of nature.

**Consent** - In relation to sexual activity, the Title IX office of Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg defines consent as words or actions that demonstrate an affirmative, knowing and voluntary agreement to engage in a mutually agreed-upon sexual act. Consent must be informed and freely given. Consent is invalidated when it is forced, coerced, or when a person is physically and/or mentally incapable of giving consent. For example, a person who is substantially impaired by drugs or alcohol may not be able to consent. Some signs of substantial impairment may include, but are not limited to, loss of balance/inability to walk without stumbling, slurred speech, inability to focus their vision, vomiting, erratic or extreme behavior, knowledge of person's significant use of drugs or alcohol, or passing out. Consent is an active, on-going process. It can be withdrawn at any time, and consent for one sexual act does not imply consent for another subsequent sexual act. Consent, a lack of consent or a withdrawal of consent can be expressed by words or actions or both. For example, verbal silence or the absence of physical resistance does not automatically mean someone has consented to a sexual act; nor is physical

resistance required for a person to verbally communicate a lack of consent or to withdraw consent. In relation to this, there is no Pennsylvania state definition.

**Dating violence** - Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim.

(i) The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party's statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

(ii) For the purposes of this definition: (A) Dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse. (B) Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence.

(iii) Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

There is no Pennsylvania state definition for dating violence.

**Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property** - To willfully or maliciously destroy, damage, deface, or otherwise injure real or personal property without the consent of the owner or the person having custody or control of it.

**Domestic violence** - (i) A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed: (A) By a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim; (B) By a person with whom the victim shares a child in common; (C) By a person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the victim as a spouse or intimate partner; (D) By a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred; or (E) By any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

(ii) Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

There is no Pennsylvania state definition for domestic violence.

**Drug abuse violations** - The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution and/or use of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their preparation and/or use. The unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation or importation of any controlled drug or narcotic substance.

Arrests for violations of state and local laws, specifically those relating to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing and making of narcotic drugs. The relevant substances include: opium or cocaine and their derivatives (morphine, heroin, codeine); marijuana; synthetic narcotics - manufactured narcotics which can cause true addiction (Demerol, Methadone); and dangerous nonnarcotic drugs (barbiturates, Benzedrine).

**Fire** - Any instance of open flame or other burning in a place not intended to contain the burning or in an uncontrolled manner.

**Fire-related death** - Any instance in which a person: (1) Is killed as a result of a fire, including death resulting from a natural or accidental cause while involved in fire control, attempting rescue, or escaping from the dangers of a fire; or (2) Dies within one year of injuries sustained as a result of the fire.

**Fire-related injury** - Any instance in which a person is injured as a result of a fire, including an injury sustained from a natural or accidental cause, while involved in fire control, attempting rescue, or escaping from the dangers of the fire. The term "person" may include students, employees, visitors, firefighters, or any other individuals.

**Hate Crime** - a criminal offense that manifests evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the perpetrator's bias against the victim. Although there are many possible categories of bias, under the Clery Act, only the following eight categories are reported:

i. Race. A preformed negative attitude toward a group of persons who possess common physical characteristics, e.g., color of skin, eyes, and/or hair; facial features, etc., genetically transmitted by descent and heredity which distinguish them as a distinct division of humankind, e.g., Asians, blacks or African Americans, whites.

ii. Religion. A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons who share the same religious beliefs regarding the origin and purpose of the universe and the existence or nonexistence of a supreme being, e.g., Catholics, Jews, Protestants, atheists.

iii. Sexual Orientation. A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their actual or perceived sexual orientation. Sexual Orientation is the term for a person's physical, romantic, and/or emotional attraction to members of the same and/or opposite sex, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, and heterosexual (straight) individuals.

iv. Gender. A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a person or group of persons based on their actual or perceived gender, e.g., male or female.

v. Gender Identity. A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a person or group of persons based on their actual or perceived gender identity, e.g., bias against transgender or gender non-conforming individuals. Gender non-conforming describes a person who does not conform to the gender-based expectations of society, e.g., a woman dressed in traditionally male clothing or a man wearing makeup. A gender non-conforming person may or may not be a lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender person but may be perceived as such.

vi. Ethnicity. A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of people whose members identify with each other, through a common heritage, often consisting of a common language, common culture (often including a shared religion) and/or ideology that stresses common ancestry. The concept of ethnicity differs from the closely related term "race" in that "race" refers to a grouping based mostly upon biological criteria, while "ethnicity" also encompasses additional cultural factors.

vii. National Origin. A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of people based on their actual or perceived country of birth. This bias may be against people that have a name or accent associated with a national origin group, participate in certain customs associated with a national origin group, or because they are married to or associate with people of a certain national origin.

viii. Disability. A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their physical or mental impairments, whether such disability is temporary or permanent, congenital or acquired by heredity, accident, injury, advanced age or illness.

For Clery Act purposes, Hate Crimes include any of the following offenses that are motivated by bias: Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter, Sexual Assault, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Motor Vehicle Theft, Arson, Larceny-Theft, Simple Assault, Intimidation, Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property. In addition to those offenses, Larceny-Theft, Simple Assault, Intimidation, and Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property are included only if they are Hate Crimes.

**Intimidation** - To unlawfully place another person in reasonable fear of bodily harm through the use of threatening words and/or other conduct, but without displaying a weapon or subjecting the victim to actual physical attack.

**Larceny-Theft** - The unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property

from the possession or constructive possession of another. Constructive possession is the condition in which a person does not have physical custody or possession, but is in a position to exercise dominion or control over a thing.

**Liquor law violations** - The violation of state or local laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, or use of alcoholic beverages, not including driving under the influence and drunkenness. Include in this classification: the manufacture, sale, transporting, furnishing, possessing, etc., of intoxicating liquor; maintaining unlawful drinking places; bootlegging; operating still; furnishing liquor to a minor or intemperate person; underage possession; using a vehicle for illegal transportation of liquor; drinking on train or public conveyance; and attempts to commit any of the above.

**Manslaughter by Negligence** - the killing of another person through gross negligence.

**Motor vehicle theft** - The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle.

**Murder and non-negligent manslaughter** - The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

**Non-campus building or property**

- (1) Any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the institution; or (2) Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution that is used in direct support of, or in relation to, the institution's educational purposes, is frequently used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution.

**On-campus** - (1) Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area and used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the institution's educational purposes, including residence halls; and (2) Any building or property that is within or reasonably contiguous to paragraph (1) of this definition, that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, is frequently used by students, and supports institutional purposes (such as a food or other retail vendor).

**On-Campus Student Housing Facility** - Any student housing facility that is owned or controlled by the institution, or is located on property that is owned or controlled by the institution, and is within the reasonably contiguous geographic area that makes up the campus is considered an on-campus

student housing facility.

**Property damage** - The estimated value of the loss of the structure and contents, in terms of the cost of replacement in like kind and quantity. This estimate should include contents damaged by fire, and related damages caused by smoke, water, and overhaul; however, it does not include indirect loss, such as business interruption.

**Public property** - All public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that is within the campus, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

**Referred for disciplinary action** - The referral of any person to any official who initiates a disciplinary action of which a record is kept and which may result in the imposition of a sanction.

**Robbery** - The taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.

**Sexual Assault** - An offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape as used in the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program. Per the National Incident-Based Reporting System User Manual from the FBI UCR Program, a sex offense is any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent. A. Rape is the penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus, with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim. This offense includes the rape of both males and females. B. Fondling is the touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity. C. Incest is sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law. D. Statutory Rape is sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

**PENNSYLVANIA STATE DEFINITION OF SEXUAL ASSAULT FROM PA TITLE 18 (Crimes and Offenses), SECTION 3124.1:** Except as provided in section 3121 (relating to rape) or 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual intercourse), a person commits a felony of the second degree when that person engages in sexual intercourse or deviate sexual intercourse with a complainant without the complainant's consent Please see the CU Sexual Misconduct Policy for the institutional definition.

**Simple Assault** - An unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.

**Stalking** - (i) Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to: (A) Fear for the person's safety or the safety of others; or (B) Suffer substantial emotional distress.

(ii) For the purposes of this definition: (A) Course of conduct means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts in which the stalker directly, indirectly, or through third parties, by any action, method, device, or means, follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about a person, or interferes with a person's property. (B) Reasonable person means a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the victim. (C) Substantial emotional distress means significant mental suffering or anguish that may, but does not necessarily, require

medical or other professional treatment or counseling.

(iii) Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE DEFINITION FROM PA TITLE 18 (Crimes and Offenses)  
SECTION 2709.1: A person commits the crime of stalking when the person either:

(1) engages in a course of conduct or repeatedly commits acts toward another person, including following the person without proper authority, under circumstances which demonstrate either an intent to place such other person in reasonable fear of bodily injury or to cause substantial emotional distress to such other person; or (2) engages in a course of conduct or repeatedly communicates to another person under circumstances which demonstrate or communicate either an intent to place such other person in reasonable fear of bodily injury or to cause substantial emotional distress to such other person.

**Unfounded Crime** – A crime is considered unfounded for Clery Act purposes only if sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel make a formal

determination that the report is false or baseless after a full investigation by sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel.

**Violence Against Women Act** - On March 07, 2013 the Violence Against Women Act, (VAWA) was signed into law. This has prompted changes to the Clery Act. It has added Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking to the required crimes statistics to be counted in the Annual Security Report.

**Weapons: carrying, possessing, etc.** - The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment, or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices or other deadly weapons. This classification encompasses weapons offenses that are regulatory in nature. Include in this classification: manufacture, sale or possession of deadly weapons; carrying deadly weapons, concealed or openly; using, manufacturing, etc, of silencers; furnishing deadly weapons to minors; aliens possessing deadly weapons; and attempts to commit any of the above.

## Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act

THERE WERE NO HATE CRIMES REPORTED IN 2020, 2021, OR 2022			ON CAMPUS			ON CAMPUS STUDENT HOUSING FACILITIES			NON-CAMPUS			PUBLIC PROPERTY			
CRIMES	2020	2021	2022	2020	2021	2022	2020	2021	2022	2020	2021	2022	2020	2021	2022
Murder/Non-negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	5	2	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	1	3	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	4	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Burglary	1	1	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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<b>ARRESTS</b>															
Weapons Possessions	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	33	20	7	23	5	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1
Liquor Law Violations	61	37	45	49	32	31	0	0	0	1	4	9			
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<b>DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS</b>															
Weapons Possessions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	5	1	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Liquor Law Violations	27	8	36	26	8	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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<b>VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT</b>															
Dating Violence	3	2	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Violence	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	4	5	7	4	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**UNFOUNDED CRIMES:** There were 0 in 2020, 0 in 2021, and 2 in 2022

An unfounded crime is a reported crime that upon investigation by law enforcement authorities is found to be false or baseless.

Only sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel may unfound a crime.

University Police did not receive a response for statistics from all requested agencies

# Uniform Crime Report Statistics For Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg

<b>OFFENSES</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>Crime Rate</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>Crime Rate</b>
Homicide	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000
Rape	0	0.00000	2	0.00024	1	0.00012
Robbery	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000
Aggravated Assault	2	0.00023	1	0.00012	1	0.00012
Non Aggravated Assault	9	0.00105	3	0.00036	4	0.00050
Burglary	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000
Larceny	10	0.00117	8	0.00097	10	0.00125
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000
Human Trafficking	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000
Arson	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000
Forgery	0	0.00000	1	0.00012	0	0.00000
Fraud	1	0.00011	2	0.00024	5	0.00062
Embezzlement	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000
Receiving Stolen Property	0	0.00000	1	0.00012	0	0.00000
Vandalism	6	0.00070	7	0.00085	10	0.00125
Weapons Possession	0	0.00000	1	0.00012	0	0.00000
Prostitution	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000
Sex Offenses	0	0.00000	1	0.00012	3	0.00037
Drug Abuse Violations	27	0.00317	16	0.00195	6	0.00075
Gambling	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000
Offenses Against Family	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000
D.U.I	1	0.00011	1	0.00012	0	0.00000
Liquor Laws	41	0.00482	25	0.00305	35	0.00438
Public Drunkenness	3	0.00035	4	0.00048	4	0.00050
Disorderly Conduct	12	0.00141	8	0.00097	25	0.00312
Vagrancy	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000
All Other Offenses	8	0.00094	6	0.00073	4	0.00050
<i>(except traffic violations)</i>						

<b>FTE Population</b>	<b>2020 *</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>
Student Totals	7496	7264	7120
<i>Undergraduates</i>	7054	6683	6551
<i>Graduates</i>	442	581	569
Employees	996	919	870
Total (Students+Employees)	8492	8183	7990

<b>On Campus Student Housing</b>			
<i>Undergraduate</i>	2239	2284	2685
<i>Graduate</i>	17	13	13

\* Numbers varied due to changes from Covid 19

Crime rates are based on a total full-time equivalent population (FTE) of undergraduate and graduate students and employees. An example is if the FTE were 10,000 with two crimes in a category, the rate would be .0002 for that category. These statistics are based on a period of time from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31 of each year. Uniform Crime Report Statistics are based on reports only to University Police and may be different than those reported under the Jeanne Clery Act. Crimes listed under the Jeanne Clery Act also include crimes that were reported only to campus security authorities and other police agencies.

# Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Fire Safety Statistics

## Fire Safety Systems at the Bloomsburg Campus Residential Facilities 2022

Residential Facilities	Street Address	Fire Alarm Monitoring Done On Site (by University Police)	Full Sprinkler System	Smoke Detection	Fire Extinguishers	Number of evacuation (fire) drills conducted
Columbia	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
Elwell	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
JKA Delaware	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
JKA Monroe	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
JKA Union	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
Luzerne	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
Lycoming	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MOA Berks	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MOA Bucks	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	2**
MOA Chester	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MOA Cumberland	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MOA Dauphin	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MOA Lancaster	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	2**
MOA Lackawanna	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	0*
MOA Lehigh	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MOA Northampton	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MOA Philadelphia	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	2**
Montour	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MPA Albert	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MPA Barton	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MPA Diehl	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MPA Englehart	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MPA Marmon	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
MPA Marshall	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
Northumberland	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
Schuylkill	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4
Soltz Hall	400 East Second Street	X	X	X	X	4

\*\* Only occupied half the year

\*Used for COVID 19 Isolation

The current fire safety systems are code compliant and upgrades will be made as code requires and during building renovation work.

The Fire Alarm Panel was upgraded in Columbia Hall.

Future improvements to the fire alarm systems are not necessary at this time.

All fires should be reported to the University Police Department at 570-389-2211 or 570-389-4168.

At Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg of Pennsylvania, all residential on campus housing are completely covered by an integrated automatic sprinkler system and programmable fire alarm system, which is monitored on a 24-hour basis. These systems include pull stations and pillow shakers (devices that alert hearing impaired persons of a fire emergency while they are sleeping). The buildings are also equipped with emergency generators that are designed to power emergency lighting in case of a power outage. The fire alarm systems are equipped with back up battery power. All of the fire systems are inspected and maintained in accordance with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

All on campus residents and Resident Assistants receive fire safety training at the beginning of their first semester. Fire/evacuation drills are conducted at least twice, in housing buildings, during the fall and spring semester.

It is the policy of Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg of Pennsylvania that candles, incense, hot plates, coffee makers, or appliances with a heat source, any open flame devices, fireworks and smoking are PROHIBITED in the residence halls. Cooking appliances can only be used in designated areas in each hall. Cooking of any kind is prohibited in residence hall rooms. Occupants of upper campus apartments are PROHIBITED from smoking, possessing candles, incense and open flame devices in the apartment.

**2022 Statistics and Related Information Regarding Fires in Residential Facilities**

Residential Facilities	Street Address	Total Fires in Each Building	Fire Number	Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries	Number of Deaths	Value of Property Damage
Columbia	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Elwell	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
JKA Delaware	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
JKA Monroe	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
JKA Union	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Luzerne	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Lycoming	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Berks	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Bucks	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Chester	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Cumberland	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Dauphin	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Lancaster	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Lackawanna	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Lehigh	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Northampton	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Philadelphia	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Montour	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MPA Albert	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MPA Barton	400 East Second Street	1	1	Unintentional Fire Cooking	0	0	\$100 - \$999
MPA Diehl	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MPA Englehart	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MPA Marmon	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MPA Marshall	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Northumberland	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Schuylkill	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Soltz	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

**2021 Statistics and Related Information Regarding Fires in Residential Facilities**

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Elwell	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
JKA Delaware	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
JKA Monroe	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
JKA Union	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Luzerne	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Lycoming	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Berks	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Bucks	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Chester	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Cumberland	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Dauphin	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Lancaster	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Lackawanna	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Lehigh	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Northampton	400 East Second Street	1	1	Unintentional Fire Cooking	0	0	\$100 - \$999
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MPA Diehl	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MPA Englehart	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MPA Marmon	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MPA Marshall	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Northumberland	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Schuylkill	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Soltz	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Elwell	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
JKA Delaware	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
JKA Monroe	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
JKA Union	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Luzerne	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Lycoming	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Berks	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Bucks	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Chester	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Cumberland	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Dauphin	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Lancaster	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Lackawanna	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MOA Lehigh	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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MPA Diehl	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MPA Englehart	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MPA Marmon	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
MPA Marshall	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Northumberland	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Schuylkill	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Soltz	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Columbia	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Elwell	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
JKA Delaware	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
JKA Monroe	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
JKA Union	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Luzerne	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Lycoming	400 East Second Street	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Fire Safety Systems in Foundation Properties 2022

Residential Facilities	Street Address	Fire Alarm Monitoring System	Full Sprinkler System	Smoke Detection	Fire Extinguishers	Number of evacuation (fire) drills conducted
College Place Apartments	3 Country Club Road	No	Yes	24	6	0
Uni-Mart Apartments	415 Lightstreet Road	Yes	Yes	54	12	0
University Place Apartments	801 Lightstreet Road	No	Yes	37	10	0
Carver Place Apartments	100 South Penn St	Yes	Yes	60	15	0
	386-388 Penn Argyle Ave	Yes	Yes	32	10	0
	394-398 Penn Argyle Ave	Yes	Yes	10	3	0
	392 Penn Argyle Ave	Yes	Yes	11	3	0

## 2022 Statistics and Related Information Regarding Fires in Foundation Properties

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College Place Apartments	3 Country Club Road	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Uni-Mart Apartments	415 Lightstreet Road	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
University Place Apartments	801 Lightstreet Road	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Carver Place Apartments	100 South Penn St, 386-398 Penn Argyle St.	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

## 2021 Statistics and Related Information Regarding Fires in Foundation Properties

Residential Facilities	Street Address	Total Fires in Each Building	Fire Number	Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries	Number of Deaths	Value of Property Damage
College Place Apartments	3 Country Club Road	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Uni-Mart Apartments	415 Lightstreet Road	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
University Place Apartments	801 Lightstreet Road	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Carver Place Apartments	100 South Penn St, 386-398 Penn Argyle St.	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

## 2020 Statistics and Related Information Regarding Fires in Foundation Properties

Residential Facilities	Street Address	Total Fires in Each Building	Fire Number	Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries	Number of Deaths	Value of Property Damage
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Uni-Mart Apartments	415 Lightstreet Road	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
University Place Apartments	801 Lightstreet Road	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Carver Place Apartments	100 South Penn St, 386-398 Penn Argyle St.	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

## Fire Safety Systems in Community Government Association Properties 2022

Residential Facilities	Street Address	Fire Alarm Monitoring System	Full Sprinkler System	Smoke Detection	Fire Extinguishers	Number of evacuation (fire) drills conducted
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	Club House 111 Honeysuckle Court	X	X	X	X	1
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	200 Building 111 Honeysuckle Court	X	X	X	X	1
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	300 Building 111 Honeysuckle Court	X	X	X	X	1
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	400 Building 111 Honeysuckle Court	X	X	X	X	1

The current fire safety systems are code compliant and upgrades will be made as code requires and during building renovation work.  
Future improvements to the fire safety systems are not necessary at this time.

## 2022 Statistics and Related Information Regarding Fires in Community Government Association Properties

Residential Facilities	Street Address	Total Fires in Each Building	Fire Number	Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries	Number of Deaths	Value of Property Damage
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	Club House 111 Honeysuckle Court	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	200 Building 111 Honeysuckle Court	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	300 Building 111 Honeysuckle Court	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	400 Building 111 Honeysuckle Court	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

## 2021 Statistics and Related Information Regarding Fires in Community Government Association Properties

Residential Facilities	Street Address	Total Fires in Each Building	Fire Number	Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries	Number of Deaths	Value of Property Damage
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	Club House 111 Honeysuckle Court	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	200 Building 111 Honeysuckle Court	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	300 Building 111 Honeysuckle Court	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	400 Building 111 Honeysuckle Court	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Residential Facilities	Street Address	Total Fires in Each Building	Fire Number	Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries	Number of Deaths	Value of Property Damage
Honeysuckle Student Apartments	Club House 111 Honeysuckle Court	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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Honeysuckle Student Apartments	400 Building 111 Honeysuckle Court	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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## Emergency Notifications, Response and Evacuation Procedures

In the event of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees occurring on campus, Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg will upon confirmation, issue Emergency Notifications to the campus community.

Emergency Notifications are provided when a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students, employees or others is or is about to occur on the Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg campus. Emergency Notifications will contain information pertaining to the threat or emergency such as location, timing and safety, and evacuation procedures. Safety and evacuation procedures examples include sheltering in place, avoid an area, and vacate building(s) or campus. Notifications may include available information as to safer locations and shelters. Updates will be provided as necessary.

Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg's process for communicating emergency information to the campus community includes, but is not limited to, The Alert System, a siren/outside public address, the Safety website, and social media. There is also a clearly identifiable link to notifications on the University Police website. As determined by the Emergency Notification Committee, Emergency Notifications may be issued using some or all of the above communications systems.

Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg is not responsible for charges applied by cell phone providers.

Students are automatically enrolled in this service and will be sent messages based on the information provided in their student account.

Participation in this service is voluntary for employees. Employees are not required to sign up for any type of notifications, but those who do may choose to be notified by voice, text and/or e-mail. While participation is voluntary, employees are strongly encouraged to sign up for these notifications.

To sign up, log into the Alert system by navigating to <http://rave.bloomu.edu> and logging in with your HuskyID (full Email address {username@bloomu.edu}) and your login password.

The issuing of Emergency Notifications must be decided on a case-by-case basis in light of all the known facts, including confirmation and circumstances surrounding the situation. The following administrators, their designees or alternates will be members of the Emergency Notification Committee and will be responsible for determining the appropriateness of issuing Emergency Notifications:

Director of Police  
Chief of Police  
Sergeant/OIC Alternate 1  
Senior Director of Strategic Communications

Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg's Emergency Notification Committee will without delay, and taking into account the safety of the community, determine the content of the notification and initiate the notification system, unless issuing a notification will, in the professional judgement of the Emergency Notification Committee, compromise efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

Upon confirmation by a University official, through firsthand knowledge of police personnel on scene, news outlets, weather websites, public health sources and/or law enforcement data and intelligence Emergency Notification information is shared with the Emergency Notifications Committee by the Chief of Police, who would normally receive it from the Sergeant or Officer In Charge of the shift. A determination is then made by the committee, who would usually communicate via phone, as to if an Emergency Notification will be issued and the information it will contain. The notification is written by the representative from Marketing and Communications and if time permits, reviewed by the police representative. Marketing and Communications is responsible for disseminating the notification.

In extreme instances when it would not be practical to use the Emergency Notification Committee or communication could not be established the police shift sergeant or officer in charge will make the determination as to the issuance and content of the notification. The notification would then be sent by police dispatch personnel.

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Depending on the nature of the emergency students and employees may be directed to a safe location, told to shelter in place, evacuate the campus and/or be provided with other pertinent safety information. Additionally, campus buildings may be secured and utilities adjusted accordingly.

If there is a need to disseminate such emergency information to individuals and/or organizations outside of the campus community, it will be handled by the office of Marketing and Communications.

Every year a regularly scheduled test designed for evaluation of emergency response plans is conducted that includes drills, exercises and follow-through activities.

Additionally, at a minimum, unannounced evacuation drills are conducted each spring and fall semester for all occupied campus buildings. Students learn the locations of emergency exits in buildings and are provided guidance about direction they should travel and gather when exiting each building for short term evacuations.

Long term evacuation locations are not publicized as they are subject to a number of factors including; time of day, location of building being evacuated, nature of the emergency and availability of designated evacuation areas.

Records of tests and drills include a description of the test, the date and times it started and ended and if it was announced or unannounced. All test records will be kept for seven years.

Evacuation and shelter in place information is provided to students and employees each year via email.

In circumstances that the Emergency Notification Committee determines the incident at hand does not meet Emergency Notifications standards, they may decide to issue a Safety Alert.

Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg has elected to provide this service as a commitment to keep the campus community informed and safe. Safety Alerts may result in the entire campus or a portion of the campus receiving the information using one or more of the notification systems.

Report emergencies to University Police at 570- 389-2211 or Columbia County 911.

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## Timely Warnings For Criminal Activity

As per the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, referred to as the Clery Act, Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg will issue Timely Warnings for certain crimes on a case by case basis. Timely Warnings are issued for crimes that occurred on campus, specifically; murder, non-negligent manslaughter, rape, fondling, statutory rape, incest, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft and arson. The decision to issue a warning takes into account all of the known facts including; nature of the crime, continuing danger to the campus community and possible risk of compromising law enforcement efforts.

Information to be included in Timely Warnings are date and time of the crime, nature of the crime, a general location, and information that promotes safety. The race of a suspect will not be given out if that is the only other descriptor beyond the suspect's sex, nor will the victim's identity be released.

The intent of the warning is to enable people to protect themselves, thus the warning will be issued as soon as possible even if all the facts are not yet known.

Timely Warnings may be issued by some or all of the following notification systems: public address system, mass text messaging, University emails, and social media, safety website and paper postings at common entrances to academic, administrative and multi-unit residential buildings that Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg owns or controls. Postings will not be done on individual dorm rooms or apartments.

The Chief of Police and the Senior Director of Strategic Communications make up the Timely Warning Committee. In a situation where one or both will not be available, they may assign designees. For redundancy, there are also pre- designated alternates.

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In instances when communication cannot be established with the Timely Warning Committee or alternates, the police shift sergeant or officer in charge will make the determination as to the issuance and content of the warning. The warning would then be sent by police dispatch personnel.

In circumstances that the Timely Warning Committee determines the incident at hand does not meet Timely Warning standards, they may decide to issue a "Safety Alert."

The Clery Act does not require a safety alert; however, Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg has elected to provide this service as a commitment to keep the campus community informed and safe.

Safety alerts may result in the entire campus or a portion of the campus receiving the information using one or more of the notification systems.

To report crimes occurring on campus call Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Police at 570- 389-2211.

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## Preparation of Disclosure of Crime Statistics

The University Police Department prepares this report to comply with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act. The full text of this report can be located on our web site at <https://www.bloomu.edu/documents/annual-security-report>

This report is prepared in cooperation with the local law enforcement agencies surrounding our campus and alternate sites, Housing and Residence Life, Dean of Students Office, Office of Student Conduct, and Title IX Office. Each department provides information on their educational efforts and programs to comply with the Act.

Campus crime, arrests and referral statistics include those reported to the University Police Department and designated campus officials, (including but not limited to directors, deans, department heads, designated student employees, advisors to students/student organizations, athletic coaches, and anyone fulfilling the role as a campus security authority), and local law enforcement agencies.

Each year an email notification is made to all enrolled students that provide the web site to access this report. Faculty and staff receive similar notification. Copies of the report may also be obtained at the University Police Department, located at the Andruss Library Annex. Prospective employees may obtain a copy at the Human Resources Department located in the Waller Administration Building. Copies are also available at the Admissions Office or by calling 570-389-4316.

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## How to Report Criminal Offenses

### To report a crime:

Crimes, emergencies, and non-emergencies can be reported to the University Police at 570-389-2211 or 570-389-4168, or by using one of the emergency call boxes. The emergency call boxes are identified by a blue light located above the call box; and they are located throughout the campus in parking lots and next to buildings. Any suspicious activity or persons seen loitering in the parking lots, around vehicles, inside buildings or around Residence Halls, should be reported to the University Police Department.

The University Police Department works closely with the Town of Bloomsburg Police Department and exchange crime statistics and information concerning Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg students living off-campus. Crimes can also be reported to the Bloomsburg Town Police at 570-784-4155. For emergencies you can also call 911.

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In addition, crimes can be reported to any designated campus security authority. The University has identified these groups and individuals to include the following:

The Chief of Staff and VP of University Affairs at 570-389-4674  
The Chief Facilities and Safety Officer at 570-389-2478  
The Marketing and Communications Department at 570-389-5134  
The Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Police Dept at 570-389-2211  
The Director of Housing and Residence Life at 570-389-4089.  
The Director of Athletics at 570-389-4050  
The Director of Financial Aid at 570-389-4279  
The Director of the Recreational Center at 570-389-4190  
The Director of Kehr Union at 570-389-4036  
The Director of Human Resources at 570-389-4040  
The Director of Student Activities at 570-389-4036  
The Title IX Coordinator at 570-389-4808  
The Director of the Counseling Center at 570-389-4255  
The Director of the Health Center at 570-389-4451  
The Dean of Students at 570-389-4734  
The Dean of the College of Science and Technology at 570-389-5334  
The Dean of the College of Education and Human Studies at 570-484-2024  
The Dean of the College of Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities at 570-389-4811  
The Dean of the College of Health Professions at 570-484-2218  
The Dean of the Zeigler College of Business at 570-389-5298  
The Dean of the Honors College at 570-389-5331

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## Limited Voluntary Confidential Reporting

The University Police Department encourages anyone who is the victim or witness to any crime to promptly report the incident to the police. Because police reports are public records under state law, the University Police Department cannot hold reports of crime in confidence. Confidential reports for purposes of inclusion in the annual disclosure of crime statistics can generally be made to the University's designated campus security authorities.

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## Security and Access

During business hours, the University (excluding residence halls, certain labs, and other secure areas) will be open to students, parents, employees, contractors and visitors. During non-business hours, access to all University facilities is by key or card access, if issued, or by admittance via the University Police or Housing and Residence Life Staff. During non-business or extended closings, those without keys or card access will only be admitted with prior written approval.

Residence halls are secured 24 hours a day by card access. The card access entry points are monitored by security cameras. Card access remains in effect during extended breaks, but student cards are programmed to prohibit entry during that time. Some facilities, labs, and specified rooms have individual hours, which may vary at different times of the year. Examples are Nelson Field House, Haas Auditorium, Kehr Union, Gross Auditorium, the Library, IIT, and various labs. In these cases, the facilities will be secured according to schedules developed by the department responsible for the facility. Emergencies may necessitate changes or alterations to any posted schedules. The University Police and the Card Center have 24/7 co-control and accessibility of all online doors on campus.

University Police routinely conducts building checks during non-business hours and during extended breaks. University Police routinely conduct foot patrols of the residence halls and public areas on campus.

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## Maintenance of Campus Facilities

Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg facilities and grounds are maintained in a manner that minimizes hazardous conditions. The University Police regularly patrols the campus and reports malfunctioning lights and other unsafe physical conditions to Facilities Management for correction. Other members of the college community are encouraged to report maintenance concerns.

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## Campus Law Enforcement Authority

In Pennsylvania, the State System of Higher Education, Act 188 of 1982 as amended by Act 48 of 2003, establishes and defines the powers and duties of Campus Police Officers. This act granted campus police officers the authority to exercise the same powers that are granted to municipal police officers under the Statewide Municipal Police Jurisdiction Act, (Title 42, 8953). All crimes, including major offenses; such as rape, murder, aggravated assault, robbery and auto theft that are reported to have occurred within the geographic confines of the University are investigated by the University Police Department.

In November, 2022, Act 121 of 2022 placed police at PASSHE schools, including Commonwealth University- Bloomsburg, under the directive of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission (MPOETC) for police certification, commission and training.

Officers are empowered to issue traffic citations and non-traffic citations for various violations of Pennsylvania Law. Violations of University policy and code of conduct are reported to the Office of Student Conduct for adjudication.

The University Police Department works closely with the Town of Bloomsburg Police Department and the Pennsylvania State Police on mutual investigations and interests. Information is exchanged concerning University students that engage in criminal activity off campus. This information is provided to Office of Student Conduct for possible violations of the student code of conduct.

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## Mutual Interests

The University Police Department maintains a close working relationship with the Town of Bloomsburg Police Department, surrounding law enforcement agencies, the Pennsylvania State Police, and the FBI. University Police Officers and the Town of Bloomsburg Officers often interact and provide assistance to each other when requested. University Officers are assigned to the Columbia County Drug Task Force and work with other law enforcement agencies to target drug violators on campus and in the surrounding area. There presently is no written memorandum of understanding between the University and the Town of Bloomsburg for police services.

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## Accurate and Prompt Crime Reporting

We encourage all members of the Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Community, students, faculty, staff and guests to report all crimes and public safety related incidents to the University Police Department in a timely manner. All reports that the University receives or becomes aware of are investigated. Violations of the law are referred to the appropriate law enforcement agency for investigation. When relevant, information will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct for appropriate action.

To report a crime or emergency that occurs on the Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg campus, call University Police at 570-389-2211 or 570-389-4168, or press the red button on any of the campus emergency call boxes. Crimes can also be reported to the Bloomsburg Town Police at 570-784-4155. Dispatchers are available 24 hours a day for walk-in reporting and to dispatch officers to calls. When appropriate, University Officers investigate reported crimes and incidents and forward information to the Office of Student Conduct.

If a sexual assault or rape should occur, staff on scene and University Police will offer the victim a variety of services.

Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg has trained University Resource Advocates for Sexual Misconduct available 24 hours a day to assist the victim, not only by the University but also by the Columbia County Victim Advocate. University Police will provide the victim with pamphlets that contain phone numbers and resources offered not only by the University but also by the Columbia County Victim Advocate.

If an emergency or crime occurs off-campus in the Town of Bloomsburg, students or any victim should report the event to the Town of Bloomsburg Police Department at 570-784-4155, or by dialing 911, (emergency) or 570-784-6300, (non-emergency) to reach the Columbia County 911 Center. University Police requests information from Town of Bloomsburg Police including harassment/sexual assaults.

Victims can report on-campus incidents to either the University Police or the Bloomsburg Town Police. Victims can also decline reporting criminal incidents to law enforcement when reporting their incident to other University departments.

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## **Crimes Reported to Professional Counselors and Pastoral Counselors**

The Clery Act does not require a University's professional and pastoral counselors to be considered campus security authorities. They are not required to report crimes, however are encouraged to report information for inclusion in the disclosure of crime statistics for the Annual Security Report and web-based report to the Department of Education. Pastoral Counselors have been defined as an employee of the institution who is associated with a religious order or denomination as someone who provides confidential counseling and who is functioning within the scope of that recognition as a pastoral counselor.

Professional counselors are employees of an institution whose official responsibilities include providing psychological counseling to members of the institution's community and who is functioning within the scope of his or her license or certification.

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## **Security Awareness for Students and Employees**

Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg, engages in comprehensive, intentional, and collaborative programming, initiatives, strategies, and campaigns intended to educate the campus community on general safety and security awareness. Students and employees are engaged in educational initiatives both in-person and online. Various educational opportunities are offered throughout the academic year through online modules, brochures distributed throughout the campus, in-person training and workshops, various meetings, and poster campaigns.

Specific sexual assault misconduct and prevention is presented to new in-coming students both in-person and through an online module. Continued prevention and awareness programming is offered by the campus Women's Center, Title IX Office, and off campus Centers through various means.

Periodically, during the academic year, the University Police Department in cooperation with other University organizations and departments, presents crime prevention awareness sessions on sexual assault, theft, and vandalism, a well as educational sessions on personal safety and residence hall security.

A common theme of all awareness and crime prevention programs is to educate students and employees about observing and reporting crimes or potentially hazardous situations or incidents.

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## **Crime Prevention Programs for Students and Employees**

Crime Prevention Programs on personal safety and theft prevention are sponsored by various University organizations throughout the year. University Police personnel conduct presentations in seminar classes and participate with Housing and Residence Life and other departments in various presentations to students, parents, faculty, student organizations, and community organizations. The University's Human Resource Department provides new employees with information and a video addressing personal safety.

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## **Criminal Activity Off Campus**

When a Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg student is involved in an off-campus offense, University Police may assist with the investigation in cooperation with local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies. The Town of Bloomsburg Police often work and communicate with University Police officers on serious incidents involving Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg students, living off-campus in the town. The Town of Bloomsburg Police have jurisdiction in these areas, while offenses and investigations occurring on the campus of Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg are primarily handled by University Police. The University Police Department has the ability to communicate via radio with the Town of Bloomsburg Police Department.

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## **Disclosure to Alleged Victims of Crimes of Violence or Non-Forcible Sex Offense**

Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg, will upon request, disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence, or non-forcible sex offense, the results of any disciplinary hearings conducted by the University against the student who is the alleged perpetrator of the crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of the crime or offense, Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg will provide the results of the disciplinary hearing to the victim's next of kin, if so requested.

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## **Alcoholic Beverages**

The possession, sale or the furnishing of alcohol on the University campus is governed by Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Policy 4810 and Pennsylvania state law. Laws regarding the possession, sale, transportation, consumption or furnishing of alcohol is controlled by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Enforcement. However, the enforcement of alcohol laws on-campus is the primary responsibility of the University Police Department. The campus has been designated alcohol free and only under certain circumstances is the consumption of alcohol permitted, such as in the private residences of those University officials and employees required to live on University property, and in the instance of University sponsored events for which the special permission is received within the guideline of policy 4810. It is unlawful to sell, furnish or provide alcohol to a person under the age of 21. The possession of alcohol by anyone under 21 years of age is illegal. Violators are subject to University disciplinary action, criminal prosecution, fine and imprisonment. It is also a violation of the Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Alcohol Policy for anyone to consume or possess alcohol in any public or private area of campus without prior University approval. Organizations or groups violating alcohol/substance policies or laws may be subject to sanctions by the University.

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## **Illegal Drugs and Medical Marijuana**

The Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg campus has been designated "Drug free". The unlawful possession, sale, manufacture or distribution of any controlled substance is illegal under both state and federal laws. Such laws are strictly enforced by the University Police Department. Violators are subject to University disciplinary action, criminal prosecution, fine and imprisonment.

Medical marijuana may not be used or possessed on campus. Nothing in the Pennsylvania Medical Marijuana Act changes federal law. Federal law identifies marijuana as a prohibited Schedule I controlled substance, that is, an illegal drug. State laws legalizing marijuana for some uses do not alter the federal law. Federal law supersedes state law in this area.

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## **Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) Services – Prevention and Intervention**

The University offers programs and services to prevent the illicit use of Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) by students and employees. The programs and services include propagation of informational material to the student community by means of posters, on TV screens and on social media. Educational AOD programs for students are offered in classrooms via curriculum infusion, through tabling and outreach efforts to the campus community by the Husky PAWS (Peer Assisted Wellness Services). Support services and referrals are available through the Director of AOD Services at 570-389-4980

Students violating the University's Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) policy are referred to the Dean of Students for judicial review. Employees violating the policy are held accountable in accordance with University employee disciplinary procedures. Students, employees and visitors are also subject to prosecution, in accordance with the Pennsylvania Crime Codes.

The following services are available for Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) issues:

1. Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg engages in extensive outreach work regarding information about The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act (DFSCA) through the office of "Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) Service – Prevention and Intervention - at the following link <https://www.bloomu.edu/offices-directory/alcohol-and-other-drug-prevention-and-intervention>
2. Collegiate Recovery Program 570-389-4980
3. State Employee Assistance Program SEAP – <https://www.bloomu.edu/seap> for Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg employees
4. Counseling and Human Development - <https://www.bloomu.edu/offices-directory/counseling-and-human-development>
5. Health Center <https://www.bloomu.edu/offices-directory/student-health-center>
6. Office of Student Conduct - <https://www.bloomu.edu/offices-directory/dean-students>

## **Local, State and Federal Legal Sanctions**

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania sets 21 as the minimum age to purchase or possess any alcoholic beverage. General information regarding violations of alcohol laws, including driving while intoxicated, are available from the University Police.

Persons under age 21 found possessing alcohol can be fined a maximum of \$500.00 for the first offense and a maximum fine of \$1000.00 for the second and each subsequent violation.

Anyone convicted of fraudulently using a driver's license to buy or attempting to buy alcohol is guilty of a summary offense for the first violation and a misdemeanor of the third degree for any subsequent violation.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania prohibits the manufacture, sale or delivery, holding, offering for sale or possession of any controlled substance. Penalties are in accordance with the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act and can range from a misdemeanor for the possession of drug paraphernalia to a felony charge for manufacturing. Fines for offenses may vary. In general, summary offenses have a fine up to \$300.00 unless a higher fine has been pre-established by law. A third degree misdemeanor can have a fine not to exceed \$2,500.00. A second degree misdemeanor can have a fine not to exceed \$5,000.00. A first degree misdemeanor can have a fine not to exceed \$10,000.00. A third degree felony can have a fine not to exceed \$15,000.00. A first and second degree felony can have a fine not to exceed \$25,000.00. A murder or attempted murder conviction can have a fine not to exceed \$50,000.00.

A violation of any law regarding alcohol is also a violation of the University's Code of Conduct and will be treated as a separate disciplinary matter by the University.

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## **Preventing and Responding to Incidents of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking**

Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg is committed to creating and maintaining a campus environment where safety, health, and well-being are priorities for all. The University will not tolerate any form of sexual misconduct, which includes but is not limited to rape, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. Definitions of sexual misconduct and additional relevant definitions such as consent can be found in University policies, "The Sexual Misconduct Policy" (PRP 4790) and "The Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Policy" (PRP 4789). All policies and procedures relating to sexual misconduct can be found on the Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg website.

## **Confidentiality**

Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg will, to the extent possible, do our best to protect a victim's privacy while meeting the University's legal obligations. Because the safety of our students, faculty and staff is of our utmost concern, we are not always able to grant complete confidentiality in a sexual misconduct case. Victims have the right to not report a crime/incident of sexual misconduct to authorities and can instead utilize confidential resources, which can be found online and/or in relevant University policies as listed above. When reports are submitted, the University shall take the necessary measures to ensure that the information shared is kept private by limiting the information to those individuals required to know pursuant to law, regulation or University policy. The University will post publicly available records including Clery Act reporting and disclosures, without the inclusion of personally identifying information.

## **Policies**

Below are related policies (Policies and Procedures):

PRP 2410- Background Screening, Protection of Minors, Volunteerism

PRP 2121- Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse

PRP 3881- Student Disruptive Behavior Policy

PRP 4650- Hazing Policy

PRP 4789- Harassment and Discrimination Policy

PRP 4790- Sexual Misconduct Policy

4802- Student Code of Conduct and Judicial Process

PRP 4805- Drug Policy

PRP 4810- Alcoholic Beverage Policy

PRP 5200- Emergency Response Policy

PRP 5201- Emergency Notification/Response and Evacuation

PRP 5202- Timely Warnings

PRP 5225- Mandatory Fire Drills Within University Buildings

## **Education**

On-going prevention and awareness efforts are imperative. Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg takes extensive efforts to educate the campus community regarding sexual misconduct. All incoming freshmen are required to attend various informative seminars where topics including but not limited to sexual assault, rape, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking are covered. The University Police Department offers sexual assault education and information programs to University employees and students upon request. The Woman's Resource Center at Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg offers educational opportunities through various speakers and literature on sexual assault awareness, prevention/risk reduction, and bystander intervention. Specifically, bystander intervention workshops are offered multiple times throughout the semester and any bystander can seek assistance from a University official at any time. In addition, the Office of Title IX also provides various trainings and awareness campaigns for the campus community throughout each academic year.

## **Reporting**

If you are a victim of sexual misconduct at this institution, your first priority should be to get to a safe location. You should then obtain necessary medical treatment. University Police strongly advocates that the victim report the incident in a timely manner. Time is a critical factor for evidence collection and preservation. An assault should be reported directly to University Police at 570-389-2211 or 570-389-4168. Filing a police report with University Police does not obligate the victim to prosecute, should the assailant be identified. Filing a police report will ensure that the victim receives the necessary medical treatment and tests at no

expense to them. It will also allow University Police to collect evidence that may not be available later.

After receiving a report of sexual assault or domestic violence, University Police notifies the Title IX office. Victims may pursue an investigation through the criminal justice system and the Title IX Office or only the latter when an incident of sexual misconduct occurs.

## **Investigations**

The University will pursue an independent investigation of violations of the University's "Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Policy" (PRP 4789), "The Sexual Misconduct Policy" (PRP 4790) and "The Student Code of Conduct and Judicial Process" (PRP 4802). These investigations are conducted independent of any other police investigations stemming from a sexual assault allegation. These investigations are conducted by Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg's Title IX Coordinator or designee, who can be reached at 570-389-4808. University Police makes notification to the Title IX Coordinator when a sexual assault is reported to the University Police Department.

## **Disciplinary Action**

Individuals involved in cases of sexual misconduct have the right to a prompt, fair, and impartial process. All parties involved in University processes have the same rights, which are outlined the related policies (PRPs 4789, 4790, 4802). Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg will simultaneously notify, in writing, both the accuser and the accused of: the result of any disciplinary proceeding that arises from an allegation of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking; procedures for the accused and the victim to appeal the result of the institutional disciplinary proceeding; any change to the result; and when the result becomes final.

Hearing processes are conducted by an official who received training on the issues related to dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. All procedures take great effort to protect the safety of the victim and promote accountability. No contact letters can be issued to students in situations where specific behavioral expectations need to be addressed or outlined. No contact letters are used as a last resort and can be in lieu of disciplinary action. No contact letters can be requested by students and are typically issued by the Office of Housing and Residence Life or the Office of Student Conduct.

Victims have the right to seek judicial action both through the legal process as well as administratively through University proceedings. Students should refer to "The Sexual Misconduct Policy" (PRP 4790) and "The Student Code of Conduct and Judicial Process" (PRP 4802). University faculty and staff should refer to "The Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Policy" (PRP 4789). Both policies outline filing complaints/reporting, proceedings, steps, timelines, decision-making process (student hearings utilize the preponderance of evidence standard), possible sanctions/action. Upon request, the results of any disciplinary proceedings will be given to the victim (and the accused) initially or their next of kin in the event the student is unable to receive the results.

## **Resources**

A University Police officer or the Title IX Office will guide the victim through the available options and support the victim in his or her decision. Various counseling options are available through the University Counseling Center at 570-389-4255 and the Student Health Center at 570-389-4451.

If you are an employee of the University, counseling options are available through the State Employee Assistance Program, (SEAP). Counseling and support services outside the University can be obtained through the Woman's Center at 570-784-6631, Beyond Violence at 570-759-0298, or the Columbia County Victim/Witness Advocate Office at 570-389-5658.

Numerous resources are offered and available for victims. Any victim seeking assistance through University Police, the Office of Title IX, and/or The Dean of Students Office will receive in writing the resources available both on and off campus in addition to their rights. The victim has the right to choose to decline or utilize the available resources/rights throughout any stage in their process. The University will assist the victim seeking accommodative or protective measures regardless of whether or not the victim chooses to report the crime to campus police or local law enforcement.

## **Student Educational Outcomes**

**Disciplinary Warning:** Official notice that specific behavior or activity was in violation of the conduct code and that further violations may result in more serious disciplinary action. Students receiving a Disciplinary Warning remain in good disciplinary standing.

**Disciplinary Probation:** Official notification of a specified period of review and monitoring. Further violations of the conduct code may result in more severe disciplinary action, including an examination of continued status as a Student. Students on Disciplinary Probation are not in good disciplinary standing.

**Final Disciplinary Probation:** Final Disciplinary Probation is imposed only in very serious cases or in response to progressive discipline stipulating that a Student, in lieu of University suspension, is being allowed to remain at the University provided that the Student adheres to certain conditions, as set by the Board or Hearing Officer. A Student on Final Disciplinary Probation is denied the privilege to represent the University in any organized capacity including intercollegiate varsity, non-varsity or club events or to hold office in any Student Organization. Students on Final Disciplinary Probation are not in good disciplinary standing.

**Suspension:** Official notification involving a disciplinary separation from the University for a specified period generally not less than one semester and generally not exceeding two years. Suspension involves denial of all affiliated privileges and rights, including the privilege of using University facilities. A Student may not attend classes or be enrolled in online or distance education, take exams, earn grades, attending University activities or be on University property except for University business during the suspension period. University business must be approved in advance by the Executive Director of Student Conduct or designee.

Further violations of the conduct code may result in more severe disciplinary action, including an examination of continued status as a Student. Students on Suspension are not in good disciplinary standing. All stipulated conditions shall be completed before reenrollment.

**Expulsion:** Official notification of permanent separation and termination of the Referred Party's status as a Student, and exclusion from University property, privileges, and activities. Students on Expulsion are not in good disciplinary standing.

## **Individual Student Stipulations**

**Restitution:** Reimbursement for damage to, or destruction of, University property.

**Housing Reassignment:** Movement from a current residential assignment to another location in campus housing. Housing rates may be impacted.

**Housing Removal:** Removal from campus housing for a specified period of time. Access to campus housing including visitation is prohibited. Should circumstances warrant, housing removal could be permanent. In accordance with Residence Life policy, in such instances there will be no refund of housing fees.

**Alcohol/Other Drug Education:** Completion of an assigned substance education program as directed. A fee may be charged for the service component.

**Restriction of Privileges:** Exclusion from, or limits on, participation in specified services and activities or specified campus facilities. Prohibition of participation in campus co-curricular activities or use of campus services, e.g., intramural participation, room reservation privileges, leadership.

**Educational Activities:** Completion of a specified activity, service project, educational program, event, assignment, papers, meetings or other educational and/or restorative assignment.

**Fees:** Students found responsible for student conduct violations with assigned Educational Outcomes, such as educational modules, consultations, workshops or other programs are required to pay preset fees to cover the cost of that programming. Those fees will be applied to the individual's student account as follows:

- \$25 – assigned Judicial Educator module(s).
- \$50 – assigned consultations, such as BASICS/CASICS workshops and other programs.

**Fines:** Fines are applied in the following instances:

- \$75 – Failure to Comply with assigned educational outcomes.
- \$100 – Findings of responsibility for fire safety violations within campus residence halls, including tampering with or improper use of fire safety systems and equipment. This fine is in addition to any assigned Educational Outcomes.

**No Contact Directive:** Official written expectations issued by a University administrator restricting or prohibiting contact between individuals, and may also include other restrictions.

## **Student Organization Educational Outcomes**

**Organization Disciplinary Warning:** Official notice that specific behavior or activity was in violation of the conduct code and that further violations may result in more serious disciplinary action. It is intended to communicate or remind the organization of its responsibility to the University Community.

**Organization Disciplinary Probation:** Organization Disciplinary Probation is a period of time during which the group must demonstrate the ability to comply with University rules, regulations, and other requirements as stipulated by the Educational Outcome. During this time, the organization may be required to complete an educational component or service project. A Student Organization will remain on probation through the date indicated or until the date all assigned Educational Outcomes have been completed, whichever occurs later. Educational outcomes that restrict privileges may also be imposed.

**Organization Final Disciplinary Probation:** A final probation status means that any violation of the Code of Conduct by the organization, during this time, may result in the organization's immediate suspension. A Student Organization will remain on Final Probation at least through the date indicated or until the date all assigned educational outcomes have been completed, whichever occurs later.

**Organization Disciplinary Suspension:** A suspended Student Organization loses all rights and privileges associated with being a recognized Student Organization, must cease any organizational activity or function, and is prohibited from engaging in any organizational activity or function until the suspension is completed.

**Disciplinary Organization Disestablishment:** The organization loses its formal campus recognition and is permanently prohibited from conducting any and all group activity on- or off-campus. All events must be canceled immediately.

## **Student Organization Stipulations**

**Educational Activity:** The required participation by the organization in specified group activity, service projects, educational programs, or other assignments.

**Restriction of Privileges or Activities:** The loss of the use of services or privileges as a Student Organization or the loss of the privilege to participate in an activity or event for a specified period of time.

*Note: Examples of privileges that can be lost include, but are not limited to: recruitment freeze, suspension of the Student Organization's funds, suspension of access to the organization's web space, suspension of the ability to reserve rooms on campus, suspension of the ability to apply for Student activity fee funding, suspension of fund-raising activities, suspension of access to office space, and others.*

**Membership Review:** The organization is required to review and affirm each person's commitment to the expectations of organization membership. This may involve one-on-one interviews with each member and a member of the national or international staff, and/or a University Advisor or administrator.

**Member Intake and Recruitment Review:** The organization is required to submit a plan on how it will emphasize values during the intake process. The plan should include details of the expected date and time of activities, goals, participant learning outcomes, and the event assessments.

**Organization Restitution:** Reimbursement for actual damage to or destruction of property, including that of the University.

Violations of the University Harassment and Discrimination Policy, PRP 4789 could result in the following sanctions against an employee. In all instances, the President or supervising Vice-President retains the sole power and discretion to take formal disciplinary action against an employee. Individuals who are found to have violated this policy will be subject to disciplinary actions as set forth by the applicable Collective Bargaining Agreement, Board of Governor policy, or University policy. Such action against employees are: remedial training, coaching, verbal reprimand, written reprimand and, suspension or termination of employment

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## **Sex Offender Registration**

In accordance to the "Campus Crimes Prevention Act" of 2000, which amends the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act, the Jeanne Clery Act and the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, of 1974, (FERPA) Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg's Police Department will monitor a list of sexually violent predators that is provided by the Pennsylvania State Police. The Act also requires institutions of higher education to issue a statement advising the campus community where law enforcement information provided by the PA State Police concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. It also requires sex offenders already registered in a state to provide notice of each institution of higher education in that state at which the person is employed, carries a vocation or is a student.

Pennsylvania's Megan's law, (42 Pa.C.S. 9799.1) requires the Pennsylvania State Police to create and maintain a registry of persons who have either been convicted of, or entered a plea of guilty to or adjudicated delinquent of certain sex offenses listed in 42 Pa. C.S. 9795.1 and 9795.2. Additionally, the Pennsylvania State Police are required to make certain information on registered sex offenders available to the public through their Pennsylvania Megan's Law web site, (<http://www.pameganslaw.state.pa.us>). For more information about Megan's Law in general, you can go to [www.psp.state.pa.us](http://www.psp.state.pa.us) and click on the link for the sexually violent predator list.

## **Missing Persons**

Commonwealth University – Bloomsburg Police Department policy mandates that all reports of missing persons must be given full consideration and attention by members of the University Police Department, to include careful recording and investigation of factual circumstances surrounding the disappearance in accordance with this Policy

The purpose of this policy is to establish responsibilities and guidelines for the investigation of missing persons and to assist in the safe and timely return of missing children. This order provides members with procedures on law enforcement mandates in regards to missing children defined as persons under 18 years of age, and missing persons under 21 years of age. It shall be the policy of the University Police Department to comply with this directive. In addition, all personnel shall comply with Section 2908 of Title 18, Missing Children, the statewide Amber Alert Plan, 42 U.S.C.5779(a), the National Child Search Assistance Act of 1990 and the PROTECT Act of 2003.

The National Child Search Assistance Act of 1990 mandates law enforcement's immediate response to reports of missing children and the prompt entry of descriptive information in the FBI's National Crime Information Center Missing Person File. The PROTECT Act of 2003 amended the Nation Child Search Assistance Act to extend the same NCIC reporting responsibility and other benefits to young adults, 18, 19 and 20 years of age.

If a member of the Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg community has reason to believe that a student who resides in on-campus housing is missing, he or she is required to immediately report this to the University Police Department at 570-389-2211 or 570-389-4168. University Police will complete a missing person report and begin an investigation. In addition to registering a general emergency contact, students residing in on-campus housing have the option to identify confidentially an individual to be contacted by University Police, in the event the student is determined to be missing. If a student has identified such contact, University Police will notify that individual when the student is determined to be missing. Students who are under 18 and not emancipated will have their parents and their contact notified upon being determined to be missing. Missing person contact information may be accessed only by authorized campus officials. Those officials may disclose the contact information only to law enforcement and only for the purpose of a missing student investigation.

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## **Policy on Portable Electrical Appliances, Smoking and Open Flames in a Student Housing Facility**

Housing and Residence Life staff performs residence hall health and safety inspections twice a year; once each during the fall and spring semesters. These inspections will be announced. The Office of Workplace Safety conducts health and safety inspections twice a year. These inspections are not announced, and a random number of units are selected for the inspections.

In addition, each room will be examined for the presence of prohibited items (e.g., sources of open flames such as candles, non-surge protected extension cords, halogen lamps, portable cooking appliances in non-kitchen areas, etc.) or prohibited activity (e.g., smoking in the room, tampering with life safety equipment, possession of pets, etc.). This inspection will also include a general assessment of food and waste storage and cleanliness of the room. Prohibited items will be immediately disabled, confiscated and donated/discharged if found, without reimbursement.

The policies regarding portable electrical appliances, smoking and open flames in a student housing facility can be found in the Guide to Campus Living at <https://www.bloomu.edu/documents/guide-campus-living>.

## **Procedure for Student Housing Evacuation During a Fire**

When there is a fire emergency in the building, exit the building immediately and if you pass a pull station on your way out, activate the pull station by pulling down on the handle. The University expects all campus community members to evacuate the building during a fire emergency. Once safely outside call 911 or University Police Department at 570-389-2211, to report the fire and check in with the Housing and Residence Life staff, so they can document that you have evacuated safely. Housing and Residence Life staff will provide you with additional instructions as the situation warrants.

All residents are required to participate in fire/evacuation drills. Evacuation of the building by all residents is required immediately after the fire alarm is activated. Failure to evacuate will result in fines and disciplinary action as per Housing/Food Service Agreement Terms and Conditions of Occupancy at <https://www.bloomu.edu/documents/housing-dining-agreement-fall-spring>.

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## **List of the Titles of Each Person or Organization to Whom Students and Employees Should Report That a Fire Occurred**

Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg is required to annually disclose statistical data on all fires that occur in on-campus student housing facilities. Listed below are the non-emergency numbers to call to report fires that have already been extinguished in on-campus student housing facilities. These are fires for which you are unsure whether they have been reported to the University Police Department. If you find evidence of such a fire or if you hear about such a fire, please contact one of the following:

University Police Dispatcher	570-389-2211
Safety Director	570-389-4792

When calling, please provide as much information as possible about the location, date, time, and cause of the fire.

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## **Fire Safety Education and Training Programs Provided to Students and Employees**

Fire safety education programs for new incoming students living in on-campus housing are held at the beginning of each semester. These programs are designed to familiarize students with the fire safety systems in their residence, instruct what to do if the fire alarm is activated and where to go once outside the building, and provide fire prevention tips. Students are also informed that participation in fire/evacuation drills is mandatory. New employees receive fire safety training during employee orientation. Individuals with disabilities are asked to contact the Office of Workplace Safety at 570 389-4792 to make a Personal Emergency Evacuation Plan.

Fire safety education and training programs are administered by the Office of Workplace Safety, which is well experienced in fire safety matters.

If a fire occurs, you are instructed to leave the hazardous areas immediately. Follow the posted evacuation routes and report to the predetermined evacuation location before calling 911 for help. You are to remain at that location until Housing and Residence Life or an administrative official has documented that you have safely evacuated the building. Do not re-enter the building until you have been instructed by University Police that it is safe to do so.

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## **University Antihazing Program**

The University will maintain an Antihazing Program within the Office of Student Conduct for purposes of ensuring the University's rules, penalties, annual reporting, organizational training, antihazing policy dissemination and posting.

The University will maintain records of hazing allegations, violations, and adjudication within the Office of the Dean of Students for a minimum of five years.

Please Note: Any student who participates in hazing is subject to the Student Code of Conduct and may be suspended or expelled from the University. Hazing is a criminal offense. Any student who participates in hazing may be arrested and prosecuted. Convictions may result in applicable penalty under the Pennsylvania Crimes Code.

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## **Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Institutional Hazing Report**

<https://www.bloomu.edu/documents/hazing-report>

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# **Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Police Website**

<https://www.bloomu.edu/police>

Welcome to the Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Police Department website. My name is Leo Sokoloski, Director of Police, and on behalf of the dedicated men and women of our department, I thank you for visiting our website.

We hope that you will find valuable insight into our department, its mission, and our role within the academic environment at Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg. The information provided is designed to be a resource for you with information on campus crime statistics, agency news, safety initiatives, and the various other patrol and public safety services that we provide to the University community.

The safety and well-being of our students, faculty, staff, alumni and visitors is our top priority. We are committed to providing the highest level of professional police services to foster student success and a safe learning environment for all.

Our philosophy of community policing embodies the importance of cooperation, education, and police-citizen partnerships. Our commitment to this style of policing allows us to be part of the fabric of the Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg community and assist us in cultivating true partnerships with you, the community we serve. The University Police are committed to being engaged with the University community and being fully transparent constantly improving lines of communication with students, faculty and staff. Each year, University Police share information "Run, Hide, Fight" active shooter response information to the university community.

Fostering trust is a priority of the University Police, which is why we instituted the Community Policing Officers program. Our Community Policing Officers collaborate with student groups and organizations to proactively address issues and concerns and better the lives of students, faculty and staff. Because we are all Huskies, every member of the Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg community has a shared responsibility in their safety and reporting suspicious activity. By making smarter choices every day, we can build an ideal environment for a stellar education. Help us keep the University safe and a wonderful place to work and study.

It's my goal to keep our processes transparent. We want the community to know what we're doing and why, while also asking for your feedback on how we can do better. I encourage you to call University Police any time you encounter an issue or email your feedback to me at [https://bloomu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_cZREPjOf7nSfjm](https://bloomu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cZREPjOf7nSfjm), which is located on the police page under Questions/ Comments.

I personally read and respond to every message, regardless of whether it's a complaint or commendation. We're relying on you to perfect our process and first and foremost we answer to you, the University community. Join in a dialogue with us and make this and every semester the safest yet.

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Leo V. Sokoloski  
Director, Commonwealth University Police

## About the University Police:

The Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg Police Department is located at the rear of the Andruss Library, at 98 Swisher Circle. The University Police Department has earned accreditation from the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association, through its Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Accreditation Program. The University Police employs armed commissioned police officers who have full authority to enforce Commonwealth laws, and are under the directive of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission (MPOETC) for police certification, commission and training. The University Police Department also employs security personnel who perform dispatch duties, ticketing, traffic control and security for special events. Student Auxiliary (Work Study) positions are also available part time with the University Police.

**To report a medical emergency**, dial 911.

**To report a fire or police emergency**, call University Police at 570-389-2211 or 570-389-4168.

### Anxious about walking alone at night?

Call 570-389-2211, to get a walking escort on campus. Special phones for this service are located in campus buildings. University Police supervise the escort services.

**Emergency call boxes** in strategic locations throughout campus provide a direct link to University Police. Call boxes are red-white-blue in color and can also be identified by an overhead blue light. Use them in an emergency.

**University shuttle bus** service transports students between lower and upper campus.

## Getting the word out includes:

- A siren, public address system and cell phone message systems can be used to alert the campus community that an emergency exists.
- News is conveyed by the Office of Marketing and Communications and the Commonwealth University-Bloomsburg website [www.bloomu.edu](http://www.bloomu.edu)
- Be Safe Hotline 570-389-2723 is a recorded message that gives callers basic information about an incident and information to help safeguard themselves

## Tips to avoid Crime

- Do not prop open outside building doors. They are locked for your protection.
- Always lock your car doors, even when driving. Have your keys in hand as you approach your car and look inside the car before you open the door.
- Walk where there is plenty of light and traffic.
- Do not leave your keys and or University ID in your coat when you are not wearing it.
- Do not give your BU ID to anyone, as it allows them access to your residence hall room or apartment, FLEX, and Husky Gold.
- Keep room doors locked at all times, even when going away for a short period of time.

- Mark all belongings, including books, for tracking purposes. Engrave your driver's license number on items of value. Engravers can be borrowed from the University Police Department.
- Keep record of all credit and debit card numbers.
- When a fire alarm is activated in a building, evacuate immediately. Take your car keys and University ID, coat, purse/wallet with you. When exiting the room close the door behind you. You may not get back in your building immediately.
- Report all crimes and criminal activities to the University Police at 570-389-2211 or 570-389-4168.
- Do not allow anyone to "tailgate" after you when entering your residence hall. The card access system is for your protection as

well as all residents of every dorm. Tailgating circumvents a vital tool for students' safety.

- Learn the locations of all emergency call boxes on campus.

## Key rules to keep in mind.

- No alcoholic beverages are permitted, except in the private residences of non-student staff required to live on University property, and designated functions.
- No student or employee may transfer, use or possess firearms, explosives, fireworks, dangerous chemicals, or any lethal weapon on University property. University Police register and store all hunting equipment.

