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Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics for 2013, 2014 and 2015

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Introduction

Message from the Executive Director of Campus Security

At the University of Bridgeport, whether on the main campus or at the Waterbury/Stamford Centers, the safety and security of our community is our main priority. Crime prevention and awareness play a vital role in our educational mission. Safety and awareness is a shared responsibility involving our students, faculty, staff, and Security personnel. Creating a partnership will help us to maintain a safe environment for our community. YOU are the most important piece of the crime prevention plan. One of our goals is to provide you with information, training and support to enable us to work together to maintain safety. We have provided the following brochure to inform you of the crime prevention programs and give you the necessary tools that the University of Bridgeport maintains to strive for a safe environment for all of our students, faculty and staff.

Executive Director of Campus Security
April J. Vournelis

Overview of University of Bridgeport

The University of Bridgeport (sometimes referred to as “UB”) was founded in 1927, and is well known for its diversity. The University maintains its primary commitments and holds fast to its values. Academic programs are offered through thirteen schools, colleges, and institutes. Concern for student development and support predominate. A career-oriented focus in academic programs is complemented at the undergraduate level with a state-of-the-art core curriculum that helps students secure competencies for lifelong learning and knowledge about our world. The graduate, professional, and health sciences programs offer career-oriented masters and doctoral degrees.

The University of Bridgeport is fully accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. The University also is accredited by the Board of Governors of the State of Connecticut Office of Higher Education. UB has received the prestigious Jeanne Clery Campus Safety Award and has been recognized for the school’s innovative Personal Alarm Locator (PAL) system.

The University of Bridgeport main campus is located on the I-95 corridor just an hour from New York and two hours from Boston. The beautiful, 50-acre seaside campus rests adjacent to Seaside Park on Long Island Sound. The Waterbury Center is located near Interstate 84 in a modern office park near the Cheshire town line. The Stamford Center is located in the Springdale section of Stamford in the Riverbend Corporate Park.

In a typical year, the student body consists of learners from 45 states and 80 countries. The faculty also is diverse. This unique group of people is drawn together by shared commitments: an emphasis on professional development, career readiness for the twenty-first century, a supportive and challenging learning environment, and innovation and solution-seeking. The University offers more than 125 career-oriented programs; many of which benefit from industry connections unique to the region. The University also offers more than 50 active clubs and organizations, including co-ed intramural sports, fraternities and sororities.

Co-operative education opportunities, accelerated learning (through the University’s IDEAL Program), commitment to teaching, and a strong tradition of “students first” are a few of the reasons over 5400 students are enrolled at the University in a given academic year.

Mission Statement

The University of Bridgeport's Campus Security Department, under the administration of the Executive Director, is committed to providing a safe academic environment for all students, faculty, staff, and visitors with a minimum of inconvenience to their daily activities. Among other requirements, the Clery Act requires higher education institutions to provide timely warnings to its community of crimes that represent a threat to that community and to make public, campus security policies. Data must also be collected, reported, and disseminated to the campus community, potential students and employees, and submitted to the U.S. Department of Education on October 1 each year. The intent of the Clery Act is to provide students, families, and employees with accurate, complete, and timely information about campus safety so they can make informed decisions.

The information in this brochure has been compiled and presented in compliance with the requirements of the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990. This Act requires all postsecondary institutions participating in Title IV student financial aid programs to disclose campus crime statistics and security information. In 1998, there was an amendment that renamed the law "The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act" in memory of a Lehigh University student who was raped and murdered in her residence hall room in 1986. In addition, the report is compliant with Connecticut General Statute Section 10a-55 and Public Law 101-542, as amended, each institution of higher education within the State is required to annually prepare a Uniform Campus Crime Report, consistent with the FBI Uniform Crime Reporting system. This report reflects the crime statistics on the property of the institution for the preceding calendar year.

Crime statistics for the University of Bridgeport are located at <http://ope.ed.gov/security>.

Annual Disclosure and Distribution

The Executive Director of Campus Security or designee is responsible for preparing the University of Bridgeport's Annual Security Report. This report, and the data included in it, is compiled by reviewing all incidents reports, programs and policies of all campuses and other information obtained from Campus Security Authorities. Statistics pertaining to crimes occurring on public property adjoining the University are requested from the local police jurisdictions annually. Crime statistics are compiled by an electronic record keeping system dedicated to the security department.

By October 1 of each year, notification of the publication of the Annual Security Report is sent to students by electronic mail and through a posting on the myUB portal, and to employees through new hire orientation, and by electronic mail with hyperlinks to the report on the University's Web site. The electronic address (URL) to obtain the report is:

<http://www.bridgeport.edu/cleryreport>.

A printed copy of the Annual Security Report is available for review and may be obtained from the offices listed below:

Department of Campus Security	Norseman Hall, 221 University Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604	(203) 576-4913
Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards	Seeley Hall (Rear) , 490 Waldemere Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604	(203) 576-4228
Office of Admissions	Wahlstrom Library, 126 Park Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604	(203) 576-4552
Department of Human Resources	Wahlstrom Library, 126 Park Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604	(203) 576-4588

University of Bridgeport Campus Security

The University of Bridgeport Campus Security Department is a non-sworn security department contracted by Securitas Security Services USA, Inc., overseen by the University of Bridgeport’s Executive Director of Campus Security. The department is further comprised of an Associate Director, Executive Assistant, supervisors, dispatchers, patrol and access control officers and dedicated staff who patrol the campus and its surrounding area by vehicle, on foot and on bicycles. The Stamford and Waterbury Centers are patrolled by one officer each. The primary goal is to provide a safe environment for the University of Bridgeport community.

Campus Security Officers are required to successfully complete an orientation course with Securitas Security Services, Inc. Veteran patrol officers as well as supervisors mentor and provide on the job training for newly hired officers. Campus Security is responsible for investigating any allegations of a wrongful or significant act that occur on campus. Campus Security Officers follow a developed investigation protocol and receive training in the various elements of the investigation, reporting requirements and interview skills. In addition, all Campus Security Officers are responsible for handling safety and access control for the campus.

The Department of Campus Security reports to the Vice President of Facilities, who reports directly to the President of the University.

The Security Office at the University of Bridgeport is located in Norseman Hall on the East Side of campus. The address is 221 University Avenue. The office is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The department can be reached by dialing one of the numbers below. Campus Security encourages you to program these phone numbers into your cell phone or landline for easy access and immediate use. The Waterbury and Stamford Center officers do not have office numbers. An officer is on patrol at each location Monday – Thursday. Their hours vary according to class schedules. We ask that you report all crimes to Campus Security at the main Bridgeport campus and encourage members of the community to notify the local police department.

Telephone Directory

Campus Emergency	(203) 576-4911 or 4912
Campus Security Information	(203) 576-4913
University Information	
University of Bridgeport	(203) 576-4000
Stamford Center	(203) 358-0700
Waterbury Center	(203) 573-8501
Security email address	ubsecurity@bridgeport.edu
Bridgeport Police Department	(203) 576-7671
Stamford Police Department	(203) 977-4444
Waterbury Police Department	(203) 574-6920

Main Campus Dialing:	
Campus Emergency	X4911 or X4912
Campus Security Information	X4913

Description of Campus Security Jurisdiction

Campus Security at the University of Bridgeport, has jurisdiction over campus grounds located between the south side of Atlantic Street to the north side of Waldemere Avenue and the west side of Broad Street to the east side of Iranistan Avenue. The properties beyond these boundaries are patrolled by the local police department and fall outside the jurisdiction of Campus Security. In the event of an emergency affecting our community, University of Bridgeport Campus Security has developed partnerships with municipal, state and federal agencies.

Campus Security at the Stamford and Waterbury Centers have jurisdiction within the controlled space leased by the University of Bridgeport, including the areas and parking lots used to access that space. All other areas fall under the jurisdiction of the local Stamford and Waterbury police departments.

Campus Law Enforcement Authority

Campus Security, as University officials on private property, has:

- the authority to address orders of protection in conjunction with local law enforcement;
- the right to confiscate stolen property, illegal weapons, and controlled substances;
- the authority to operate emergency notification systems, if needed;
- the authority and training to conduct investigations and document incidents; and
- the authority to request photo identification, question and deny access to unauthorized person(s) on campus property.

University Security personnel are not public safety officers and do not have the authority to make arrests or to enforce governmental laws, rules, or regulations. The University and Campus Security cooperate with federal, state and local law enforcement consistent with applicable law. The local police, fire and medical first responders work closely with the campus security staff when incidents arise that require joint investigative efforts, resources, crime related reports and exchange of information as deemed necessary.

The University community is strongly encouraged to report in an accurate and timely fashion any incidents of crime to Campus Security and/or the local police department. Campus Security will assist victims of crime with reporting the crime to the local police.

Services Which Campus Security Does Not Provide

There are certain services that University Security is unable to offer without detracting from its primary responsibilities:

- Providing campus telephone numbers. Please call the University Operator at (203) 576-4000 or see the University website at www.bridgeport.edu.
- Changing flat tires. Campus Security will however assist in securing help.
- Delivering and posting messages for class cancellations.
- Accepting deliveries for others.

Reporting Crimes and Other Emergencies

Members of the UB community must report crimes, medical and fire emergencies, hazardous conditions, significant safety concerns, suspicious activities or other incidents to Campus Security on the main campus at the University of Bridgeport by dialing x4911 from any main campus telephone, by calling (203) 576-4911 or (203) 576-4912. On the main campus of the University, you may also report crimes by activating your PAL or by reporting in person at Norseman Hall (221 University Avenue).

On the Waterbury and Stamford Centers, crimes and emergencies must be reported directly to 911. A follow-up call must then be made to the main campus security department at (203) 576-4911 or (203) 576-4912.

Members of the community are strongly encouraged to report these types of incidents accurately and promptly to Campus Security. Campus Security is primarily responsible for responding to these types of incidents on all campus. Campus Security provides emergency assistance, investigates and documents reported incidents, and is the liaison with all other public safety agencies.

Dispatchers are available on the main campus 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to answer all calls for service or emergencies. In response to a call, Campus Security will take the required action, dispatch an officer to the scene to initiate an investigation or ask the caller to report to Campus Security to file an incident report. Dispatchers are also responsible for monitoring various cameras, fire and other alarms. Campus Security utilizes card access systems and video surveillance to monitor campus buildings and property of the University of Bridgeport campus.

Campus Security will also aid victims in reporting a crime to the local police department.

Campus Security, in cooperation with local law enforcement agencies, investigates all reported criminal activities. Anyone with information regarding a crime or other situation posing an ongoing threat to the campus community should immediately notify Campus Security.

RED Emergency phones, located in buildings throughout the main campus, are connected directly to the Campus Security Office and require no dialing; just lift the phone from the cradle and wait for the dispatcher to answer. The following are the locations of the "red emergency phones":

- Arnold Bernhard Center, basement, 2nd, 6th and 8th floors near elevator lobby
- College of Chiropractic, 1st floor, west end, outside room 106
- Charles Dana Hall of Science, 1st floor, outside room 159 and inside Chemistry Lab room 124
- Engineering and Technology, 1st floor, east hall
- Eleanor Dana Hall, main hall, outside room 102
- Hubbell Gymnasium, main floor, south side
- Marina Dining Hall, west side by main entrance
- Wheeler Recreation Center, in pool area, outside of the director's office

There are also various emergency phone lines on the main campus that go directly to Campus Security in the following areas:

- Arnold Bernhard Center- all elevator cars
- Barnum Hall - outside main entrance
- Bodine Hall - outside main entrance and elevator cars
- Carlson Hall - elevator car
- Cooper Hall - outside main entrance
- Charles Dana Hall of Science - elevator car
- Seeley Hall - outside main entrance
- South Hall - outside main entrance

- Wahlstrom Library - all four elevator cars
- Warner Hall - outside main entrance and elevator cars

In addition, you may report a crime to the following departments:

Dean of Students	(203) 576-4392	Student Center
Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards	(203) 576-4228	Seeley Hall, rear entrance
Title IX Coordinator (Sexual Misconduct)	(203) 576-4534	Carstensen Hall

Campus Incident Reports

All Campus Security incident reports are forwarded to the Dean of Students' office for review and potential action by the Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards. Campus Security will investigate a report when it is deemed appropriate. Additional information obtained via the investigation will also be forwarded to the Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards. If assistance is required from the local police or fire departments, Campus Security will contact the appropriate unit. If Campus Security receives a report of sexual assault or rape, staff on the scene, including Campus Security, will notify the Title IX Coordinator and will offer the victim accommodations and protective measures, outlined more fully below in the "Sexual Misconduct Policy".

Campus Security Authorities

Campus Security Authorities (CSAs) are required to notify Campus Security when allegations of Clery Act crimes are reported to them in their capacity as a CSA. The United States Department of Education has defined those who must report crimes for the compilation of this annual report to be:

- Campus Security personnel;
- Any additional individual who has responsibility for campus security (e.g., Guest Relations Associates who monitor access to residence halls);
- Any school official "with significant responsibility for student and campus activities"; and
- Any individual or organization specified in an institution's statement of campus security policy as an individual or organization to which students and employees should report criminal offenses.

While job titles may vary from institution to institution, the rules indicate that a dean of students, director of athletics, team coaches, director of a campus health services, director of counseling services, Title IX Coordinator, and faculty advisors to student groups meet the criteria for being Campus Security Authorities.

The Clery Act carves out two exemptions to the definition of a Campus Security Authority: Pastoral Counselor and Professional Counselor. A *Pastoral Counselor* is an employee of an institution who is associated with a religious order or denomination, is recognized by that religious order or denomination as someone who provides confidential counseling and is functioning within the scope of that recognition as a pastoral counselor. A *Professional Counselor* is an employee, or individual under contract to provide counseling at an institution, whose official responsibilities include providing mental health counseling to members of the institution's community and who is functioning within the scope of his or her license or certification.

Campus "Pastoral Counselors" and Campus "Professional Counselors", when acting as such, are not considered to be a Campus Security Authority and are not required to report crimes for inclusion in the annual disclosure of crime statistics. As a matter of

policy, they are encouraged, if and when they deem it appropriate, to inform persons being counseled of the procedures to report crimes on a voluntary (and confidential) basis for inclusion in the annual crime statistics.

Campus Security and Interagency Relationship

Campus Security is notified of crimes occurring at non-campus locations through local law enforcement agencies when those agencies request assistance or when they routinely pass along information that may be of mutual interest. Annually, Campus Security requests a summary of criminal activity from local law enforcement agencies for the following:

- On-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by the University;
- Non-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by student organizations that are recognized by the University;
- Non-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by the University that are used in direct support of, or in relation to, the University’s educational purposes, or are frequently used by students, but are not in the same adjacent or contiguous geographic area of the University; and
- Public property, including parks, thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that are within the campus or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

Voluntary Confidential Crime Reporting

The Campus Security Department partners with Counseling Services to encourage students to report crimes. The University allows confidential reporting through counselors or other designated channels and includes such reports in annual crime statistics, provided that generally applicable criteria are met.

If you are the victim of a crime and do not want to identify yourself to administrators or pursue action within the University system or the criminal justice system, you may still want to consider making a confidential report to a counselor in Counseling Services. With such information, the University will have accurate data regarding the frequency of criminal activity, may be able to determine whether there is a pattern of crime with regard to a specific location, method or assailant; and may be able to alert the campus community to any potential danger while still protecting your identity.

Department of Campus Security	(203) 576-4911 or (203) 576-4912	Norseman Hall
Counseling Services	(203) 576-4454	Carstensen Hall

University of Bridgeport Medical Emergencies

In the event of any medical (or other) emergency:

Main Campus: should dial x4911 from a main campus line or (203) 576-4911 or (203) 576-4912 and clearly state your emergency to the dispatcher. Do not hang up the phone until the dispatcher has taken all the required information. The University of Bridgeport Security Department, in conjunction with Bridgeport Fire/Rescue, will respond to the emergency. If you are on the main campus, UB recommends that you not call 911 directly as you may need to dial an “8” or “9” first (from a campus phone) to obtain an outside line. The phone trunk may not provide a location for the 911 operator should the caller become incapacitated, and the 911 operator may dispatch an EMS vehicle to the campus with a crew that may not be familiar with the campus. By calling x4911, first, from a campus line or (203) 576-4911 or (203) 576-4912 from a cellphone, the dispatcher can better serve you by providing more immediate assistance such as an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) in the case of a

heart attack. In the event that you are unable to use a telephone, you may activate your Personal Alarm Locator (PAL) and security will be dispatched. Your picture and location will automatically appear on two screens at the Security office. Security will then respond to the location of your PAL.

Waterbury and Stamford Centers: should call 911 directly for any medical or other emergency. If possible, contact the campus administrators at those locations and the main campus for documentation.

Emergency Medical Services (Main Campus)

The University of Bridgeport does not have its own ambulance service, but calls on American Medical Response (AMR), a nationally run ambulance service, to provide EMS response and transport services for the University of Bridgeport main campus community. Call Campus Security when you believe someone's life is threatened, when someone faints or collapses, has persistent chest pain, difficulty breathing, or is injured (e.g., bleeding profusely).

In non-emergencies, all students can visit Student Health Services located at the main campus 60 Lafayette Street, Room 119, during office hours. After office hours, Campus Security can provide students with a taxi-voucher which will provide them with a free round trip to and from an emergency room in the Greater Bridgeport area.

Campus Security Reports

A copy of a Campus Security Incident Report can be obtained from the University's Campus Security Department. After you complete an Incident Report Request, which may be obtained at the front desk, the University's attorney will review the report for compliance with privacy laws and other issues, and a determination will be made as to whether an Incident Report may be partially or fully released to you. It will typically take two business days for the request to be processed.

University of Bridgeport Emergency Management

The University of Bridgeport Emergency Operations Center Team is activated whenever there is a major emergency situation that requires coordination of both internal and external resources to ensure the continuation of education services at the University.

Emergency Operations Center Team

The Emergency Operations Center is located on the main campus of the University of Bridgeport. The Emergency Operations Planning Team is organized under the Incident Command System (ICS) and headed by the Incident Commander. Members are activated based on the type and nature of the incident to manage the operational aspects of the University's response to an emergency event. Each member of the team is defined to have critical responsibilities on a University wide basis during emergency situations. All members have alternates in case of the primary team member's absence.

Emergency Operations members are as follows:

- Executive Director of Campus Security
- Vice President of Facilities
- Legal Counsel
- Executive Director of Public Relations
- Dean of Students

- Executive Director of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards
- Director of Health Services
- Director of Counseling Services
- Director of Facilities
- EOC Scribe

Emergency Operations Support Team members are as follows:

- President
- Vice President of Administration and Finance
- Director of Human Resources
- Registrar
- International Student Services
- Director of Information Technology
- Dining Services General Manager
- Director of Special Services
- Disability Services

Emergency Response and Evacuation

The University conducts emergency response exercises annually, tests the emergency notification systems on campus numerous times throughout the year and participates in field exercises in collaboration with the local city Emergency Management and/or police department. These tests are designed to assess and evaluate the emergency plans and capabilities of the institution.

Campus Security directors and supervisors have received training in Incident Command and Responding to Critical Incidents on Campus. If a serious incident occurs that causes an immediate threat to the campus, the first responders to the scene are usually the Campus Security staff, local police and/or the local fire department, and they typically respond and work together to manage the incident. Depending on the nature of the incident, other public safety departments and other local or federal agencies may also be involved in responding to the incident.

In an emergency, the residence halls will be secured and students and employees will be directed to a safe location.

An evacuation drill is coordinated by Campus Security and the Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards each semester for all residential facilities. Thus, the emergency response and evacuation procedures are tested at least twice each year. Students learn the locations of the emergency exits in the buildings and are provided guidance about the direction they should travel when exiting each facility for a short-term building evacuation. Campus Security does not tell residents in advance about the designated locations for long-term evacuations because those decisions are affected by time of day, location of the building being evacuated, the availability of the various designated emergency gathering locations on campus, and other factors such as the location and nature of the threat. In both cases, Campus Security and Residential Life staff on the scene will communicate information to students regarding the developing situation or any evacuation status changes.

The purpose of evacuation drills is to prepare building occupants for an organized evacuation in case of an emergency. Evacuation drills are used as a way to educate and train occupants on issues specific to their building. During the drill, occupants practice drill procedures and familiarize themselves with the location of exits and the sound of the fire alarm. In addition to educating the occupants of each building about the evacuation procedures during the drills, the process also provides the University with an opportunity to test the operation of fire alarm system components.

Evacuation drills are monitored by Campus Security and the Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards to evaluate egress and behavioral patterns. Reports are prepared by participating departments which identify deficient equipment so that repairs can be made immediately. Recommendations for improvements are also submitted to the appropriate departments/offices for consideration.

Students receive information about evacuation and shelter-in-place procedures at the start of a semester. Housing and Residential Life Staff members are trained in these procedures as well and act as an on-going resource for the students living in residential facilities.

Campus Security and Residential Life coordinate announced evacuation drills each semester, as described above, to test the emergency response and evacuation procedures, and to assess and evaluate the emergency evacuation plans and capabilities.

Shelter-in-Place Procedures—What it Means to "Shelter-in-Place": If an incident occurs and the buildings or areas around you become unstable, or if the air outdoors becomes dangerous due to toxic or irritating substances, it is usually safer to stay indoors, because leaving the area may expose you to that danger. Thus, to "shelter-in-place" means to make a shelter of the building that you are in, and with a few adjustments this location can be made even safer and more comfortable until it is safe to go outside.

Basic "Shelter-in-Place" Guidance: If an incident occurs and the building you are in is not damaged, stay inside-seeking an interior room-until you are told it is safe to come out. If your building is damaged, take your personal belongings (purse, wallet, keys, medicine etc.) and follow the evacuation procedures for your building (close your door, proceed to the nearest exit, and use the stairs instead of the elevators). Once you have evacuated, seek shelter at the nearest University building quickly. If police or fire department personnel are on the scene, follow their directions.

How You Will Know to "Shelter-in-Place": A shelter-in-place notification may come from several sources, including Campus Security, Housing and Residential Life Staff members, other University employees, the federal government, local police or other authorities utilizing the University's emergency communications tools.

How to "Shelter-in-Place": No matter where you are, the basic steps of shelter-in-place will generally remain the same. Should the need ever arise, follow these steps, unless instructed otherwise by local emergency personnel:

- If you are inside, stay where you are. If you are outdoors, proceed into the closest building quickly or follow instructions from emergency personnel on the scene.
- Locate a room to shelter inside. It should be:
 - An interior room
 - Above ground level and
 - Without windows if possible or with the least number of windows.
- If there is a large group of people inside a particular building, several rooms may be necessary
- Shut and lock all windows and close exterior doors. Stay away from all doors and windows
- Make a list of the people with you and ask someone to call the list in to Campus Security, if possible.
- Be prepared to move quickly if the need arises due to an evacuation order.
- Be prepared to barricade/lock the entrance or doorway, remain quiet (silence all electronic devices) and shut lights off in the room that you are in if violence has or is expected to occur.
- Never leave your shelter in place location until told to do so by a confirmed member of an Emergency Services Department or confirmed Campus Security Officer.

General information about the emergency response and evacuation procedures for University of Bridgeport is publicized each year as part of the institution's Clery Act compliance efforts and is located on the University of Bridgeport website at:

<http://www.bridgeport.edu/files/4413/6933/6425/EmergencyResponse.pdf>.

Detailed information about and updates to the Emergency Plan are available on the University of Bridgeport portal. The Emergency Plan is also distributed to the local Emergency Operation Center (EOC) and local first responders.

Notification to the University of Bridgeport Community of an Immediate Threat

All members of the University of Bridgeport Community are notified on an annual basis that they are required to notify the Campus Security Department of any situation or incident on campus that involves a significant emergency or dangerous situation that may involve an immediate or ongoing threat to the health and safety of students and/or employees on campus. Campus Security has the responsibility of responding to, and summoning the necessary resources, to mitigate, investigate, and document any situation that may cause a significant emergency or dangerous situation. In addition, the local Police Department has a responsibility to respond to such incidents to determine if the situation does in fact, pose a threat to the community. If that is the case, federal law requires that the institution immediately notify the campus community or the appropriate segments of the community that may be affected by the situation.

Emergency Notification System

If Campus Security confirms that there is an emergency or dangerous situation that poses an immediate threat to the health or safety of some or all members of the University of Bridgeport Community, University Administrators will collaborate to determine the content of the message and will use some or all of the systems described below to communicate the threat to the University of Bridgeport Community or to the appropriate segment of the community, if the threat is limited to a particular building or segment of the population. For example, the entire campus community will be notified when there is at least the potential that a very large segment of the community will be affected by a situation, or when a situation threatens the operation of the campus as a whole. There will be a continuing assessment of the situation and additional segments of the campus community may be notified if a situation warrants such action. University Administration will, without delay, take 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 judgment of the first responders (including, but not limited to: local police or fire), compromise the efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

In the event of a serious incident that poses an immediate threat to members of the University of Bridgeport community, the University has implemented an electronic notification system which will send a message to as many as six unique addresses provided by each community member. Such addresses include voice, text or email sent to cell phones, land lines, computers and hand held devices such as iPhones, Blackberries and Android phones. All community members are urged to access Web Advisor at <http://www.bridgeport.edu>, register for this no-cost service, and maintain accurate contact information. If you incur any problems, please contact Campus Security at (203) 576-4913.

Other methods of communication include network emails, Residential Life communications with residential students and emergency messages that will be placed on the University of Bridgeport website at <http://www.bridgeport.edu> and the University of Bridgeport portal. Some or all of these methods of communication may be activated in the event of an immediate threat to the University of Bridgeport community. The University will continue to post updates during a critical incident on the University of Bridgeport web site and portal.

Notification of criminal activities can also be obtained through our daily incident log which is available for viewing in the security office.

The University publicizes emergency response and evacuation procedures on at least an annual basis in a manner designed to reach students and staff, including but not limited to: campus-wide trainings on lock-down procedures, shelter-in-place, and evacuation. The University tests the emergency response and evacuation procedures at least twice a year.

Timely Warning

If a situation arises, that in the judgment of the Executive Director of Security, constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat to the safety of members of the University community, a “timely warning” will be issued by the Dean of Students, Assistant Dean of Students, Executive Director of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards or Director of Housing and Residential Life in consultation with the Provost. A warning will be posted appropriately on campus, generally by placing a copy in a suitable location in each residence hall, Knights’ End, Marina Dining Hall, Café Scribe, and academic buildings at the involved campus.

Depending on the particular circumstances of an incident, especially in situations that could pose a significant and immediate threat to the community or individuals, the Office of the Dean of Students may also transmit the warning through the University’s e-mail system or portal to students, faculty, and staff, and/or post a notice on the University of Bridgeport web site at: www.bridgeport.edu, to enhance the speed of distribution of such information to the University community.

In incidents where the alleged or known perpetrator has been identified and the threat of future incidents has been minimized or eliminated by the person(s) being banned from campus, the residence halls, and/or incarcerated; community notices may not need to be published or may be published only in certain locations. Anyone with information warranting a timely safety warning should report the circumstances to Campus Security by telephone (203) 576-4911 or (203) 576-4912 or in person at Campus Security in Norseman Hall (221 University Avenue).

Security Awareness and Crime Prevention Programs

From the very start of a student’s acclimation to campus (during the orientation programs, residence hall programs, international student programs, commuter programs, etc.), Campus Security, the Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards, and other departments (Local Police and International Student Services, etc.) present safety and security awareness programs for all students matriculating on campus. Similar information is presented to employees. Crime Prevention and Sexual Assault Prevention Programs and bystander Intervention programs are offered on a continual basis. A common theme of all awareness and crime prevention programs is to encourage students and employees to be aware of their responsibility for their own security and the security of others.

“See Something, Say Something” Security Awareness Program, New Domestic and International Student Orientation Security Awareness, Evacuation/Lockdown Procedures and Employee Health and Safety Fairs are just a few of the different programs we present to our students, faculty and staff. These programs continue throughout the year in academic and non-academic buildings during normal working hours as well as after hours.

Education and Prevention Resources

UB offers educational programs on health, safety, security, and many other topics throughout the year in and outside of the residence halls. Educational resources are available for students, staff and faculty on topics including, but not limited to, safety procedures on and off campus, alcohol poisoning prevention, illegal and prescription drug abuse, sexual health and decisions in the presence of alcohol and other drugs, , and preventing and responding to sexual assault, intimate partner violence, dating violence or domestic violence. The University of Bridgeport has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Center for Family Justice, a local sexual assault and domestic violence advocacy agency that is available to offer a variety of services to victims of sexual assault and intimate partner violence including education and prevention resources (for UB's policies and procedures regarding sexual misconduct, please see pages 24 – 28).

Advocacy and Support for Victims of Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence

Sexual assault response services are provided by Campus Security, the Title IX Coordinator, Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards, Counseling Services, Student Health Services, and the University's Sexual Assault Response and Prevention Team. UB offers immediate advocacy and support for sexual assault, domestic or relationship abuse survivors, as well as ongoing counseling and advocacy through its Sexual Assault Response and Prevention Team.

The University works with the survivor to facilitate a change in living situation and/or classroom situation, when appropriate. The University will enforce known restraining orders or direct survivors to resources where orders of protection can be obtained.

For UB's policies and procedures regarding sexual misconduct, please see pages 24 -28.

Student Responsibility

Students are encouraged to take an active role in crime prevention by taking steps to be responsible for their own personal safety and the security of their personal belongings.

Students are taught to always lock residential room doors, never prop open room or exterior building doors and never allow anyone into the residential hall without following proper sign-in procedure. Additional safety steps include, always locking your vehicles and placing items of value out of sight, locking bicycles with sturdy locks, utilizing the campus personal safety escort service, and reporting any suspicious activity immediately to Campus Security.

All students, employees and visitors should report criminal activity on the main campus to the Campus Security by calling (203) 576-4911 or (203) 576-4912. You may also report incidents in person at the Campus Security Office located in Norseman Hall, directly behind the library.

The PAL system, which only works in most areas of the main campus, is a crime preventive device that you should always carry on your person. If you request assistance from Campus Security, please have your PAL available and ready for use. Keep it in your hand attached to your keys and do not put it in your book bag where it would require time to locate and activate for immediate assistance.

Responsible Action and Peer Intervention/Amnesty

The University expects all students to behave responsibly. Further, the University encourages students to summon help for peers who are observed to be in a potentially dangerous situation, including, but not limited to, abuse of alcohol, drugs, and/or sexual assault. In support of peer intervention, the University will not generally initiate disciplinary action against a student who seeks medical or other assistance for a peer, even if the reporting student is in violation of alcohol, drug or other provisions of the Code of Community Standards. The University may, however, require the reporting student to attend a drug/alcohol training program. Reporting students are expected to: (1) report the incident by contacting Campus Security (203) 576-4911, a staff member of the Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards (203) 476-4228, and/or other appropriate official(s); (2) remain with their peer in distress until attended to by emergency personnel; and (3) cooperate with any University investigation, including without limitation speaking with appropriate University personnel. This policy does not apply when: (1) the reporting student has committed a repeated, flagrant, or serious violation of the Code of Community Standards (e.g. acts of violence, assault, distribution of alcohol or drugs, hazing, property damage, etc.); (2) the reporting student caused harm to another person requiring emergency assistance or response; or (3) the reporting student is seeking medical assistance for his/her own medical emergency. Furthermore, this policy does not restrict the jurisdiction or action of local police or other authorities.

Residence Halls

Residence halls are located on the main campus only. Every residence hall has a Resident Hall Director and Resident Assistants who reside there and provide assistance to the students living in the hall. Residential housing is manned by Campus Security officers and Guest Relations Associates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. They monitor local cameras to the specific building they are assigned to and maintain a logbook that keeps a record of all guests that are granted access to the building. The sponsor student must come to the front desk to sign the guest into the building. All guests are required to leave an identification card at the front desk when visiting a student in the residential halls. Accepted IDs are valid University of Bridgeport card, valid driver's license/state ID, valid passport and a valid military ID. Visitors are the responsibility of the sponsor student and must adhere to all university policies governing their stay. In order to ensure that access to the building is restricted, students and visitors are warned that no one may prop a door open or allow unauthorized persons into the residence halls.

Safety Tips

In the Residence Halls

- Make sure your room door has a peephole and that the lock works properly.
- Be sure all windows have secure frames and locks.
- Report any maintenance deficiencies that may compromise building security to your resident advisor.
- Never hide your door key anywhere outside your residence.
- If you lose your room key, report it, and obtain a new one; don't rely on your roommate to be around to open your door for you.
- Lock your door whenever you leave, even if only for a short time (e.g. going to take a shower).
- Never leave your wallet, purse, laptop, or valuables unattended.

When Walking

- Walk in groups of three or more, or contact Campus Security for a walking escort.
- Walk only in well-lit areas and avoid short cuts through poorly lit vacant lots and other deserted places.
- If a driver stops you to ask for directions, do not get too close to the vehicle to avoid being pulled inside or have something stolen from you.
- If you think you are being followed, change direction and head for a well-lit area with other people around.

Off Campus

- Keep your doors locked and dead bolted.
- Check every window in your house for windows that won't latch or that were left open.
- After having any type of maintenance or repair work done in your home, check all windows and doors to make sure they have not been tampered with by the work personnel for later access to your home.
- Do not leave keys to your house outside. Leave a key with a trusted friend.
- If you plan to return home after dark, make sure to leave exterior lights on before you leave. Motion detector lighting is very effective.
- Do not open your door unless you know who's on the other side.
- If approached while outside your home, keep your distance and/or retreat back into your home, locking the door.
- Before getting in your car, give it a quick visual check, outside and inside as you approach. Have your key in your hand and ready to use.
- When exiting any building, whether home, office, store or other public place, look in all directions as you exit.

At All Times

- Report all suspicious persons or activity to Campus Security.
- Call Campus Security if you experience minor theft problems over a period of time.
- Program Campus Security's phone number into your cell phone.
- Carry your Personal Alarm Locator (PAL) at all times while on campus.

Walking Escort Service

Campus Security offers an on-campus walking escort service 24 hours a days for your security. Simply call the department at (203) 576-4913, state your name, location, and destination, and as long as your route is on University property, an officer will accompany you to your location.

On the Waterbury and Stamford Centers, contact the front desk to request a security escort during their work hours.

Shuttle Bus Service

Campus Security operates a free shuttle bus service around the main University of Bridgeport campus and to sites off campus such as the Bridgeport Bus, Train, and Ferry Depot.

Neighborhood Driving Escort Service

Campus Security provides students on the University of Bridgeport main campus with an off-campus neighborhood escort between the hours of 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. Students wishing to utilize this service can call (203) 576-2413, give their name, ID number, location, reason for the request and destination. Upon the officer's arrival, the student presents their student identification card and will then be escorted to their destination. The escort service covers the area between the University and Railroad Avenue and to Fairbridge Commons (corner of Fairfield Avenue and Norman Street). This is not a campus building to building escort but is used to transport students to and from campus for school related matters. The program also includes transportation to:

- Park Avenue Supermarket (corner of Park Avenue and Gregory Street) - open until 11 p.m.
- Pops Grocery (corner of Main Street and Henry Street) – open until 8 p.m.
- Captain's Food Mart (corner of Main Street and Whiting Street) – open until 8 p.m.
- Leo's Restaurant (corner of Main Street and Whiting Street) - open until 9 p.m.
- Walgreens (corner of Fairfield Ave and Park Ave) – after midnight only
- Bridgeport Train Station - after midnight only.

Personal Alarm Locators

Using your Personal Alarm Locator (PAL) will activate the PAL system on campus. The PAL system is only used on the main campus of the University. Your picture and location will automatically appear on two screens at the Security office. Security will then respond to the location of your PAL, even if it is in motion.

Lost & Found

The lost and found is located at the main office of Campus Security. If you come into possession of a lost item, immediately bring it to Campus Security for safekeeping and documentation. Lost items are held by Campus Security for 30 days before they are donated or discarded.

At the Waterbury and Stamford Centers, found items can be brought to the Administrative Office.

Suspicious Mail & Packages

If you come across mail or packages that look suspicious, contact Campus Security immediately at (203) 576-4911 or (203) 576-4912. Do not move, touch or handle the suspicious letter or package. Simply leave it, and leave the area. If you or someone else has come in contact with the letter or package, take precaution and wash your hands with soap and water and let medical staff know that you have come in contact with the suspicious letter or package or its contents. Secure the area of the object by not allowing anyone access to the immediate area until Security arrives by means of physical barricade, tape or distance. Upon arrival, Security will initiate an investigation of the mail or package and if needed, the local police department would be contacted.

It is not necessary to evacuate the building unless a threat has been issued or an unfamiliar substance is either present on the outside of the object or is leaking from the object.

Security of and Access to Campus Facilities

Access to campus buildings and grounds is a privilege extended to students, faculty, staff, and guests. The University encourages an open environment, with limitations, to assure adequate protection of all members of the University community. Except for residence halls, most campus facilities are normally open when classes are in session or by special arrangements with the building manager, Special Events, or Campus Security. The public may be invited to attend cultural and recreational events on campus, with access limited to facilities in which the events are held. The University reserves the right to exclude from its premises individuals who present a potential threat or whose behavior has interfered with the rights of others or with a safe and secure campus environment. Authorization for use of campus grounds for assembly purposes must be obtained in advance from the Special Events Office and Campus Security. At night and during times when the campus is officially closed, University buildings are locked, and only faculty, staff, and students with proper authorization are permitted into such buildings.

Access to the Waterbury and Stamford Centers is provided in accordance with the contracted dates and times of operation.

The Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards, working with Campus Security, controls access to all residence halls 24 hours a day through an electronic card access system. Guest Relations Associates and Security Officers are at the front desks of Barnum, Bodine, Chaffee, Cooper, Seeley and University halls 24 hours a day. Students gain access to their residence halls by using their proximity cards at the entrance of each hall. ID cards are non-transferable and may not be used by any other person for any other purpose. Individuals who suspect their ID cards may have been lost or stolen should contact Campus Security immediately. The University will prosecute any unauthorized person who trespasses or loiters on University property.

Proper lighting and building security are critical factors in the reduction of crime on campus. The Facilities Department maintains buildings and grounds with a concern for safety and security. Inspections of campus facilities are conducted on a regular basis and repairs are made as quickly as possible. During the academic year, the Directors of Facilities Management, the Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards, Campus Security, and Maintenance meet weekly to discuss issues of pressing concern. All members of the campus community are encouraged to report safety and security hazards to the Facilities Department or Campus Security.

Monitoring and Reporting of Criminal Activity of Non Campus Organizations

University of Bridgeport has not recognized or supported any non-campus organizations.

Off Campus Student Misconduct

The Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards determines whether or not disciplinary action under the Code of Community Standards (Code) shall be initiated when a student is involved in off campus student misconduct. This decision is made on a case by case basis. University disciplinary proceedings may be initiated against a student charged with conduct that potentially violates both the criminal law and the Code without regard to whether or not civil or criminal proceedings are pending. Proceedings under this Code of Community Standards may be carried out prior to, simultaneously with, or following civil or criminal proceedings off campus at the discretion of the USCO (University Student Conduct Officer). Available sanctions include: Deferred Suspension, Disciplinary Probation, Disciplinary Warning, Dismissal, Expulsion, Fine, Interim Suspension, Loss of Privileges, Residence Hall Separation or Relocation, Restitution, Revocation of Admission and/or Degree, Suspension, and Withholding Degree. Other sanctions may be imposed as determined appropriate by the University.

Determinations made or sanctions imposed under this Code shall not be subject to change because criminal charges arising out of the same facts giving rise to violation of University rules were dismissed, reduced, or resolved in favor of or against the criminal law defendant. When a student is charged by federal, state, or local authorities with a violation of law, the University will not request or agree to special consideration for that individual because of his/her status as a student. If the alleged offense is also being processed under the Code of Community Standards, the University may advise off-campus authorities of the existence of the Code of Community Standards and of how such matters are typically handled within the University community. The University will attempt to cooperate with law enforcement and other agencies in the enforcement of criminal law on campus and in the conditions imposed by criminal courts for the rehabilitation of student violators (provided that the conditions do not conflict with campus rules or sanctions). Individual students and other members of the University community, acting in their personal capacities, remain free to interact with governmental representatives as they deem appropriate.

Campus Groups and Organizations

The following sanctions may be imposed upon groups or organizations engaged in conduct that violate the Code of Community Standards:

1. All sanctions applicable to students.
2. Loss of selected rights and privileges for a specified period of time.
3. Loss of all privileges, including university recognition, for a specified period of time.

When the Community Standards Hearing Board determines that a student and/or group or organization has violated the Code, the sanction(s) shall be determined and imposed by the Student Conduct Administrator (SCA). The SCA is not limited to sanctions recommended by members of the Community Standards Hearing Board. Following the hearing, the SCA shall advise the student, group and/or organization (and a reporting party who believes he or she was the victim of another student's conduct) in writing of its determination and of the sanction(s) imposed, if any.

Missing Student Notification Policy

This policy contains the official notification procedures for The University of Bridgeport concerning missing students who reside in on-campus housing, in accordance with the requirements of the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008 (HEOA). The purpose of this policy is to promote the safety and welfare of members of the University community through compliance with HEOA requirements. This policy should be adhered to by all University faculty, staff, and students.

In the event that a member of the University community has reason to believe that a student who resides in on-campus housing is missing, he or she shall immediately notify Campus Security. Campus Security will generate a missing person report and initiate an investigation. In addition, Campus Security will report the missing person to the Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards if such information has not already been conveyed.

During the course of the investigation, Campus Security will determine if the student has been missing for 24 hours. In such event Campus Security will notify all surrounding law enforcement agencies and the student's designated contact person(s) no later than 24 hours after it has been determined that the student is missing. If the missing student is under the age of 18 and is not an emancipated individual, Campus Security will notify the student's parent or legal guardian after they determine that the student has been missing for 24 hours.

Students residing in on-campus housing are required to identify an individual to be contacted by the University in the event that they are deemed to be a missing student. The contact information will be registered confidentially and will only be accessible to authorized campus officials and law enforcement personnel as part of a missing person investigation. The University will notify that person no later than 24 hours after the student is determined to be missing.

This policy is effective from the date of issuance and will be made available to all members of the campus community. Its availability will be through postings on the University website, emergency response plan manual, Residential Life handouts/publications and statistical information brochures issued annually by the University of Bridgeport.

Drug and Alcohol Policy

The University of Bridgeport's drug and alcohol policies prohibit the unlawful possession, use, sale, or distribution of alcohol and controlled substances/illicit drugs by students, faculty, and staff. All members of the University of Bridgeport community are expected to fulfill their obligations and responsibilities pursuant to institutional policy and federal, state, and local laws. Any disciplinary action imposed by the University may be in addition to penalties imposed by an off campus authority. Students and employees are subject to prosecution under applicable local, state, or federal laws. Employees are encouraged to review and comply with the Drug and Substance Abuse Free Workplace Policy and related policies contained in the Employee Handbook and accessible on the myUB portal. All students receive a hard copy of the University of Bridgeport Student Handbook "The Key to UB" which clearly states alcohol and other illicit drug policies, sanctions, resource/referral information, campus and community support services and a description of health-risks associated with such use. The "Key to UB" is also available to the entire campus community on-line at

http://www.bridgeport.edu/docs/StudentLife/KeytoUB/Key_to_UB.pdf

Connecticut State law prohibits the possession of alcohol by persons under the age of 21 on public or private property, including within University residence halls.

Alcohol and substance abuse education is provided to all student-athletes every year. Additionally, all residential life staff receive training and education on alcohol and substance abuse education as well as on local resource services and how to make appropriate referrals. On-going educational workshops on this topic are offered for both residential students and commuters at numerous times throughout the academic year. Mandatory and optional educational programs are held before students begin taking classes on campus as well as throughout the year in and outside of residence halls and classrooms.

The Division of Student Affairs conducts an annual review of alcohol and illicit drug policies.

Policy on Guns, Replicas of Guns and Other Weapons

In the interest of promoting a safe work and learning environment, the University of Bridgeport prohibits any employee, student, visitor, guest, contractor or subcontractor to carry any weapon or any item intended to appear as a defense weapon, such as brass knuckles or martial arts weaponry on UB property or at UB events, whether visible or concealed, unless specifically authorized.

The University of Bridgeport is committed to providing its students with a safe and healthy learning and living environment. The possession or use of guns and/or other weapons or replicas of such weapons, or objects which might reasonably be mistaken for weapons, is contrary to this commitment and the spirit of an academic community where free expression, civil disagreement and debate are encouraged. Therefore, the possession or use by students of guns, replicas of guns and/or other weapons, or objects

which might reasonably be mistaken for weapons, whether or not the object is loaded with live ammunition, capable of being fired, or when operable capable of administering deadly force, is absolutely prohibited in all University facilities and all University owned, rented, or leased property.

Students found to be in violation of this policy will be subject to sanctions including immediate suspension from the University. Students who have knowledge of guns or other weapons on campus, or who know of individuals who have threatened to use a weapon, should immediately report this information to any of the following:

Department of Campus Security	(203) 576-4911	Norseman Hall
Dean of Students	(203) 576-4393	Student Center
Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards	(203) 576-4228	Seeley Hall, rear entrance

This prohibition against weapons applies equally to those carried by persons with a government issued permit or license. The only exceptions are listed below:

- University security staff authorized to carry weapons;
- Local, state and federal law enforcement officers;
- Members of the United States armed forces while on duty; and
- Martial Arts Weapons in the possession of Martial Arts teacher/student(s).

There may be activities related to the educational mission of the University (e.g., theatrical productions) that appear to violate the letter, but not the intent of this policy, by using weapon replica(s). In such cases the department or organization coordinating the activity is responsible for notifying the Office of Campus Security or Vice President of Facilities prior to the event.

Weapons and replicas in violation of this policy are subject to summary confiscation by University staff or security personnel. Any person who is in violation of this policy is subject to referral to governmental authorities for legal sanctions in addition to any disciplinary actions the University may take.

Martial Arts Weapon Policy Exception

Both metal and non-metal martial arts weapons may be used or transported on campus under the direct supervision of a Martial Arts Studies Program faculty member, an individual designated by the program co-chair, or Campus Security. Resident students may not transport or store Martial Arts Weapons in the residence halls. Upon arrival to campus, these students must report their weapons to a Martial Arts Studies Program faculty member, an individual designated by the program co-chair, or Campus Security.

In addition, wooden martial arts weapons (with no metal components) may be used in the Wheeler Recreation Center Martial Arts training area with permission from and at the discretion of the Wheeler Recreation Center supervisor on duty. These martial arts weapons will be stored under lock at Wheeler Recreation Center with access limited to the Martial Arts Studies Program faculty, an individual designated by the program co-chair, Campus Security, and Wheeler Recreation Center supervisors.

Sexual Misconduct Policy

The University of Bridgeport's Code of Community Standards prohibits sexually violent acts, termed "Sexual Misconduct", which also encompasses certain criminal sexual behavior. Sexual misconduct includes non-consensual sexual intercourse, non-consensual sexual contact, sexual exploitation, dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, sex/gender-based stalking, and sexual harassment. While University of Bridgeport utilizes different standards and definitions than the Connecticut General Statutes, sexual misconduct often overlaps with the crimes of rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, and domestic

violence. Victims of these behaviors are protected by federal laws, specifically Title IX and the Clery Act, which mandates the contents of this report.

It is the policy of the University of Bridgeport not to notify local/campus law enforcement when sexual misconduct occurs, unless a victim wishes or there is an emergency threat to health or safety. Victims have the option to notify law enforcement directly, or to be assisted in doing so by campus authorities. If requested, campus officials can facilitate reporting to campus or local law enforcement, but may also respect a victim's request not to do so.

In an effort to reduce the risk of sexual misconduct as well as the crimes of rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, and domestic violence occurring among its students, the University utilizes a range of campaigns, strategies, and initiatives to promote awareness, educational, risk reduction, and prevention programming.

It is the policy of the University of Bridgeport to offer programming to identify and prevent domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault (including stranger and known offender assaults), and stalking each year. Educational programs are offered to raise awareness for all incoming students and employees, and are often conducted during new student and new employee orientation and throughout an incoming student's first semester. Programs and other campaigns offered throughout the year to all students and employees include strong messages regarding not just awareness, but also primary prevention. Programs also offer information on risk reduction that strives to empower victims, how to recognize warning signals and how to avoid potential attacks, and do so without victim-blaming approaches. Educational programs and workshops to promote awareness about sexual assault and related issues are coordinated by the Dean of Students, Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards, Student Health Services and the Title IX Coordinator. Campus-wide awareness events include "Take Back the Night", Domestic Violence Vigils in collaboration with the Center for Family Justice (a local sexual assault agency), and Sexual Assault Awareness Walks. Educational programs and workshops include "Haven: Understanding Sexual Assault" bystander education training required for new students and an Equalogy Theatre presentation on sexual assault during Week of Welcome activities. The Center for Family Justice also provides workshops on sexual assault to all new students during summer orientation. We conduct Healthy Relationships workshops in residence halls and first year seminar classes throughout the year.

Bystander engagement is encouraged through safe and positive intervention techniques and by empowering third-party intervention and prevention such as calling for help, using intervention-based apps, and/or creating distractions. Bystander empowerment training highlights the need for those who intervene to ensure their own safety in the intervention techniques they choose, and motivates them to intervene as stakeholders in the safety of the community when others might choose to be bystanders. The University engages in various forms of bystander intervention programming like the Red Flag Campaign. Programs are informed by evidence-based research and/or are assessed for their effectiveness.

Protective Measures

In the event that sexual misconduct, gender-based violence, or the crimes of sexual assault, stalking, dating violence, or domestic violence do occur, the University of Bridgeport takes the matter very seriously. The University employs interim protection measures such as interim suspensions and/or no contact orders in any case where a student's behavior represents a risk of violence, threat, pattern, or predation. Protective measures are kept confidential to the extent that it would not impair the ability of the University to provide accommodations or protective measures. If a student is accused of sexual misconduct, other gender-based violence, or the crimes of rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, or domestic violence, the student is subject to action in accordance with the Code of Community Standards in the Key to UB, student handbook. An employee accused of sexual misconduct is subject to action in accordance with the Employee Handbook. A student or employee wishing to officially report such an incident may contact the Title IX Coordinator at (203) 576-4534. A student or employee may also report sexual misconduct, gender-based violence or the crimes of sexual assault, stalking, dating violence or domestic violence by contacting Campus Security at (203) 576-4911 or (203) 576-4912. Anyone with knowledge about sexual misconduct, gender-based violence, or the crimes

of rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, or domestic violence is encouraged to report it immediately. Protective measures for victims are available whether a victim chooses to report to local and/or campus law enforcement, and irrespective of whether a victim pursues a formal complaint through the University's resolution process.

Preservation of Evidence

If you are the victim of sexual misconduct, gender-based violence, or the crimes of rape, acquaintance rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, or domestic violence, some or all of these safety suggestions may guide you after an incident has occurred:

1. Go to a safe place and speak with someone you trust. Tell this person what happened. If there is any immediate danger, contact Campus Security at (203) 576-4911 or (203) 576-4912 if you are on campus or call 911 if you are off campus.
 2. Consider securing immediate professional support (e.g., counseling services, victim advocacy, medical services, etc.) to assist you in the crisis.
 3. If you are on campus during regular business hours, you may go to Counseling Services located at Carstensen Hall, 2nd Floor, (203) 576-4454, as well as to Student Health Services located at Student Health Building, Room 119, (203) 576-4712 for support and guidance. These are both confidential resources. After regular business hours, or in any situation where a victim wishes, local resources are also available and may be able to provide confidential assistance. The Center for Family Justice offers free and confidential 24-hour crisis and intervention services. The main office number is 203 334-6154. Sexual assault hotline numbers are (203) 333-2233, toll free TTY TDD access (888) 999-5545 and En Español (888) 568-VEDA.
 4. For your safety and well-being, immediate medical attention is encouraged. Further, being examined as soon as possible, ideally within 120 hours, is important in the case of rape or sexual assault. Two local hospitals, Bridgeport Hospital and St. Vincent's Medical Center, provide a wide range of services for survivors of interpersonal violence. Follow up evaluation and testing is recommended. Medical evidence may also be collected. Campus Security can assist with arranging transportation. You can also visit Student Health Services, Health Science building Room 119, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- To preserve evidence, it is recommended that you do not bathe, shower, douche, eat, drink, smoke, brush your teeth, urinate, defecate, or change clothes before receiving medical attention. Even if you have already taken any of these actions, you are still encouraged to have prompt medical care, and evidence may still be recoverable.
 - Typically, if police are involved or will be involved, they will obtain evidence from the scene, and it is best to leave things undisturbed until their arrival. They will gather bedding, linens or unlaundered clothing, and any other pertinent articles that may be used for evidence. It is best to allow police to secure items in evidence containers, but if you are involved in transmission of items of evidence, such as to the hospital, secure them in a clean **paper** bag or clean sheet to avoid contamination.
 - If you have physical injuries, photograph or have them photographed, with a date stamp on the photo.
 - Record the names of any witnesses and their contact information. This information may be helpful as proof of a crime, to obtain an order of protection, or to offer proof of a campus policy violation.
 - Try to memorize details (e.g., physical description, names, license plate number, car description, etc.), or even better, write notes to remind you of details, if you have time and the ability to do so.

- If you obtain external orders of protection (e.g., restraining orders, injunctions, protection from abuse), please notify Campus Security or the campus Title IX Coordinator so that those orders can be observed on campus.
- 5. Even after the immediate crisis has passed, consider seeking support from Counseling Services, Student Health Services and/or The Center for Family Justice.
- 6. Contact the Title IX Coordinator or Campus Security if you need assistance with University-related concerns, such as no-contact orders or other protective measures. Campus Security can also direct survivors to resources where orders of protection can be obtained. The University is able to offer reasonable academic supports, changes to living arrangements, transportation resources or modifications, escorts, no contact orders, counseling services access, and other supports and resources as needed by a victim. The University is able to offer information about legal assistance, visa/immigration assistance, student financial aid considerations for victims.

Legal Definitions

Rape is generally defined as forced sexual intercourse. It may also include situations where the victim is incapable of giving consent due to incapacitation by means of disability or alcohol or other drugs. Many rapes are committed by someone the victim knows, such as a date or friend.

Under Connecticut law, a person is guilty of Sexual Assault in the first degree when such person (1) compels another person to engage in sexual intercourse by the use of force against a victim such other person or a third person, or by the threat of use of force against such other person or against a third person which reasonably causes such person to fear physical injury to such person or a third person, or (2) engages in sexual intercourse with another person and such other person is under thirteen years of age and the actor is more than two years older than such person, or (3) commits sexual assault in the second degree as provided in section 53a-71 and in the commission of such offense is aided by two or more other persons actually present, or (4) engages in sexual intercourse with another person and such other person is mentally incapacitated to the extent that such other person is unable to consent to such sexual intercourse.

Under Connecticut Law, Domestic Violence and Dating Violence is an incident resulting in physical harm, bodily injury or assault, or an act of threatened violence that constitutes fear of imminent physical harm, bodily injury or assault, including, but not limited to, stalking or a pattern of threatening, between family or household members. Verbal abuse or argument shall not constitute family violence unless there is present danger and the likelihood that physical violence will occur.

“Family or household member” means any of the following persons, regardless of the age of such person: (A) Spouses or former spouses; (B) parents or their children; (C) persons related by blood or marriage; (D) persons other than those persons described in subparagraph (C) of this subdivision presently residing together or who have resided together; (E) persons who have a child in common regardless of whether they are or have been married or have lived together at any time; and (F) persons in, or who have recently been in, a dating relationship.

Under Connecticut Law, Stalking is defined as a person knowingly engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for such person’s physical safety or the physical safety of a third person; or a person intentionally, and for no legitimate purpose, engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear that such person’s employment, business or career is threatened, where (A) such conduct consists of the actor telephoning to, appearing at or initiating communication or contact at such other person’s place of employment or business, provided the actor was previously and clearly informed to cease such conduct, and (B) such conduct does not consist of constitutionally protected activity.

The conduct would include two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts in which a person directly, indirectly or through a third party, by any action, method, device or means, follows, lies in wait for, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, harasses,

communicates with or sends unwanted gifts to, a person, or interferes with a person's property.

Procedures for Complaints of Sexual Misconduct, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Stalking

The Division of Student Affairs publishes the *Key to UB*, which details the operation of the Student Conduct System and procedures for the investigation and resolution of complaints pursuant to oversight by the University's Title IX Coordinator. Both the complainant and the alleged violator (respondent) in any matter alleging nonconsensual sexual activity are permitted to be assisted by an advisor during a hearing before the Title IX Disciplinary Committee. The Committee ultimately determines whether or not the respondent is responsible for violating the Code by a preponderance of the evidence standard. Both the complainant and respondent are informed of the Committee's decision. Sanctions for violations of University policies regarding sexual assault may include the following and other measures: disciplinary probation, suspension, or expulsion; relocation or loss of campus housing privileges; and reassignment of academic courses to avoid contact with the complainant. All University Student Conduct sanctions are separate from any criminal sanctions that may be imposed on by the courts. Employees of the University can review the Employee handbook, located on the myUB portal, for procedures for the investigation and resolution of complaints involving employees.

For offenses including sexual misconduct or other gender based violence, which typically include the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, and stalking, sanctions range from disciplinary probation to expulsion. Serious and violent incidents and acts of non-consensual sexual intercourse (the policy equivalent to the crime of rape) usually result in suspension, expulsion, or termination of employment. Lying to investigators (and/or failing to participate in an investigation) can result in additional consequences under the Code of Community Standards.

Procedurally, when the University receives a report of sexual misconduct, gender-based violence, or other sex or gender discrimination, the campus Title IX Coordinator is notified. If the victim wishes to access local community agencies and/or law enforcement for support, the University will assist the victim in making these contacts. The Title IX Coordinator will offer assistance to victims in the form of interim or long-term measures such as opportunities for academic accommodations; changes in housing for the victim or the responding student; changes in working situations; and other assistance as may be appropriate and available on campus or in the community (such as no contact orders, campus escorts, transportation assistance, targeted interventions, etc.). If the victim so desires, that individual will be connected with a counselor on- or off-campus. No victim is required to take advantage of these services and resources, but the University provides them in the hopes of offering help and support without condition or qualification. A written summary of rights, options, supports, and procedures is provided to all victims, whether they are students, employees, guests, or visitors.

When appropriate, upon receipt of notice, the Title IX Coordinator will cause a prompt, fair, and impartial process to be initiated, commencing with an investigation, which may lead to the imposition of sanctions based upon a preponderance of evidence (what is more likely than not), upon a responding student or other accused individual. Procedures detailing the investigation and resolution processes of the University can be found in the *Key to UB*, Student handbook, accessible on the University's webpage and the Employee Handbook, accessible on the myUB portal. UB seeks to promptly address sexual misconduct without undue delay, by investigating complaints within 60 days of receipt of the complaint. The Title IX Coordinator is ultimately responsible for assuring in all cases that the behavior is brought to an end, the University acts to reasonably prevent its recurrence, and the effects on the victim and the community are remedied. The Coordinator is also responsible for assuring that training is conducted annually for all investigators, hearing officers, panelists, and appeals officers that encompass a hearing process that protects the safety of victims and promotes accountability. Training will focus on sexual misconduct, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, sexual harassment, retaliation, and other behaviors that can be forms of sex or gender discrimination covered by Title IX and Clery Act. Training will help those decision-makers in the process of protecting the safety of victims and promoting accountability for those who commit offenses.

The investigation and records of the resolution conducted by the University are maintained confidentially. Information is shared internally between administrators who need to know, but a tight circle is kept. Where information must be shared to permit the investigation to move forward, the person bringing the accusation will be informed. Privacy of the records specific to the investigation is maintained in accordance with Connecticut law and the federal FERPA statute. Any public release of information needed to comply with the open crime logs or timely warning provisions of the Clery Act will not include the names of victim or information that could easily lead to a victim's identification. Additionally, the University of Bridgeport maintains privacy in relation to any accommodations or protective measures afforded to a victim, except to the extent necessary to provide the accommodations and/or protective measures. Typically, if faculty members or administrators are asked to provide accommodations for a specific student, they are told that such accommodations are necessary under Title IX or the Clery Act, but they are not given any details of the incident, or what kind of incident it is. Irrespective of state law or public records access provisions, information about victims is maintained privately in accordance with Title IX and FERPA.

In any complaint of sexual misconduct, sexual assault, stalking, dating violence, domestic violence, or other sex or gender-based discrimination covered under the federal law, Title IX, the person bringing the accusation and the responding party are entitled to the same opportunities for a support person of their choice throughout and to fully participate in the process, including any meeting, conference, hearing, appeal, or other procedural action. The Complainant(s) and the Respondent(s) may be assisted by an advisor of their choice, at their own expense. The advisor cannot act as an attorney, except in cases of Sexual Misconduct. The Complainant and/or the Respondent are responsible for presenting his or her own information, and therefore, advisors are not permitted to speak or to participate directly in a hearing. Once complete, the parties will be informed, in writing, of the outcome, including the finding, the sanctions (if any), and the rationale therefor. Notice will be provided simultaneously to the parties. All parties will be informed in writing of the University's appeal processes, and their rights to exercise a request for appeal. Should any change in outcome occur prior to finalization, all parties will be timely informed in writing, and will be notified when the results of the resolution process become final.

Both Title IX and the Clery Act provide protections for whistleblowers who bring allegations of non-compliance with the Clery Act and/or Title IX to the attention of appropriate campus administrators. The University does not retaliate against those who raise concerns of non-compliance. Any concerns should be brought to the immediate attention of the campus Title IX Coordinator and/or to officials of the U.S. Department of Education.

Code of Community Standards

Sexual Assault/Rape includes any conduct prohibited by Connecticut General Statutes or any conduct classified as a federal forcible or nonforcible sex offense under the uniform crime reporting system of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. It includes any nonconsensual, unwanted, coerced, forced or threatened sexual contact and/or sexual intercourse. Where one of the participants is physically or mentally incapacitated, such as by a drug, alcohol or other intoxicant, consent may not be legally given; therefore, sexual contact is in violation of the Code. Sexual contact is defined as, but is not limited to, any contact with the intimate parts of a person either directly or through clothing with a clothed or unclothed body part or object. "Consent" is an understandable exchange of affirmative words or actions, which indicate a willingness to participate in mutually agreed upon sexual activity. Consent must be informed, freely and actively given. It is the responsibility of the initiator to obtain clear and affirmative responses at each stage of sexual involvement. The lack of a negative response is not consent. Past consent of sexual activity does not imply ongoing future consent.

Sexual Harassment is any unwelcoming sexual conduct or advances related to any condition of employment, evaluation, student performance or which creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment, including, but not limited to, unwarranted sex-related comments, sexually explicit comments or graphics, unwelcome touching, derogatory jokes based upon sex, using crude or

offensive language, spreading rumors about a person's sexuality, placing a compromising photograph on the web, ogling, unwanted sexual advances, intimate partner violence or retaliation against an individual reporting sexual harassment.

Sexual exploitation includes, but is not limited to sexually engaging another person without having explicit consent; allowing a third party sexual access to a person impaired by drugs/alcohol; the prostitution of any person; electronically recording or transmitting sexual activities without permission; allowing someone to be watched during sexual activity without permission; spreading sexual related information about a person; voyeurism; or knowingly exposing or transmitting sexually transmitted diseases to a sexual partner.

Stalking includes any conduct prohibited by Connecticut General Statutes 53a-181 and any course of conduct directed to 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 emotional distress, including but not limited to, two or more acts directly or through a third party which monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about a person. This misconduct can involve, but is not limited to: (i) lying in wait or knowingly repeatedly running into the victim; (ii) unwelcome excessive phone calls, text messages, notes, etc.; (iii) watching or recording the victim from a distance; (iv) threats to harm a victim or a victim's family, friends, teachers, pets, or property whether the threats are delivered personally or through a third party; (v) vandalism of the victim's property; (vi) sending unwanted gifts, or leaving items that hold significance within the relationship between the victim and stalker. It also includes CYBERSTALKING which is delivered through electronic devices and includes, but is not limited to, (i) posting online, the use of websites, email, text messaging, online social media, phone calls, malicious emails and instant messaging; (ii) creating multiple online accounts to harass a victim; (iii) hacking into the victim's personal website, email account(s), phone account(s) or social media account(s); or (iv) continuous posting of malicious and/or untrue information online to websites or social media.

The University strictly prohibits all forms of intimate partner violence, which is also referred to as domestic or dating violence, and includes any act of violence or threatened violence against a person with whom the assaulter is involved in a dating or sexual relationship. It can affect individuals of all genders, gender identity and gender expression.

Dating Violence includes any violence committed by a person who is or has been in a romantic or intimate relationship with the victim (which will be determined based upon the reporting person's statement and the length and nature of the relationship) and includes sexual or physical abuse or threats of abuse.

Intimate Partner Violence is physical or sexual harm inflicted upon a current or former spouse or person in a dating relationship that results from sexual assault, stalking or family violence as defined by Connecticut criminal statutes.

Domestic Violence is any crime of violence committed by a current or former spouse, intimate partner, or person residing in the same household, or in violation of Connecticut family violence statutes.

Definition of Consent

Consent is an understandable exchange of affirmative words or actions, which indicate a willingness to participate in mutually agreed upon sexual activity. Consent must be informed, freely and actively given. It is the responsibility of the initiator to obtain clear and affirmative responses at each stage of sexual involvement. The lack of a negative response is not consent. An individual who is incapacitated by drug and/or alcohol may not give consent. Past consent of sexual activity does not imply ongoing future consent.

Enforcement of Policy

The University of Bridgeport is committed to maintaining an environment that supports its primary educational mission and is free from all sexual exploitation and intimidation, consistent with its commitment to Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972. The University does not tolerate rape, sexual assault, intimate partner violence or other forms of nonconsensual sexual activity.

The University implements this policy in numerous ways, including educational prevention programs and a variety of support services for victims, including but not limited to counseling and medical support services. The policy is enforced through internal disciplinary procedures, personal safety and security programs, and support for the prosecution of alleged offenders through appropriate external judicial forums.

Additionally, the University of Bridgeport has made every effort to offer sexual assault, stalking, dating violence and intimate partner violence primary prevention training to all students, staff and faculty. The training includes but is not limited to the following:

- a. Training is offered for all new incoming students. This training covers sexual assault and intimate partner violence primary prevention and awareness programming and is offered to all new students. Additionally, students are emailed biennially the policy related to Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner violence and a pamphlet with information and resources related to Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence by the Dean of Students and the Human Resources Director. Information about Sexual Assault Prevention and Resources is included in every new student's orientation folder.
- b. Sexual Assault, Intimate Partner Violence and Resources on and off campus are provided during a mandatory training for all new International Students annually.
- c. There is mandatory annual training provided for all Residential Life staff. This is coordinated with the local Sexual Assault Crisis Center, The Center for Family Justice. The University of Bridgeport has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Center for Family Justice, a local sexual assault and domestic violence advocacy agency that is available to offer a variety of services to victims of sexual assault and intimate partner violence
- d. Sexual Harassment Training for Faculty and Staff. There is a two hour mandated Sexual Harassment Training for new hires and then every two years for supervisors. This training is also made available to all staff, and all staff is encouraged to attend every year.
- e. Information on Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence, as well as campus and community resources is emailed to the entire campus community once per semester.
- f. Community Standards Hearing Board Training - the Student Conduct Board goes through formal training regarding the conduct procedures, Title IX, Sexual Assault, Stalking and Intimate Partner Violence every semester.
- g. Athletics- All student athletes attend a mandatory session which includes information and resources related to Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence
- h. An annual training for Security staff is offered by CONNSACS or the Center for Family Justice, our Local Sexual Assault Crisis Center.
- i. Trainings and awareness campaigns are held throughout the year on Sexual Assault and Healthy Relationships in the Residence Halls and throughout campus through a collaborative effort with the Center for Family Justice. These include health fairs, residence hall programs, pledge drives, walks and poster campaigns.

Violations of this policy include, but are not limited to, the following: Any form of nonconsensual sexual intercourse, committed by physical force, coercion, threat, or intimidation, actual or implied, by a person or persons known or unknown to the victim. Sexual intercourse can involve anal, oral, or vaginal penetration. Any actual or attempted nonconsensual sexual activity by a person or persons known or unknown to the victim, including, but not limited to the following: sexual intercourse, or sexual touching, committed without physical force, coercion, threat, or intimidation; exhibitionism; or sexual language of a threatening nature. Nonconsensual sexual activity shall include, but not be limited to, situations in which the victim is unable to consent because he or

she is physically helpless, is mentally incapacitated due to drug or alcohol consumption, or is unconscious, regardless of whether or not the consumption of drugs or alcohol was with the victim's consent.

Intimate Partner Violence refers to a pattern of behavior utilized by an individual to assert control and power over a former or current intimate partner including current or former dating partner, or spouse, and can be perpetrated by heterosexual or same-sex couples. This behavior includes physical violence, sexual assault, emotional and psychological abuse. This type of behavior by students or employees (which is also known as dating, domestic, and relationship violence, battering or spousal abuse), violates the University's policy and will not be tolerated. Anyone found in violation of said policy will be subject to severe disciplinary action which could include termination of employment, or for students, expulsion from the University.

Victims of nonconsensual sexual activity are encouraged to file a complaint as soon after the alleged incident as possible. Preserve as much physical evidence as possible (such as clothing or bodily fluids); do not shower, bathe or change clothes. This evidence will be vital to the investigation.

An individual not directly related to the University may file a complaint with the University when there is a significant relationship to the mission and interests of the University. Complaints against students are forwarded to the Title IX Officer, or to the Dean of Students Office for resolution within the University's Student Conduct System. Complaints against University employees are forwarded to the Title IX Officer or to the Director of Human Resources. Members of the University community found to be in violation of this policy through the procedures and systems described in the preceding paragraph are subject to sanctions, including but not limit to, suspension, permanent expulsion, and/or termination of employment. This policy supplements all other University policies related to sexual abuse and harassment, all of which remain in effect. The University applies all policies consistently in a manner as to effectuate their collective purposes.

Important Numbers

On Campus assistance for sexual assault victims includes:

Title IX Coordinator	Carstensen Hall, First Floor 174 University Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604	(203) 576-4534
Department of Campus Security	Norseman Hall 221 University Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604	(203) 576-4913
Counseling Services (confidential)	Carstensen Hall, Second Floor 174 University Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604	(203) 576-4454
Student Health Services (confidential)	Health Science Building, Room 119 60 Lafayette Street Bridgeport, CT 06604	(203) 576-4712
Dean of Students	John J. Cox Student Center 244 University Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604	(203) 576-4392
Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards	Seeley Hall (Rear) 490 Waldemere Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06604	(203) 576-4228

Off campus assistance is available at:

The Center for Family Justice	(203) 334-6154 24 Hour Hotline (203) 333-2233
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Women & Families Center, Sexual Assault Crisis Services in CT	24Hour Hotline (888) 999-5545
V.E.D.A.S. (Español)	(888) 568-8332
Local Domestic Violence Hotline	(203) 384-9559
National Domestic Violence Hotline	(800) 799-SAFE (7233)
Bridgeport Hospital	(203) 384-3000
St. Vincent's Medical Center	(203) 576-6000

Sex Offender Registration Policy

Any person who has committed a criminal offense against a victim who is a minor or a nonviolent sexual offense, has been convicted of a sexually violent offense, is subject to registration as a sexual offender, or committed a felony for a sexual purpose, and is employed by, works at, or is a student of, the University is required without delay to notify the Connecticut Commissioner of Public Safety. (54 C.G.S. Section 250). The University reserves the right to require Sexual Offenders to vacate the residence halls or to comply with other restrictions. Information regarding registered sexual offenders can be obtained from the Connecticut Department of Public Safety (www.ct.gov/dps) or through the link below http://www.communitynotification.com/cap_office_disclaimer.php?office=54567.

Definitions of Geographical Categories

Campus

On-Campus means 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

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 vendor or other retail vendor).

On-Campus Student Housing Facility

An **on-campus student housing facility** is 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. This definition includes the following types of housing:

- Undergraduate, graduate, and married student housing
- Single family houses that are used for student housing
- Summer school student housing
- Buildings that are used for student housing but also have faculty, staff or any other individuals living there. (Does not include faculty-only housing. Institution-owned or controlled faculty-only housing that is located on the campus belongs only in the "on-campus" category.)
- Buildings that are owned by a third party that has a written agreement with your institution to provide student housing. It doesn't matter whether the rent is paid to the third party by the institution on behalf of the students or paid directly by the students.
- Fraternity or sorority houses that are owned or controlled by your institution or are located on property that your institution owns or controls.

Noncampus Building or Property

Noncampus means any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the institution; or

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.

A building or property that the institution owns, rents, leases, or has any other type of written agreement for, is considered to be "controlled by" the institution. A written agreement includes an informal letter or e-mail.

Note that there is a difference between an agreement that gives your institution control over a building or a specific space within a building, and a program agreement. For example, if your institution has an agreement to send nursing students to a nearby hospital to participate in a program there, but your institution does not have a written agreement giving you use of any space within the hospital, you should not include the hospital in the non-campus category.

If your school owns an off-campus apartment building and puts a management company in charge, **but doesn't use the building for student housing**, do not include the building in your non-campus category (even if some of your students happen to rent apartments there).

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.

Definitions of Reportable Crimes

In compliance with the Clery Act, definitions of reportable crimes (murder, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, arson, illegal weapons possession violations, drug abuse violations, liquor law violations and hate crimes) are taken from the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting Guidelines. The definitions for sex offenses are excerpted from the National Incident-Based Reporting System Edition of the Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook.

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. (It is not necessary that injury result from an aggravated assault when a gun, knife, or other weapon is used which could and probably would result in serious personal injury if the crime were successfully completed).

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

Burglary: The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft. An incident must meet three conditions to be classified as a Burglary: 1) There must be evidence of unlawful entry (trespass). This means that the person did not have the right to be in the structure at the time the incident occurred. 2) The unlawful entry must occur within a structure, which is defined as *having four walls, a roof, and a door*. 3) The structure was unlawfully entered to commit a felony or a theft. If the intent was not to commit a felony or a theft, do not classify the incident as Burglary.

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 and where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors: the length of the relationship, the type of relationship and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

For purpose of this definition,

- dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse;

- dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence.

Domestic violence: a felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed by:

- a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim,
- a person with whom the victim shares a child in common,
- a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner,
- a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving grant monies [under VAWA], or
- 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.

Drug Abuse Violation: 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).

Hate Crimes: Federal law defines hate crimes as a criminal offense that manifests evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the perpetrator's bias against the victim.

Bias is a preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their race, gender, gender identity, religion, disability, sexual orientation or ethnicity/national origin.

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, whites).

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.

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.

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).

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.

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 individuals.

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.

National Origin: A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of people based on their actual or perceived county 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.

Any incidents of Larceny-Theft, Simple Assault, Intimidation, or Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property committed against a person or property which is motivated, in whole or in part, by the offender’s bias constitutes a hate crime.

Larceny-Theft: the unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another.

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.

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.

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.

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., maintaining unlawful drinking places; bootlegging; operating a still; furnishing liquor to a minor or intemperate person; underage possession; using a vehicle for illegal transportation of liquor; drinking on a train or public conveyance; and attempts to commit any of the above.

Manslaughter by Negligence—Criminal Homicide: The killing of another person through gross negligence. Manslaughter by Negligence is any death caused by the gross negligence of another. In other words, it’s something a reasonable and prudent person would not do.

Motor Vehicle Theft: The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. (Classify as motor vehicle theft all cases where automobiles are taken by persons not having lawful access even though the vehicles are later abandoned including joyriding).

Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter - Criminal Homicide: The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another. (Criminal Homicide includes any death caused by injuries received in a fight, argument, quarrel, assault or the commission of a crime.)

Negligent Manslaughter: The killing of another person through gross negligence. Gross negligence is the intentional failure to perform a manifest duty in reckless disregard of the consequences as affecting the life or property of another. In other words, it’s something that a reasonable and prudent person would not do.

Referred for Campus Discipline: The referral of any student to any campus official who initiates a disciplinary action of which a record is kept and which may result in the imposition of a sanction. This is the number of referrals, not the number found responsible.

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

Sex Offenses: Any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the

victim is incapable of giving consent.

Fondling: 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.

Incest: Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

Rape: 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 offences includes the rape of both males and females.

Stalking: engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for the person's safety or the safety of others; or suffer substantial emotional distress. For the purposes of this definition:

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 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.

Substantial emotional distress means significant mental suffering or anguish that may, but does not necessarily, require medical or other professional treatment or counseling.

Reasonable person means a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the victim

Statutory Rape: Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

Weapon Law Violations: the violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchasing, transportation, possession, concealment, or use of firearms, or deadly weapons; cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices or other 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.

Crime Statistics 2013, 2014, 2015

The University of Bridgeport reports crime statistics to the Connecticut Department of Public Safety, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Department of Education. The Uniform Campus Crime Report lists on-campus crime statistics for the most recent three year period in accordance with State and Federal laws. This report covers the most recent period from January 1, 2015, though December 31, 2015.

A daily incident log is maintained at Norseman Hall (221 University Avenue) at the University Security Department for all reported incidents and is available at any time for public view. Crimes that occur off-campus are under the jurisdiction of the Bridgeport Police Department.

Residence Hall refers to all University-owned buildings that house students on campus. Other locations refer to all other buildings and facilities on the University's grounds, e.g., Cox Student Center, Wheeler Recreation Center, parking lots, etc.

The crime rate for 2015 was 0.013%. The "crime rate" is equal to the number of reported incidents divided by the total number of full-time equivalent students and employees. In 2015, the number of full-time equivalent students was 4435 and the number of full-time equivalent employees was 570. The average number of students living on campus in 2015 was 2165; the number of employees living on campus was 15.

Criminal Offenses University of Bridgeport - Bridgeport Campus

CRIMINAL OFFENSES

	CAMPUS PROPERTY						Noncampus Property			Public Property			Total by Crime		
	Residential Facility			Other Locations			2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses															
Rape	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Fondling	1	1	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	2
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	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
Robbery	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	4	3	2	4
Aggravated Assault	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	0
Burglary	3	1	4	3	5	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	10
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Arson	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Domestic Violence *	1	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	2
Dating Violence *	3	10	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	5	12	4
Stalking *	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0
Totals by location	12	17	12	10	14	8	2	0	0	4	1	4	27	32	24

*These categories were new for the 2014 reporting period and were not required to be reported in 2013.

ARRESTS

	CAMPUS PROPERTY						Noncampus Property			Public Property			Total by Crime		
	Residential Facility			Other Locations			2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
Weapon Violations	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Drug Violations	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5
Liquor Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals by location	0	1	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6

DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS

	CAMPUS PROPERTY						Noncampus Property			Public Property			Total by Crime		
	Residential Facility			Other Locations			2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
Weapon Violations	1	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	0
Drug Violations	10	21	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	21	20
Liquor Violations	10	31	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	31	15
Totals by location	21	56	35	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	56	35

SUMMARY OF CRIME STATISTICS

	2013	2014	2015
Criminal Offenses	27	32	24
Arrests	0	1	6
Disciplinary Referrals	22	56	35
Totals	49	89	65

Hate Crimes University of Bridgeport – Bridgeport Campus

2015: One on-campus simple assault incident characterized by sexual orientation bias and

 One on-campus intimidation incident characterized by race bias.

2014: No hate crimes reported.

2013: One on-campus intimidation incident characterized by sexual orientation bias.

Criminal Offenses University of Bridgeport – Stamford Campus

CRIMINAL OFFENSES

	CAMPUS PROPERTY						Noncampus Property			Public Property			Total by Crime		
	Residential Facility			Other Locations			2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015									
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses															
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	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
Statutory Rape	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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	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
Domestic Violence *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals by location	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

ARRESTS

	CAMPUS PROPERTY						Noncampus Property			Public Property			Total by Crime		
	Residential Facility			Other Locations			2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015									
Weapon Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals by location	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS

	CAMPUS PROPERTY						Noncampus Property			Public Property			Total by Crime		
	Residential Facility			Other Locations			2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015									
Weapon Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals by location	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

SUMMARY OF CRIME STATISTICS

	Total by Crime		
	2013	2014	2015
Criminal Offenses	0	0	0
Arrests	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0

Hate Crimes University of Bridgeport – Stamford Campus

There were no reported hate crimes for the years 2013, 2014 or 2015.

Criminal Offenses University of Bridgeport – Waterbury Campus

CRIMINAL OFFENSES

	CAMPUS PROPERTY						Noncampus Property			Public Property			Total by Crime		
	Residential Facility			Other Locations			2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015									
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses															
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	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
Statutory Rape	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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
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
Domestic Violence *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking *	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals by location	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

ARRESTS

	CAMPUS PROPERTY						Noncampus Property			Public Property			Total by Crime		
	Residential Facility			Other Locations			2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015									
Weapon Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals by location	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS

	CAMPUS PROPERTY						Noncampus Property			Public Property			Total by Crime		
	Residential Facility			Other Locations			2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015									
Weapon Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals by location	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

SUMMARY OF CRIME STATISTICS

	Total by Crime		
	2013	2014	2015
Criminal Offenses	0	0	2
Arrests	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	2

Hate Crimes University of Bridgeport – Waterbury Campus

There were no reported hate crimes for the years 2013, 2014 or 2015.

Campus Fire Safety Annual Compliance Report 2015

Overview

The Higher Education Opportunity Act (Public Law 110-315) became law in August, 2008, requiring all United States academic institutions to produce an annual fire safety report outlining fire safety practices, standards, and all fire-related on-campus statistics. The following public disclosure report details all information required by this law as it relates to the University of Bridgeport. Fire is defined as any instance of open flame or other burning in a place not intended to contain the burning or in an uncontrolled manner.

General Statement of College Owned/Controlled Student Housing

At the University of Bridgeport, all residence facilities located on the immediate campus property, have fully addressable panels with hard-wired smoke detectors and heat detectors, centrally monitored on campus. Fire alarm panels annunciate to the Campus Security Office. In regards to the University Apartments, each individual unit/apartment has a local battery powered smoke detector. The complex does not have a centralized fire alarm system.

Fire Safety Plans

If a fire is discovered in any university building, students, faculty, staff and visitors are encouraged to call the University of Bridgeport Campus Security Department, (203) 576-4911 or (203) 576-4912. The fire alarm emergency signal is a continuous sounding of the fire alarm. In case of a fire, each person in the residence hall or building should leave the building as quickly as possible, using available stairways and fire escapes. Each student, faculty staff or visitor should also leave room doors unlocked and close the door upon exiting their room. Students, faculty, staff and visitors should walk quietly and quickly downstairs and stand in a designated area away from the building.

Campus Fire Emergencies

If a fire occurs in a campus building, everyone should quickly exit the building, using available stairways and fire escapes. The emergency signal for a fire is a continuous sounding alarm. After reaching safety call the Campus Security Department for assistance at (203) 576-4911 or ext. 4911 from a campus phone.

Building Fire Equipment

Mechanical problems with locks, doors, or other security or fire equipment should be reported to Facilities Department or the Campus Security Department.

If you observe anyone maliciously pulling a fire alarm or discharging a fire extinguisher, contact the Campus Security Department.

Campus Security is responsible for maintaining fire extinguishers in all University buildings on campus. A contract company is utilized to annually inspect and certify all fire extinguishers, recharging and/or replacing units as required by the NFPA code.

Fire Safety Procedures

The act of discharging a fire extinguisher, lighting a fire, and misuse or tampering with the alarm or sprinkler systems is considered irresponsible behavior and endangers the lives of others and can result in immediate judicial or criminal action. The university reserves the right to pursue criminal charges through the appropriate authorities.

Misuse of fire safety equipment, including unnecessary discharge of fire extinguishers or intentionally setting off a false alarm will result in suspension to expulsion and restitution.

How to Report a Fire

If a burning odor or smoke is present, call the Campus Security Department

Emergency Telephone and Campus Numbers:

From a campus phone: Ext. 4911/4912

Cellphone or other landline: (203) 576-4911 or (203) 576-4912

Report the exact location of the fire and, if known, what is burning.

If a fire is detected, sound the building alarm by pulling an alarm station.

Campus Security Officers respond to fire alarms in all buildings. In addition to the response of Campus Security Officers, the local fire department responds to all audible fire alarms in all residential halls.

Fire Alarms

When a fire alarm sounds in a residence hall, all residents must evacuate the building immediately and completely. Evacuation is expected each and every time the fire alarm sounds. Failure to evacuate the building promptly during a fire alarm will result in a \$50.00 fine and possible disciplinary action. Please wait for Security to give the okay before reentering the building. In cases where it is determined that a false fire alarm has been perpetrated, each resident of that hall will be billed \$25.00 each time the intentional false fire alarm is pulled if we are unable to identify the perpetrator(s).

Fire Evacuation

Your cooperation in the following procedures may be important in saving your life and the lives of other residents of the community if a fire or similar disaster should occur. It is the responsibility of every resident to be familiar with these procedures and standards and to observe them fully.

A. When the alarm sounds, leave immediately.

B. If You Are In a Burning Building

1. If there is smoke in the room, keep low to the floor.

2. Call x4911 and/or 9-911 to report an emergency from your campus, room phone, or call (203) 576-4911 or 911 on your cell phone to report your location and the nature of the emergency.
3. Stay calm and report the emergency accurately.
4. If possible, put a wet towel over your mouth and nose.
5. Before passing through any doors, feel the metal doorknob. If it is hot, do not open the door. Attempt exit through a window if it is low enough to the ground.
6. Open the window from the top, if possible, (to let out the smoke and the heat) and from the bottom (to let in fresh air).
7. If you cannot exit out the window, hang something up in the window to attract the attention of the Fire Department, such as a pillowcase or shirt.
8. If you can open the door, brace yourself against the door and open it slowly in order to make sure there is no heat or heavy smoke on the other side. If there is, then close the door again.
9. If you are able to leave the room through the door, close it as you exit.
10. Go to the nearest exit or stairs. DO NOT USE THE ELEVATORS.
11. If it has not already been activated, activate the fire alarm system by pulling on the bar marked "PULL" or following the directions as stated on the alarm station.
12. If the nearest exit is blocked by fire, heat, or smoke, go to an alternate exit.
13. If all exits on the floor are blocked, go back to your room, close the door, open the window as described, wave something out the window, and shout for help.
14. After evacuating the building, stand clear of it by crossing the street or evacuating to a SAFE ZONE. Allow the fire-fighters and fire-fighting equipment to maneuver around the building as necessary.

Everyone must evacuate the building, including all employees, students, and visitors. Occupants of the building must exit according to predetermined escape routes. Diagrams of these escape routes are attached to the back of each residence hall door. Once outside the building, everyone must stand clear of the entrances. Return to the building is permitted only after the fire marshal evaluates the situation.

Policies Related to Fire Safety Measures

The use of appliances in students' rooms is limited. Therefore, only certain electric appliances are allowed in the residence halls including electric blankets, electric razors, fans, coffee makers, radios, stereos, computers, TVs and lamps (Halogen, touchier type floor lamps are strictly prohibited). Small electrical appliances that generate heat such as hair dryers, curling irons, clothes irons, and the like are permitted, but need to be used properly and not left unattended. Students need to examine their own appliances periodically for faulty wiring. Because they are fire hazards, students are not permitted the use of broilers, toasters, hot plates, candles, halogen, touchier floor lamps, or other items specified by residence life staff. Use of such items will be subject to fine and removal. Air conditioners and space heaters are also prohibited due to their power loads and our concern for fire safety.

Due to fire safety concerns, candles, items with open flames and incense are not allowed within the residence halls.

Smoking in all residence halls and cafeterias is against Connecticut State law. Students in violation of this policy and State law will be fined and face disciplinary action. Smoking is also prohibited within 20 feet of the entrance to any campus building. Chewing tobacco use is also prohibited on campus.

Fire Safety Training

University of Bridgeport Office of Residential Life Policy on Evacuation Drills

In accordance with state and local fire regulations, all residence halls will have a planned evacuation during each semester. It is crucial that resident students comply with the University Fire Safety Regulations, which are published in the Key to UB Student Handbook.

Frequency of Evacuation Drills

Evacuation Drills will be conducted at least once during each semester and will be conducted by the Security Department in conjunction with the Office of Housing, Residential Life and Community Standards and the Facilities Department.

Annual Residential Facility Fire Report 2015 – University of Bridgeport Campus

Fire is defined as any instance of open flame or other burning in a place not intended to contain the burning or in an uncontrolled manner.

Barnum Hall 150 Marina Park Circle	2013	2014	2015
Total Fires	0	0	0
Cause of Fire	-	-	-
Number of Injuries Requiring Treatment at a Medical Facility	-	-	-
Number of Deaths Related to the Fire	-	-	-
Value of Property Damage Caused by the Fire (in dollars)	-	-	-

Bodine Hall 80 University Avenue	2013	2014	2015
Total Fires	0	0	1
Cause of Fire	-	-	Piece of paper on a door set on fire
Number of Injuries Requiring Treatment at a Medical Facility	-	-	-
Number of Deaths Related to the Fire	-	-	-
Value of Property Damage Caused by the Fire (in dollars)	-	-	\$0-\$99

Chaffee Hall 411 University Avenue	2013	2014	2015
Total Fires	0	0	0
Cause of Fire	-	-	-
Number of Injuries Requiring Treatment at a Medical Facility	-	-	-
Number of Deaths Related to the Fire	-	-	-
Value of Property Damage Caused by the Fire (in dollars)	-	-	-

Cooper Hall 400 Linden Avenue	2013	2014	2015
Total Fires	0	1	0
Cause of Fire	-	Cooking (aluminum in microwave)	-
Number of Injuries Requiring Treatment at a Medical Facility	-	-	-
Number of Deaths Related to the Fire	-	-	-
Value of Property Damage Caused by the Fire (in dollars)	-	\$100-\$999	-

North/South Hall 79 University Avenue	2013	2014	2015
Total Fires	0	0	0
Cause of Fire	-	-	-
Number of Injuries Requiring Treatment at a Medical Facility	-	-	-
Number of Deaths Related to the Fire	-	-	-
Value of Property Damage Caused by the Fire (in dollars)	-	-	-

Seeley Hall 490 Waldemere Avenue	2013	2014	2015
Total Fires	0	1	0
Cause of Fire	-	Sheet placed over lamp caught on fire	-
Number of Injuries Requiring Treatment at a Medical Facility	-	1	-
Number of Deaths Related to the Fire	-	-	-
Value of Property Damage Caused by the Fire (in dollars)	-	\$0-\$99	-

University Place Apartments 575, 585, 587, 591, 595, 597, 609 Atlantic Street & 66 Rennell Street	2013	2014	2015
Total Fires	N/A	0	0
Cause of Fire	-	-	-
Number of Injuries Requiring Treatment at a Medical Facility	-	-	-
Number of Deaths Related to the Fire	-	-	-
Value of Property Damage Caused by the Fire (in dollars)	-	-	-

Annual Residential Facility Fire Report 2015 – Stamford Campus

There are no residential facilities on the Stamford Center.

	2013	2014	2015
Total Fires	0	0	0
Cause of Fire	-	-	-
Number of Injuries Requiring Treatment at a Medical Facility	-	-	-
Number of Deaths Related to the Fire	-	-	-
Value of Property Damage Caused by the Fire (in dollars)	-	-	-

Annual Residential Facility Fire Report 2015 – Waterbury Campus

There are no residential facilities on the Waterbury Center.

	2013	2014	2015
Total Fires	0	0	0
Cause of Fire	-	-	-
Number of Injuries Requiring Treatment at a Medical Facility	-	-	-
Number of Deaths Related to the Fire	-	-	-
Value of Property Damage Caused by the Fire (in dollars)	-	-	-

Campus Map – University of Bridgeport

