

### 2023 Annual Security Report for Nassau Community College

(Reporting Statistics for 2021, 2022, and 2023)



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# **Safety Awareness**

The Nassau Community College Public Safety Department is here to ensure that everyone's experience on campus is a safe and secure one. In order to help you enjoy your educational experience here on campus, we have prepared this information. Please take the time to read it thoroughly and familiarize yourself with it and refer back to it as necessary.

### We Care About You

Your campus Public Safety Department is dedicated to facilitating the educational process and assuring the safety and well-being of all Students, Staff, Faculty and Visitors.

A staff of NCC Public Safety Officers provide 24/7 motorized and foot patrols in and around campus buildings, and prompt response to requests for assistance ranging from reports of possible criminal activity to aiding motorists, vehicle accidents, emergencies and possible safety hazards. The staff are trained and licensed by New York State in accordance with the Security Guard Act of 1992. While our officers are not police or peace officers, they do have the authority as granted by the Nassau County Legislature to issue parking summonses and appearance tickets under Nassau County Ordinances 372, 482, Ordinance 238-1984 and Local Law 6.

The provisions of the New York State Education Law also govern behavior on College grounds. For the safety of the College community, Public Safety Officers have the right under this law to request any person on the campus grounds to produce identification. The cooperation of the College populace in this regard adds to everyone's safety. The Campus has established a "Threat assessment committee," this committee meets regularly to address concerns related to any type of threats to the safety of our community here on Campus.

A firm working relationship with the Campus CSA's, the Public Safety Department and mutual cooperation between the Nassau County Police and Public Safety ensures that all campus law enforcement needs are satisfied.

# We'll Keep You Informed

The Director of Public Safety regularly publishes information concerning good safety habits and procedures, displays seasonably appropriate safety and public service posters throughout the campus and provides information describing Public Safety Services. In addition, the Director regularly provides information to the Vignette (the College newspaper) regarding safety policies and procedures, individual responsibilities, and items of current concerns on campus.

Students and staff members are urged to utilize these Public Safety publications as educational opportunities to improve their overall awareness and ability to respond to matters of personal and public safety both on campus and off campus.

For more information feel free to visit www.NCC.edu and follow the prompts for any department including Campus Safety and/or General information.

# Jeanne Clery/Campus Crime Statistics Act

Federal Law requires that all colleges and universities receiving federal funding report on specific types of crimes and incidents occurring on their campuses, or other locations under the control of the institution. Below are the definitions of reportable crimes as defined by and excerpted from the National Incident-Based Reporting System Edition of the Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook. (For further information on the Clery Act and for links to the U.S. Department of Education's Crime statistics, go to <a href="www.clerycenter.org">www.clerycenter.org</a> and follow the links). These are the definitions that we are required to report under:

#### Arson:

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

### Homicide/Murder Criminal Homicide-Manslaughter by Negligence:

The killing of another person through gross negligence.

### Criminal Homicide-Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter:

The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

### 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.)

### Robbery:

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

### Burglary:

The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or theft. For reporting purposes this definition includes: unlawful entry with intent to commit a larceny or felony; breaking and entering with intent to commit a larceny; housebreaking; safecracking; and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned.

## 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.)

## Weapon Law Violations:

The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment, or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices, or other deadly weapons.

### Drug Abuse Violations:

The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution, and/or use of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their preparation and/or use. The unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation, or importation of any controlled drug or narcotic substance. Arrests for violations of State and local laws, specifically those relating to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing, and making of narcotic drugs.

### Liquor Law Violations:

The violations of State or local laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, or use of alcoholic beverages, not including the driving under the influence and drunkenness.

### Sex Offenses.

A sex offense is any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent. The Violence Against Women Act and its proposed regulations require the inclusion of certain New York State definitions in a campus's Annual Security Report and also require that those definitions be provided in campaigns, orientations, programs and trainings for employees and students. Definitions required include: consent; dating violence; domestic violence; sexual assault; and stalking.

#### Consent or Sex Offenses; lack of consent.

- 1. Whether or not specifically stated, it is an element of every offense defined in this article that the sexual act was committed without consent of the victim.
  - 2. Lack of consent results from:
  - (a) Forcible compulsion; or
  - (b) Incapacity to consent; or
- (c) Where the offense charged is sexual abuse or forcible touching, any circumstances, in addition to forcible compulsion or incapacity to consent, in which the victim does not expressly or impliedly acquiesce in the actor's conduct; or
- (d) Where the offense charged is rape in the third degree as defined in subdivision three of section 130.25, or criminal sexual act in the third degree as defined in subdivision three of section 130.40, in addition to forcible compulsion, circumstances under which, at the time

of the act of intercourse, oral sexual conduct or anal sexual conduct, the victim clearly expressed that he or she did not consent to engage in such act, and a reasonable person in the actor's situation would have understood such person's words and acts as an expression of lack of consent to such act under all the circumstances.

- 3. A person is deemed incapable of consent when he or she is:
- (a) less than seventeen years old; or
- (b) mentally disabled; or
- (c) mentally incapacitated; or
- (d) physically helpless; or.... (Penal Law § 130.05)

Affirmative consent to sexual activity.

- 1. Every institution shall adopt the following definition of affirmative consent as part of its code of conduct: "Affirmative consent is a knowing, voluntary, and mutual decision among all participants to engage in sexual activity. Consent can be given by words or actions, as long as those words or actions create clear permission regarding willingness to engage in the sexual activity. Silence or lack of resistance, in and of itself, does not demonstrate consent. The definition of consent does not vary based upon a participant's sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression."
- 2. Each institution's code of conduct shall reflect the following principles as guidance for the institution's community:
- a. Consent to any sexual act or prior consensual sexual activity between or with any party does not necessarily constitute consent to any other sexual act.
- b. Consent is required regardless of whether the person initiating the act is under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol.
- c. Consent may be initially given but withdrawn at any time.
- d. Consent cannot be given when a person is incapacitated, which occurs when an individual lacks the ability to knowingly choose to participate in sexual activity. Incapacitation may be caused by the lack of consciousness or being asleep, being involuntarily restrained, or if an individual otherwise cannot consent. Depending on the degree of intoxication, someone who is under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicants may be incapacitated and therefore unable to consent.
- e. Consent cannot be given when it is the result of any coercion, intimidation, force, or threat of harm.
- f. When consent is withdrawn or can no longer be given, sexual activity must stop. (Education Law § 6441)

### Consent, abbreviated:

A clear, unambiguous, and voluntary agreement between the parties participating to engage in specific sexual activity.

### Dating violence:

New York State does not specifically define "dating violence." However, under New York Law, intimate relationships are covered by the definition of domestic violence when the act constitutes a crime listed elsewhere in this document and is committed by a person in an "intimate relationship" with the victim.

#### Domestic violence:

An act which would constitute a violation of the penal law, including, but not limited to acts constituting disorderly conduct, harassment, aggravated harassment, sexual misconduct, forcible touching, sexual abuse, stalking, criminal mischief, menacing, reckless endangerment, kidnapping, assault, attempted murder, criminal obstruction or breaching or blood circulation, or strangulation; and such acts have created a substantial risk of physical or emotional harm to a person or a person's child. Such acts are alleged to have been committed by a family member. The victim can be anyone over the age of sixteen, any married person or any parent accompanied by his or her minor child or children in situations in which such person or such person's child is a victim of the act.

#### Sexual Assault:

New York State does not specifically define sexual assault. However, according to the Federal Regulations, sexual assault includes offenses that meet the definitions of **rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape** as used in the FBI's UCR (Uniform Crime Reporting) program.

## Acts of sexual misconduct:

#### (As defined by New York Laws)

When a person (1) engages in sexual intercourse with another person without such person's consent; or (2) engages in oral sexual conduct or anal sexual conduct without such person's consent; or (3) engages in sexual conduct with an animal or a dead human body. (Penal Law § 130.20)

#### Rape in the third degree:

When a person (1) engages in sexual intercourse with another person who is incapable of consent by reason of some factor other than being less than 17 years old; (2) Being 21 years old or more, engages in sexual intercourse with another person less than 17 years old; or (3) engages in sexual intercourse with another person without such person's consent where such lack of consent is by reason of some factor other than incapacity to consent. (Penal Law § 130.25)

#### Rape in the second degree:

When a person (1) being 18 years old or more, engages in sexual intercourse with another person less than 15 years old; or (2) engages in sexual intercourse with another person who is incapable of consent by reason of being mentally disabled or mentally incapacitated. It is an affirmative defense to the crime of rape in the second degree the defendant was less than four years older than the victim at the time of the act. (Penal Law § 130.30)

#### Rape in the first degree:

When a person engages in sexual intercourse with another person (1) by forcible compulsion; or (2) Who is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless; or (3) who is less than 11 years old; or (4) who is less than 13 years old and the actor is 18 years old or more. (Penal Law § 130.35)

#### Criminal sexual act in the third degree:

When a person engages in oral or anal sexual conduct (1) with a person who is incapable of consent by reason of some factor other than being less than 17 years old; (2) being 21 years old or more, with a person less than 17 years old; (3) with another person without such persons consent where such lack of consent is by reason of some factor other than incapacity to consent. (Penal Law § 130.40)

#### Criminal sexual act in the second degree:

When a person engages in oral or anal sexual conduct with another person (1) and is 18 years or more and the other person is less than 15 years old; or (2) who is incapable of consent by reason of being mentally disabled or mentally incapacitated. It is an affirmative defense that the defendant was less than four years older than the victim at the time of the act. (Penal Law § 130.45)

#### Criminal sexual act in the first degree:

When a person engages in oral or anal sexual conduct with another person (1) by forcible compulsion; (2) who is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless; (3) who is less than 11 years old; or (4) who is less than 13 years old and the actor is 18 years old or more. (Penal Law § 130.50)

### Forcible touching:

When a person intentionally, and for no legitimate purpose, forcibly touches the sexual or other intimate parts of another person for the purpose of degrading or abusing such person; or for the purpose of gratifying the actor's sexual desire. It includes squeezing, grabbing, or pinching. (Penal Law § 130.52)

#### Persistent sexual abuse:

When a person commits a crime of forcible touching, or second or third degree sexual abuse within the previous ten year period, has been convicted two or more times, in separate criminal transactions for which a sentence was imposed on separate occasions of one of one of the above mentioned crimes or any offense defined in this article, of which the commission or attempted commissions thereof is a felony. (Penal Law § 130.53)

#### Sexual abuse in the third degree:

When a person subjects another person to sexual contact without the latter's consent. For any prosecution under this section, it is an affirmative defense that (1) such other person's lack of consent was due solely to incapacity to consent by reason of being less than 17 years old; and (2) such other person was more than 14 years old and (3) the defendant was less than five years older than such other person. (Penal Law § 130.55)

#### Sexual abuse in the second degree:

When a person subjects another person to sexual contact and when such other person is (1) incapable of

consent by reason of some factor other than being less than 17 years old; or (2) less than 14 years old. (Penal Law § 130.60)

#### Sexual abuse in the first degree:

When a person subjects another person to sexual contact (1) by forcible compulsion; (2) when the other person is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless; or (3) when the other person is less than 11 years old; or (4) when the other person is less than 13 years old. (Penal Law § 130.65)

### Aggravated sexual abuse:

For the purposes of this section, conduct performed for a valid medical purpose does not violate the provisions of this section. (Penal Law § 130.10 (2))

### Aggravated sexual abuse in the fourth degree:

When a person inserts a (1) foreign object in the vagina, urethra, penis or rectum of another person and the other person is incapable of consent by reason of some factor other than being less than 17 years old; or (2) finger in the vagina, urethra, penis, rectum or anus of another person causing physical injury to such person and such person is incapable of consent by reason of some factor other than being less than 17 years old. (Penal Law § 130.65-A)

#### Aggravated sexual abuse in the third degree:

When a person inserts a foreign object in the vagina, urethra, penis, rectum or anus of another person (1)(a) by forcible compulsion; (b) when the other person is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless; or (c) when the other person is less than 11 years old; or (2) causing physical injury to such person and such person is incapable of consent by reason of being mentally disabled or mentally incapacitated. (Penal Law § 130.66)

#### Aggravated sexual abuse in the second degree:

When a person inserts a finger in the vagina, urethra, penis, rectum or anus of another person causing physical injury to such person by (1) forcible compulsion; or (2) when the other person is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless; or (3) when the other person is less than 11 years old. (Penal Law § 130.67)

#### Aggravated sexual abuse in the first degree:

When a person subjects another person to sexual contact: (1) By forcible compulsion; or (2) when the other person is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless; or (3) when the other person is less than eleven years old; or (4) when the other person is less than thirteen years old and the actor is twenty-one years old or older. (Penal Law § 130.70)

#### Course of sexual conduct against a child in the second degree:

When over a period of time, not less than three months, a person: (1) Engages in two or more acts of sexual conduct with a child less than 11 years old; or (2) being 18 years old or more engages in two or more acts of sexual conduct with a child less than 13 years old. A person may not be subsequently prosecuted for any other sexual offense involving the same victim unless the other charges offense occurred outside of the time period charged under this section. (Penal Law § 130.80)

#### Course of sexual conduct against a child in the first degree:

When a person over a period of time, not less than three months in duration, a person: (1) Engages in two or more acts of sexual conduct, or aggravated sexual contact with a child less than 11 years old; or (2) being 18 years old or more engages in two or more acts of sexual conduct which includes at least one act of sexual intercourse, oral sexual conduct, anal sexual conduct, or aggravated sexual contact with a child less than 13 years old. (Penal Law § 130.75)

### Facilitating a sex offense with a controlled substance:

A person is guilty of facilitating a sex offense with a controlled substance when he or she: (1) knowingly and unlawfully possesses a controlled substance or any preparation, compound, mixture or substance that requires a prescription to obtain and administers such substance or preparation, compound, mixture or substance that requires a prescription to obtain to another person without such person's consent and with intent to commit against such person conduct constituting a felony defined in this article; and (2) commits or attempts to commit such conduct constituting a felony defined in this article. (Penal Law § 130.90)

#### Incest:

#### Incest in the third degree:

A person is guilty of incest in the third degree when he or she marries or engages in sexual intercourse, oral sexual conduct or anal sexual conduct with a person whom he or she knows to be related to him or her, whether through marriage or not, as an ancestor, descendant, brother or sister of either the whole or the half blood, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece. (Penal Law § 255.25)

#### Incest in the second degree:

A person is guilty of incest in the second degree when he or she commits the crime of rape in the second degree, or criminal sexual act in the second degree, against a person whom he or she knows to be related to him or her, whether through marriage or not, as an ancestor, descendant, brother or sister of either the whole or the half blood, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece. (Penal Law § 255.26)

#### Incest in the first degree:

A person is guilty of incest in the first degree when he or she commits the crime of rape in the first degree, or criminal sexual act in the first degree, against a person whom he or she knows to be related to him or her, whether through marriage or not, as an ancestor, descendant, brother or sister of either the whole or half blood, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece. (Penal Law § 255.27)

## Stalking:

#### Stalking in the fourth degree:

When a person intentionally, and for not legitimate purpose, engages in a course of conduct directed at a specific person, and knows or reasonably should know that such conduct (1) is likely to cause reasonable fear of material harm to the physical health, safety or property of such person, a member of such person's immediate family or a third party with whom such person is acquainted; or (2) causes material harm to the mental or emotional health of such person, where such conduct consists of following, telephoning or initiating

communication or contact with such person, a member of such person's immediate family or a third party with whom such person is acquainted, and the actor was previously clearly informed to cease that conduct; or (3) is likely to cause such person to reasonably fear that his or her employment, business or career is threatened, where such conduct consists of appearing, telephoning or initiating communication or contact at such person's place of employment or business, and the actor was previously clearly informed to cease that conduct. (Penal Law § 120.45)

#### Stalking in the third degree:

When a person (1) Commits the crime of stalking in the fourth degree against any person in three or more separate transactions, for which the actor has not been previously convicted; or (2) commits the crime of stalking in the fourth degree against any person, and has previously been convicted, within the preceding ten years of a specified predicate crime and the victim of such specified predicate crime is the victim, or an immediate family member of the victim, of the present offense; or (3) with an intent to harass, annoy or alarm a specific person, intentionally engages in a course of conduct directed at such person which is likely to cause such person to reasonably fear physical injury or serious physical injury, the commission of a sex offense against, or the kidnapping, unlawful imprisonment or death of such person or a member of such person's immediate family; or (4) commits the crime or stalking in the fourth degree and has previously been convicted within the preceding ten years of stalking in the fourth degree. (Penal Law § 120.50)

#### Stalking in the second degree:

When a person: (1) Commits the crime of stalking in the third degree and in the course of and furtherance of the commission of such offense: (a) displays, or possesses and threatens the use of, a firearm, pistol, revolver, rifle, sword, billy, blackjack, bludgeon, plastic knuckles, metal knuckles, chuka stick, sand bag, sandclub, sligshot, slungshot, shirken, "Kung Fu Star," dagger, dangerous knife, dirk, razor, stiletto, imitation pistol, dangerous instrument, deadly instrument or deadly weapons; or (b) displays what appears to be a pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun, machine gun or other firearm; or (2) commits the crime of stalking in the third against any person, and has previously been convicted, within the preceding five years, of a specified predicate crime, and the victim of such specified predicate crime is the victim, or an immediate family member of the victim, of the present offense; or (3) commits the crime of stalking in the fourth degree and has previously been convicted of stalking in the third degree; or (4) being 21 years of age or older, repeatedly follows a person under the age of fourteen or engages in a course of conduct or repeatedly commits acts over a period of time intentionally placing or attempting to place such person who is under the age of fourteen in reasonable fear of physical injury, serious physical injury or death; or (5) commits the crime of stalking in the third degree, against ten or more persons, in ten or more separate transactions, for which the actor has not been previously convicted. (Penal Law § 120.55)

#### Stalking in the first degree:

When a person commits the crime of stalking in the third degree or stalking in the second degree and, in the course and furtherance thereof, he or she intentionally or recklessly causes physical injury to the victim of such crime. (Penal Law § 120.60)

#### Hate crimes:

This category includes all of the above listed Clery Offenses, but the motivation for the offense was based on

the victim's race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, national origin, gender identity, or disability. In addition to the above offenses, the following offenses are also reportable under hate crimes:

#### Larceny

The unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another. Attempted larcenies are included. Embezzlement, confidence games, forgery, worthless checks, etc., are excluded.

### Simple assault

The 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.

# You Can Help

Our open campus is easily accessible to all who wish to enter by vehicle or foot. Because of this open accessibility, all students, faculty and staff are encouraged to exercise a sense of personal responsibility for their own safety and well-being and the safety and well-being of others.

Obey all speed limits, traffic signs, parking regulations and the directives of Public Safety Officers in performance of their duties. If you observe a suspicious person or activity, contact Public Safety immediately for quick response and appropriate action. Our contact number is 516.572.7100. In an emergency, you can reach us on your cell phone at 516.572.7111; from a campus phone, dial 711.

Each member of the College community should consider himself or herself as an active "College Watch" participant. Working together, we can create and maintain a safe environment. Incidents observed by Public Safety patrols are reported by radio and responded to immediately. Students and staff members observing any type of incident should immediately notify a patrol unit if in sight, or call Public Safety for assistance. To facilitate the reporting of emergencies or incidents on campus, the College has installed over 100 special emergency telephones inside and outside of the buildings and in the parking fields. They provide a direct line to Public Safety and will be answered by an officer; the outdoor phones can be found by the "Blue Light" on the phone. If using a regular campus telephone, dial extension 711 in case of emergency. The Public Safety number is prominently displayed on all marked patrol vehicles, in the College directory and on posters throughout the campus to serve as a constant reminder and reinforcement. Whenever you see it displayed make a mental note so you'll remember it in an emergency, or you can program the number into your cell phone for easy access. Many improvements in lighting on the campus have been made, and escorts are available from the Public Safety Office if the necessity arises. Students and staff members are advised to use the "buddy system" when going to or leaving classes.

It is important for you to remember that we are all a part of the same community. Never turn a blind eye to the problems happening to others around you. Your cooperative efforts to make Nassau Community College a safe environment can have a dynamic impact. We're all in this together.

Bystanders play a critical role in the prevention of sexual and relationship violence. They are often the largest group of people involved - outnumbering both the perpetrators and the victims. Bystanders can have a range of involvement in assaults. A person or persons may be aware that a specific assault is happening or will happen, they may see an assault or potential assault in progress, or they may have knowledge that an assault has already occurred. Regardless of how close to the incident they are, bystanders have the power stop assaults and to get help for people who have been victimized. If you see something that you think is a problem, say something.

Being an active bystander does not require that we risk our own safety or the well-being of others. Our goal is to aid in the prevention of violence without causing further threat, harm, or damage. Remember, there is a range of actions that are appropriate, depending on the situation. If you or someone else is in immediate danger, calling for Public Safety or the police is the best action a bystander can take. Watch out for your friends and fellow community members—if you see someone who looks like they are in trouble, ask if they are okay. If you see a friend doing something wrong, say something.

# **Prevent Yourself from Becoming a Victim**

Safety and personal well-being are a shared responsibility. There are some important things you can do to protect yourself and those around you.

- **BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS.** Be sure to know who and what is around you. The best way you can protect yourself is to be and appear to be aware of everything around you. People who appear to be self-assured and have an assertive "body language" are less likely to be victimized.
- **PROTECT YOUR BELONGINGS.** Put your name on your books and other personal property. Thieves are less likely to take well-marked items, and if they are lost or stolen, the likelihood of recovery is greatly increased if you have your name on your property.
- LOCK YOUR VEHICLE. Make sure nothing of value is left in sight from outside the vehicle.
- **DON'T LEAVE ITEMS UNATTENDED.** A minute is all it takes for someone to walk away with your books, or purse or any other item. It is not advisable to leave your property unattended anywhere, whether in a classroom, a food services area, or on a bench. You are not at home. Don't put yourself in a position to become a victim.
- **TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS.** When you feel uneasy around certain people or situations there is usually a good reason for it. Trust your 6th sense, and report your apprehensions immediately to Public Safety.
- **REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY.** Problems are easier to solve if they are caught right away. Together, we can make Nassau Community College a safer place to be.

Remember if you see something, say something.

# How Your Reports are Responded to by Public Safety

All reports and complaints are treated seriously. If Public Safety is notified of a safety hazard, an officer will respond to the location, assess the situation, and take immediate action to prevent injury and /or property damage.

If a report of a medical emergency is received, Public Safety will respond directly, and after assessing the situation, ensure the appropriate medical personnel respond to the situation. Members of the Public Safety Department receive first aid training and can render assistance prior to the arrival of an ambulance.

In the case of vehicle accidents, Public Safety will respond, safeguard the accident site, gather the information necessary for the appropriate report, and will ensure that whatever other assistance is needed whether that be from the police, fire department, or ambulance also responds to the scene.

In the case of reports of any criminal activity, the Public Safety Department will assist victims and witnesses in making reports with the Nassau County Police. Public Safety in many cases will perform the initial investigation and then assist the police in whatever way they deem is appropriate. In some cases, incidents involving alleged violations of the Student Code of Conduct are referred to the Dean of Students for possible discipline. In all cases involving violence, bodily harm, or other incidents of a serious nature, Public Safety will report the incident to the Nassau County Police. Public Safety will also assist and facilitate the report of such events to the police by the people directly involved if the victims and or witnesses wish to contact the police directly.

- **Dean of Student's Office:** 516.572.7376
- Nassau Community College Public Safety Department: 516.572.7100
- Nassau Community College Public Safety Emergency contact number: 711 from a campus telephone. From a cell phone 516.572.7111
- Police/Medical/Fire related Emergency: 911
- Nassau County Police Department Third Precinct: 516.573.6300

In the event that a serious crime occurs on campus that may impact the safety of the College community, Public Safety will issue a Public Safety alert via e-mail and signs will be posted at the entrances to all buildings. This is to ensure that members of the College community are aware that a situation occurred and to enable them to take appropriate actions to protect themselves. Where a reported threat is of an immediate nature, Public Safety will send alerts out via NCC Alert through the Campus Rave system.

The College Public Safety Department is here to assist you. It is a responsibility that is taken very seriously by all members of the Department.

# **Emergency Response and Evacuation Procedures**

In the event that there is a situation on campus that presents a significant emergency or a situation that presents an immediate threat to the health or safety of persons on campus, a message will be sent via NCC Rave Alert. NCC Rave Alert's enables fast and efficient dissemination of critical information to members of the NCC community during major emergencies. It allows the College to simultaneously send alerts through text messaging, voice mail, and e-mail to numerous devices of those members of the community who have registered for these services. Aside from "Rave" alerts, the Public Safety Department can and will send mass alerts via college emails for a variety of events related to the Campus.

All members of the College community are strongly urged to register to receive alerts (Rave Alerts) when they log into the NCC Portal. Click on the NCC Alert icon located at the Launch Pad section of the Portal and fill in all required information. If you have any questions about this, contact the Information Center Desk at the Lower Level of the Tower 516.572.7501, or the Help Desk at 516.572.0629 or requests for technical support can be made via the MyIT support page at http://myit.ncc.edu.

In the event that the report of a significant emergency or dangerous situation is received, Public Safety will respond to assess and evaluate the situation. If it is determined that there is a situation which poses a risk to the campus population, the appropriate outside agencies will be notified and the Director of Public Safety, or his designee, will, without delay, initiate the notification system through NCC Rave Alert. The notification will include the nature and location of the emergency, and provide appropriate directives to safeguard the health and safety of members of the campus community. The College is in the process of enhancing its existing public address (PA) system (located in the blue light phone system) to allow College officials to provide verbal emergency notifications and instructions over a campus-wide loudspeaker system. During an emergency, you may receive important instructions via this system. When you hear these messages, please listen carefully and follow the instructions. The Office of College Marketing Communications (516.572.9634) will disseminate information regarding the emergency to the larger community if necessary.

There are signs posted in campus buildings that describe the appropriate procedures to be followed in the event of an emergency.

The above systems are tested periodically. If the system is being tested, the message you receive will indicate that fact and that no action on your part is necessary.

Drills are also held to test the College's ability to respond appropriately to major emergencies. Several drills have been conducted for staff members throughout the year. Response is evaluated on an on-going basis.

Remember, you can always report an emergency to these numbers:

- Nassau Community College Public Safety Emergency contact: 711 from a campus telephone. From a cellphone 516.572.7111.
- **Police Emergency:** 911

# **Weapons on Campus**

The possession or use of firearms of any nature, dangerous weapons, cutting instruments, fireworks or explosives on campus is strictly prohibited.

## **Student Policy for a Drug Free Campus**

Nassau Community College is committed to a proactive preventive approach in assuring the campus is free of alcohol and substance abuse. The College operates in compliance with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 and the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments. To maintain an atmosphere conducive to fulfilling this mission, the policy for a Drug-Free Campus states:

"The College expressly prohibits the unlawful use, possession, manufacture, distribution or dispensation of controlled substances, which includes alcohol, in all Nassau Community College facilities or while attending or conducting College business off campus."

No alcohol is permitted on campus without the expressed permission of the President or his/her designee. Consumption of alcohol is not permitted on campus by anyone under the age of 21.

Consumption or use of Marijuana is strictly prohibited anywhere on Campus grounds.

Compliance with the provisions of the College's drug and alcohol policies is a condition of attendance at the College. Violations of any rule of the Student Code of Conduct shall result in appropriate disciplinary action.

The full text of the <u>Student Code of Conduct</u> is available in the <u>College Catalog</u>.

### What to Do If You Are the Victim of a Sexual Assault

If you are the victim of a sexual assault or rape, go to a safe place and call for help. Call Public Safety, the police, a family member or a friend. It is imperative that you seek medical treatment immediately, not just for injuries incurred during the assault, but also to facilitate treatment against sexually transmitted diseases and pregnancy.

- Do not change your clothing, wash or even comb your hair. Vital evidence can be lost. Leave the scene of the incident exactly as it is. Don't clean the area or throw anything away.
- As soon as possible, you should try to write down every detail of the incident. Again, this will facilitate the investigation of the incident.

Below are the offices and telephone numbers of on-campus resources, which can provide information and support in the event of any such assault.

Public Safety Emergency Number: 516.572.7111

Public Safety non-emergency phone number: 516.572.7100

NUMC 24-Hour Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner Center: 516.572-0655

Health Office: 516.572.7123

Student Personnel Services Psychological Counseling: 516.572.7506

In instances when a Nassau Community College student reports to a counselor or pastoral representative that they have been the victim of a crime, the counselor/representative will inform the student that he/she has the right to report said incident to Public Safety and/or to the local authorities, including but not limited to the Police.

The student is advised that this disclosure is voluntary and if desired, confidential. If requested, the student will receive assistance with notifying authorities by college personnel. Whether or not the student chooses to report said incident, psychological counseling services will be offered and/or appropriate referrals to community agencies will be made as needed.

All counselors participate in multiple professional development activities during the course of each academic year. The counseling department ensures that the College is following all federal and state mandates, plus an annual review of the day-to-day operations are done.

# Sexual Violence Victim/Survivor Bill of Rights

The State University of New York and Nassau Community College are committed to providing options, support and assistance to victims/survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking to ensure that they can continue to participate in college-wide and campus programs, activities, and employment. All victims/survivors of these crimes and violations, regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, age, disability, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, familial status, pregnancy, predisposing genetic characteristics, military status, domestic violence victim status, or criminal conviction, have the following rights, regardless of whether the crime or violation occurs on campus, off campus, or while studying abroad:

### All Students Have the Right to:

- Make a report to local law enforcement and/or state police;
- Have disclosures of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and sexual assault treated seriously;
- Decide about whether or not to disclose a crime or violation and participate in the judicial or conduct process and/or criminal justice process free from pressure from the institution;
- Participate in a process that is fair, impartial, and provides adequate notice and a meaningful opportunity to be heard;
- Be treated with dignity and to receive from the institution courteous, fair, and respectful health care and counseling services, where available;
- Be free from any suggestion that the reporting individual is at fault when these crimes and violations are committed, or should have acted in a different manner to avoid such crimes or violations;
- Describe the incident to as few institutional representatives as practicable and not to be required to unnecessarily repeat a description of the incident.
- Be free from retaliation by the institution, the accused and/or the respondent, and/or their friends, family and acquaintances within the jurisdiction of the institution;
- Access to at least one level of appeal of a determination;
- Be accompanied by an advisor of choice who may assist and advise a reporting individual, accused, or respondent throughout the judicial or conduct process including during all meetings and hearings related to such process;
- Exercise civil rights and practice of religion without interference by the investigative, criminal justice, or judicial or conduct process of the College.

# Victims/survivors have many options that can be pursued simultaneously, including one or more of the following:

- Receive resources, such as counseling and medical attention;
- Confidentially or anonymously disclose a crime or violation (for detailed information on confidentiality and privacy, please review "Options for Confidentially Disclosing Sexual Violence."
- Make a report to: An employee with the authority to address complaints, including the College's Affirmative Action Officer (who is the College's designated Title IX Coordinator), Dean of Students Office employees; and the College's Designated Investigative Officers
- The College's Department of Public Safety.
- Local law enforcement.
- Family Court or Civil Court.

# **Community Resources**

Public Safety Emergency Number: 516.572.7111, dial 711 from a college phone

Public Safety non-emergency phone number: 516.572.7100

Nassau County Police Third Precinct: 516.573.6300

Health Office: 516.572.7123

Title IX Coordinator, Affirmative Action, ADA/504 Office, House 352: 516.572.7121

Student Personnel Services Psychological Counseling: 516.572.7506 (Hours of operation on campus Monday

-Friday 9:00AM-4:45 PM)

- If this is an emergency call 911.
- Response-A 24-hour crisis information hotline: **516.679.1111**
- Nassau Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Rape: 516.542.0404
- The Safe Center LI: 516.542.0404 <a href="http://thesafecenterli.org/about-the-safe-center-li/history/">http://thesafecenterli.org/about-the-safe-center-li/history/</a>
- Sexual Assault, rape, child abuse 24/7 hotline: 516.222.2293
- Project Salva 24/7 bi-lingual domestic violence hotline: 516.889.2849
- Sex Offense and Domestic Violence Bureau of the Nassau County District Attorney's Office: **516.571**-1598
- YES, Community Counseling Center: 516.799.3203 https://www.yesccc.org/
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and Veterans Crisis Line: 1.800.273.8255 or Dial 988 from any phone
- LGBT National Help Center: 1.888.843.4564
- Long Island Council on Alcoholism & Drug Dependence: 1.631.979.1700
- The Retreat: 631.329.2200; <a href="http://theretreatinc.org">http://theretreatinc.org</a>
- In New York City, call 1.800.621-HOPE (4673) or dial 311
- NYS Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence (in several languages) https://opdv.ny.gov/
- The Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network hotline: 800.656.HOPE (4673), www.rainn.org/get-help

The New York State Sex Offender Registry may be accessed from any computer with internet at this link <a href="https://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/nsor/">https://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/nsor/</a>

# **Where to Report Crimes**

Any Criminal activity should be reported to any of the following offices:

• **Public Safety:** 516.572.7100

• Dean of Students Office: 516.572.7376

• Public Safety Emergency Number: 711 (from a campus phone); 516.572.7111 (from non-campus

phone)

Nassau County Police Department Emergency: 911
Nassau County Police Third Precinct: 516.573.6300

For the purpose of gathering crime statistics for this publication, incidents reported to the Dean of Students and the Office of Affirmative Action are passed onto Public Safety for inclusion. Incidents reported to counselors are forwarded to Public Safety for statistical purposes only, and are not investigated.

# **Nassau Community College Sexual Harassment Policy**

Submitted to the Academic Senate at the January 12, 2016 meeting; Approved by the College Board of Trustees, January 12, 2016: Amendment History: January 14, 2020, October 9, 2018.

#### POLICY:

Consistent with the College's mission to establish and maintain a cooperative work and academic environment with mutual respect for all college students, faculty, and staff, it ensures that the dignity and worth of all members of the institutional community are respected. In keeping with this principle, Nassau Community College affirms its commitment to maintaining an environment free from all forms of exploitation, intimidation, or harassment, including sexual harassment. Sexual Harassment is demeaning, offensive, illegal, and prohibited by Nassau Community College Policy. Sexual Harassment subverts the mission of the College and undermines the educational process. It creates an atmosphere that is not conducive to learning and productivity. Sexual Harassment will not be tolerated. This includes workplace as well as "peer to peer" (student to student) harassment. Nassau Community College is committed to all provisions of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Article 15 of the New York State Executive Law, and all other applicable human rights and equal opportunity laws. These laws prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex in employment and within educational programs. Any discrimination and/or sexual harassment hereunder are violations of this Policy. It is the policy of Nassau Community College that all forms of sexual harassment should be corrected in accordance with the policy and procedures set forth herein in the interest of maintaining a barrier-free working and learning environment. Sexual harassment constitutes employee misconduct. Any employee or individual covered by this policy who engages in sexual harassment or retaliation will be subject to remedial and/or disciplinary action. NCC is committed to the principle of academic freedom and this policy shall not be interpreted as interfering with that freedom, understanding that the principle of academic freedom is accompanied by a corresponding principle of responsibility.

More information and downloadable Policy and Procedures can be obtain any time at: https://www.ncc.edu/aboutncc/ourpeople/administration/affirmative\_action/StudentsBillofRights.shtml

# **Educational Programs**

Included among the goals of Nassau Community College, The Public Safety Department are establishing and reinforcing an understanding of the variety of behaviors that are encompassed by the phrases "domestic violence," "dating violence," "stalking," and "sexual assault;" creating a coordinated community response to violence against women; establishing a mandatory prevention and education program for all incoming students; and training all members of the NCC campus disciplinary/conduct board to respond effectively to allegations of domestic violence. The film "Not Anymore" for community colleges has been introduced for Faculty, Staff, and students on these issues.

Throughout the year, the Nassau Community College Public Safety Department offers to the College Community information and training tools such as Active Shooter response training, Crime Prevention and Shelter in Place training. The Public Safety Department utilizes class breaks to maintain high visibility throughout the campus as well as takes this time to inform and answer any questions the community may have about what's offered by Public Safety. Public Safety participates in all Student and Parent orientations on campus. Public Safety as well offers an international training program called R.A.D. Training (Rape Aggression Defense) the department began offering this training course in the Fall of 2015. Public Safety recently increased its contingent of instructors and this class has been offered periodically throughout the year. Interested parties should contact Sgt. Ragano at 516.572.2023 or email the instructors at publicsafetyrad@ncc.edu.

During the course of the academic year, many programs are offered to teach the College community how to recognize crime, prevent crime victimization, and how to generally enhance personal safety and well-being. There are several very active campus committees charged with these educational programs such as the Campus Safety Advisory Committee, and the Sexual Harassment Education Committee. Both of these groups as well as the Women's Center are active in providing the College population with valuable information pertaining to safety issues.

To obtain any more information that may be needed for numerous reasons by any Faculty, Staff, Student or Visitor please feel free to check out www.NCC.edu.

# We're Here to Help You

#### CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE

Located on the east side of Parking Lot West 4C

- From an on-campus college phone for EMERGENCY- DIAL 711
- From a cell phone on campus for EMERGENCY DIAL 516.572.7111
- From an on-campus college phone for NON-EMERGENCY HELP DIAL 2-7100
- From a cell phone on campus for NON-EMERGENCY HELP DIAL 516.572.7100

#### MISSING STUDENT PROCEDURE

If a family member is concerned about a student's well-being, we will attempt to deliver a message to that effect. If a family member has filed a missing person complaint with a local police agency, we will cooperate with them to our fullest extent possible.

#### **AUTO ASSISTANCE**

Public Safety maintains phone numbers of local garages and towing services for any Community needs.

#### HANDICAPPED RESERVED PARKING WITH PERMIT

Temporary 30-day permits for campus use only are available from the Public Safety Office.

#### Nassau County Handicap Permits may be obtained from:

Nassau County Office of the Physically Challenged 60 Charles Lindbergh Boulevard Uniondale, NY 11553

Phone: 516.227.7399

#### ID Cards:

Identification cards are produced in Student Service Center located in the Lower Level of the Tower for all Student, Faculty and Staff. **VALID IDENTIFICATION MUST BE PRESENTED.** 

The Public Safety Department asks that all Students, Staff and Faculty alike keep an up-to-date Campus ID readily displayed on them at all times. This helps to Identify who belongs on campus on any given day and insures a safer campus for everyone.

#### LOST AND FOUND

Located inside the **Public Safety Office**, turn in all articles to increase the possibility of the return to owners.

# **Motor Vehicle Regulations**

#### **GENERAL**

The use of roads and parking fields on the Nassau Community College Campus is governed by New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law, Nassau County Ordinances 372 and 482, and the rules and regulations of Nassau Community College.

College grounds are patrolled by both Nassau County Police and Campus Public Safety Officers. All persons using campus streets are required to obey speed limits, traffic signs, traffic control devices, parking regulations and the directions of Public Safety Officers in performance of their duties.

Violators of campus motor vehicle regulations are subject to summonses returnable to the Nassau County Traffic and Parking Violations Agency located at 801 Axinn Avenue Garden City NY 11530 (<a href="https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/1928/Traffic-Parking-Violations-Agency">https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/1928/Traffic-Parking-Violations-Agency</a>) Illegally parked vehicles are subject to removal and impoundment at the owner's expense.

If you have any questions concerning these regulations, contact Public Safety at extension 2-7100 or 516.572.7100 from a non-campus phone.

#### **PARKING**

All parking on campus is by permit only. Parking is permitted only in designated parking stalls. There is no parking or standing on any campus street. College drivers are also advised not to park on any area posted as military streets or property under penalty of a county summons. The standard fine for unauthorized parking is \$125.00. There is as well as a \$45.00 Nassau County administrative fee with each fine.

#### **RESERVED PARKING: HANDICAPPED**

Areas designated for Handicapped are for Handicapped only, and a County or State Handicapped permit must be properly displayed and visible in the vehicle. Applications for Handicapped parking permits may be obtained from the Office of the Physically Challenged, 60 Charles Lindbergh Boulevard, Uniondale, NY. The fine for unauthorized parking in an area designated for Handicapped parking is \$270.00 plus a County surcharge of \$40.00 for each fine.

#### **RESERVED PARKING: FACULTY AND STAFF**

Specially marked areas reserved for members of the College Faculty and Staff are designated. This reserved status is in effect in all designated areas designated as Faculty and Staff by permit 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The Faculty and Staff parking permits are available at the Public Safety Office. All Faculty and Staff members are responsible for the proper displaying of these permits. They are to be placed on the windshield of the vehicle, behind the rearview mirror, low enough so as not to be obscured by heavy tints. ONLY ONE PERMIT WILL BE ISSUED. Report the loss of any permit to Public Safety immediately.

#### **CAMPUS SPEED LIMIT**

The speed limit for the campus in its entirety is 25 miles per hour. For your own safety and the safety of others, please adhere to this limit.

#### OFFICIAL PARKING

Areas designated as Official are for use of Federal, State and County vehicles only.

#### TEMPORARY PARKING PERMITS

All parking on campus is by permit only. Prior to a vehicle being parked in a restricted area, a temporary parking permit must be secured from the Public Safety Office when using a vehicle other than that equipped with a regular parking permit, or being used by a visitor.

#### STUDENT PARKING: VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM

All vehicles parked on the grounds of Nassau Community College must have a properly displayed vehicle identification decal. This decal is to be placed on the rear most driver's side window of the vehicle. This decal may be used to park in lots on campus that do not require Faculty/Staff permits, handicap permits, special permits, etc. Vehicles parked on campus without a valid vehicle identification decal are subject to fine and/or tow away. They may be obtained on line via MY NCC and /or the Portal APP.

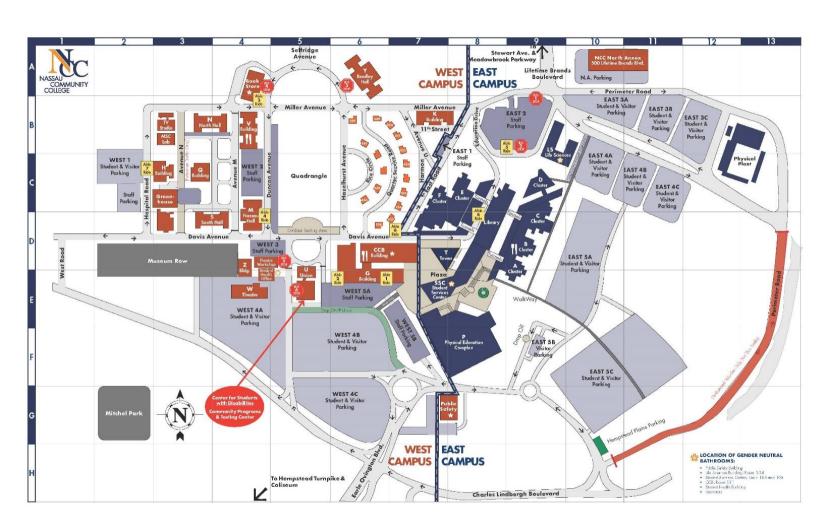
# Save the Cost of a County Summons by Avoiding Parking in Areas Designated as:

- Reserved
- Special Permit
- Handicapped
- Official

### We Are Accessible

Located at One Education Drive in Garden City, NY we are minutes from the Meadowbrook Parkway. Your future will take off from our beautiful 225-acre campus in the heart of Long Island and the largest single-campus community college in the state and a proud part of the State University of New York system. You'll find more than **70 fields of study** here, with the facilities, technology, small class sizes, and great teaching that will fuel your educational goals.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the **Public Safety Office** at **516.572.7100**.



# **Statistics**

The crimes included in this publication are based upon reports filed with Public Safety, the Dean of Students Office and the Affirmative Action Office. Incidents reported to the Nassau County Police Department are also accounted for in the statistics provided and meet Clery Requirements.

# \*Annual Crime Statistics Charts for Nassau Community College Campus Reported for 2021, 2022 and 2023\*

<b>Criminal Offenses</b>	Year	On Campus	Non-Campus	Public Property
Murder/Non-	2021	0	0	0
Negligent	2022	0	0	0
Manslaughter	2023	0	0	0
Manslaughter by	2021	0	0	0
Negligence	2022	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0
Sex Offenses, Rape	2021	0	0	0
	2022	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0
Sex Offenses,	2021	0	0	0
Fondling	2022	1	0	0
	2023	0	0	0
Sex Offenses,	2021	0	0	0
Incest	2022	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0
Sex Offenses,	2021	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	2022	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0
Robbery	2021	0	0	0
	2022	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	1
Aggravated Assault	2021	0	0	0
	2022	0	0	0
	2023	2	0	1
Burglary	2021	0	0	0
	2022	0	0	0
	2023	2	0	0
Motor Vehicle	2021	0	0	0
Theft	2022	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0
Arson	2021	0	0	0
	2022	1	0	0
	2023	0	0	0

Referrals- Campus	Year	On Campus	Non-Campus	Public Property
<b>Disciplinary Actions</b>				
Liquor Law	2021	2	0	0
Violations	2022	1	0	0
	2023	0	0	0
Drug Law Violations	2021	20	0	0
	2022	42	0	0
	2023	23	0	0
Illegal Weapons	2021	0	0	0
Possessions	2022	0	0	0
	2023	1	0	0

VAWA Offenses	Year	On Campus	Non-Campus	Public Property
Domestic	2021	1	0	0
Violence	2022	0	0	0
	2023	1	0	1
Dating Violence	2021	0	0	0
	2022	0	0	0
	2023	1	0	0
Stalking	2021	3	0	0
	2022	0	0	0
	2023	1	0	0

Arrest	Year	On Campus	Non- Campus	Public Property
Liquor Law	2021	0	0	0
Violations	2022	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0
Drug Law	2021	0	0	0
Violations	2022	0	0	0
	2023	0	0	0
Illegal	2021	0	0	0
Weapons	2022	0	0	0
Possessions	2023	0	0	0

Hate Crim	ies			
Calendar	Category	On	Non-Campus	Public Property
Year		Campus		
2021	There were no incidents of hate crimes for the calendar year of 2021.			
2022	Religion	2	0	0
2023	Religion	1	0	0
2023	Gender Identity	1	0	0

**Unfounded crimes:** (Investigated by law enforcement and declared unfounded)

**2021:** 0 **2022:** 0 **2023:** 0