

## Definitions for Offenses Reported

**Murder:** The unlawful killing of a human being with malice a forethought.

**Sex Offense:** Any sexual act directed against another person, forcible or against the person's will or where the victim is incapable of giving consent, or any unlawful, non-forcible sexual intercourse (incest, statutory rape).

**Robbery:** The felonious and forcible taking of the property of another, against his or her will, through violence or fear.

**Aggravated Assault:** An attempt or offer, with unlawful force or violence, to do serious physical injury to another.

**Burglary:** An unlawful entry of any structure to commit a felony or a larceny.

**Motor Vehicle Theft:** The theft of any motor vehicle.

**Manslaughter:** The unpremeditated taking of human life.

**Arson:** The act of maliciously setting fire to property.

## Important Telephone Numbers:

When you need fire, police, or medical help in an emergency, dial 911.

### Non-Emergency Telephone Numbers:

When calling from off-campus, dial 609/771- and the extension below:

Campus Police Services/2167

Vice President of Student Affairs/2201

Escorts/2167

Health Services/2483

Police Administrative Offices/2171

Psychological Counseling Services/2247

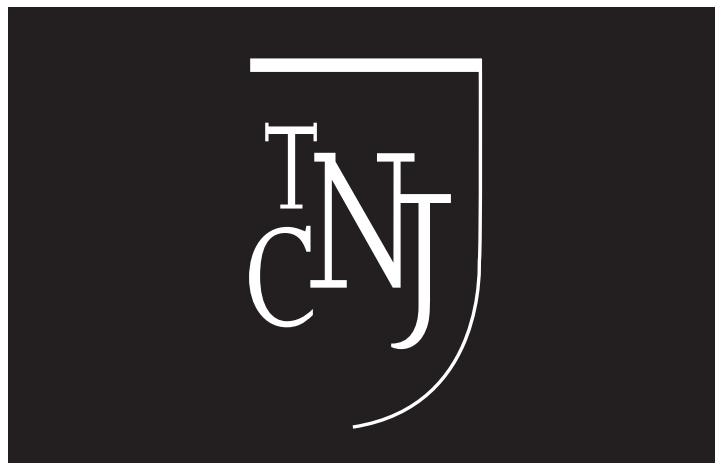
Office of Anti-Violence Initiatives/2272

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## A Message from the President

### Dear Members of the Campus Community,

Please take a few moments to review this important material about The College's efforts and experience in the areas of campus security and safety. You will note The College's safety record is exceptional. It is an example of what can be when the entire campus community is committed to working together for its own good.

The College of New Jersey Office of Campus Police Services has been proactive in promoting safety and preventing crime. The department has established a number of outreach programs designed to protect and educate members of the campus community. I ask that you, as a member of this campus community, continue to cooperate with our Campus Police and to assist them in preventing and responding to crime on campus.

I encourage you to be an active member of The College of New Jersey community. If you have any questions or would like more information regarding campus safety and security, please contact the Campus Police administrative offices at 609/771-2171.

Sincerely,

R. Barbara Gitenstein  
President  
The College of New Jersey

## Reporting Crimes and Emergencies

**The College of New Jersey** maintains its own police department, providing law enforcement and security services 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The community is encouraged to report all crimes whether actual, attempted, or suspected, as well as any other emergency situation, to the Campus Police. Outdoor emergency telephones are installed on campus, providing direct contact with the Campus Police at all times. **In case of a fire, police, or medical emergency, dial 911 from any telephone.** Walking escorts are provided by security and police officers throughout the evening and early morning hours. To request an escort, call extension 2167.

It is important to know that a formal police report or investigation is not needed in order for a crime to be included in the crime statistics provided in this report. Annually, several entities on campus are surveyed for their input on numbers only of crimes reported to them in confidence during the course of the year. These offices include, but are not limited to, the Offices of the Vice President of Student Affairs, Residential Education and Housing, Differing Abilities Services, Health Services, Psychological Counseling Services, Athletics, ADEP, Anti-Violence Initiatives and Campus Wellness.

## Access to Campus Facilities

**Residence halls are open only to residents** campus and their invited guests and are so posted, consistent with the New Jersey trespass statutes. During evening and early morning hours, those seeking admittance are required to present proof of residency or, if they are guests, to present identification and be signed in by a resident. Entrances to campus residence halls are equipped with card reader identification systems, which only provide access to campus residents. These systems are used for 24 hour access to the residence halls. Academic, administrative, student services and recreational facilities are open to members of the general public during regular business hours. Access policies in academic buildings during hours when classes are not in session are established by individual academic departments.

## Maintenance of Campus Facilities

**Security and safety issues** are given high priority in the design of new facilities. The Campus Police, in an ongoing program, conduct security surveys of existing facilities, with findings and recommendations forwarded to appropriate administrative areas for remedial action when necessary. Weekly surveys of campus lighting are conducted and deficiencies promptly addressed. Emergency telephones are tested weekly.

## Authority of Campus Police and Relationship with Other Law Enforcement Agencies

**The Office of Campus Police Services** consists of a vice president, a lieutenant, sergeants, a detective, patrol officers, dispatchers, and security officers. All police officers are fully trained, commissioned, and armed, and, in accordance with the state law under which they are appointed, have "... all powers of police and constables in criminal cases and offenses against the law throughout the State of New Jersey." The Ewing Township Police Department and its officers also have full police authority on the campus. (Source: N.J.S.18A:6-4.2 et seq.)

The working relationship between Campus Police and the Ewing Township Police Department is such that incidents occurring on campus are handled fully by the Campus Police. This includes the duties of response, investigation, and subsequent prosecution of any criminal activities. The College occupies several off-campus properties, located in Ewing Township, for use as residence facilities. The Ewing Township Police Department monitors and responds to emergencies and criminal activity at these locations, and shares all pertinent information with Campus Police officials when appropriate. Copies of The College's Uniform Crime Reports are provided monthly to the Ewing police. The department maintains a close relationship and consults with the Ewing police on major cases and other matters of mutual concern. The Mercer County Prosecutor's Office also serves as a valuable resource to the Office of Campus Police Services.

# Relationship with Campus Judicial Systems

**Campus Police** maintain a close working relationship with the Offices of Student Affairs and Residential Education and Housing. Police officers may refer cases to the campus judicial system, in addition to the formal criminal justice system. It is the policy of Campus Police to fully inform victims of all of their options, through college and non-college judicial entities.

## Crime Prevention

**General information** and crime prevention materials are distributed to incoming students and their families during orientation. Police officers make presentations relating to crime prevention at the request of the campus community. The Crime Awareness Program (CAP) is an effort in which students, faculty, and staff team together with Campus Police to help prevent crime and inform the campus community of security procedures through educational programs and interactive events. Please call 609/771-2171 for further information.

Crime prevention materials and reporting procedures are included in the faculty handbook and the *Supplemental Manual of College Policies, Regulations, and Procedures for Students*. A pamphlet for distribution to all new employees is provided to the human resources office for that purpose. A weekly “Cop Shop” feature in the student newspaper, *The Signal*, is an important element of our crime prevention effort. In addition, it is the policy of the college to, when necessary and appropriate, make timely warnings if there is a threat posed to the community. This warning may come in the form of a campus wide e-mail, special meeting, or other such general advertisement. Keeping the community informed and aware as to the nature and volume of offenses reported on campus constitutes one of our most valuable crime prevention efforts.

## Alcohol Policies

**The College of New Jersey** considers the consumption of alcoholic beverages on campus a privilege, subject to the limitations imposed by law, college policy, and the expectations of decorum and dignity befitting an academic community. We are committed to students’ pursuit of a quality education and thus provide an environment conducive to health, education, and well being. To this end, the college permits the legal and responsible consumption of alcoholic beverages on campus. Thus, sale, service, and consumption of alcoholic beverages must comply with college policies, Ewing Township local ordinances, and New Jersey state laws. For a detailed summary of applicable laws and college regulations, see the *Supplemental Manual of College Policies, Regulations, and Procedures for Students*.

## Drug Policies

**In compliance** with the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act, TCNJ prohibits the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol on the campus or as part of any of its sponsored activities. The law requires mandatory compliance with these standards of conduct. Therefore, this statement serves notice that up to and including suspension/dismissal, termination of employment, prosecution, and/or referral to an appropriate rehabilitation or treatment program, will be imposed on those who violate the college’s drug and alcohol policies.

(Source: Supplemental Manual of College Policies, Regulations, and Procedures for Students.)

## Alcohol and Drug Education Program

**The Alcohol and Drug Education Program (ADEP)** is designed to promote prevention, education, and awareness of substance abuse issues for students, faculty, and staff. ADEP staff offer programs and training opportunities for education, prevention, and intervention. A resource library and referral resources are available. The ADEP office is located in Eickhoff Hall 159. For information about ADEP, call 609/771-2571. (Source: *Supplemental Manual of College Policies, Regulations, and Procedures for Students*.) <http://www.tcnj.edu/~adepl/>

## Sexual Health Programs and Policies

**Sexual Assault (including date and acquaintance rape)** and other sexual offenses are serious concerns of this community. Anyone committing such an act could face suspension or dismissal from the college if found guilty under the campus judicial structure. Such individuals also face penalties associated with a conviction for the criminal offense, should a criminal complaint be filed.

Victims of sexual offenses should contact Campus Police and/or the Office of the Vice President of Student Affairs. **Whether or not the victim chooses to report the assault, it is important that potential evidence be preserved and that timely medical examination and treatment be sought.** Victims should not shower, wash clothing, or disturb any potential evidence. Successful prosecution, in court or through the campus judicial structure, maybe difficult without this evidence.

For an offense that occurs on campus, disciplinary and criminal action against the assailant may be initiated by reporting the crime to Campus Police or the Office of the Vice President of Student Affairs. In any subsequent campus disciplinary hearing, both the accused and the accuser are entitled to the same opportunities to have others present: an adviser or an attorney acting as an adviser. Both parties will be informed of the outcome of any disciplinary proceeding.

A victim of a sexual offense has the right to report that offense to the police. Campus Police have the primary responsibility for responding to and investigating any reported crimes that occur on the campus. Accordingly, such reports should be made to Campus Police. In the case of an off-campus offense, the victim should contact the local police or Campus Police for assistance in reporting the offense to the appropriate police department. The Sexual Assault Response Team of the Mercer County Prosecutor’s Office may also assist in the investigation.

The Office of Anti-Violence Initiatives (OAVI) addresses sexual assault/dating violence issues by raising awareness through prevention and education efforts. Staff can meet with survivors of sexual assault and dating violence to review available resources and address any concerns that might arise when accessing resources on and off campus.

Every effort will be made to honor reasonable requests from victims of sexual offenses for changes or accommodations in academic and residence matters (schedule or room changes, etc.). The Office of the Vice President of Student Affairs should be consulted for assistance.

The Office of Psychological Counseling Services at 609/771-2247 and the Office of Health Services at 609/771-2483 offer a variety of services to victims of sexual offenses. All of these offices will provide more information on a confidential basis.

## Campus Sexual Assault Victim Bill of Rights

**As a victim of sexual assault, you have the right:**

- to have any allegation of sexual assault treated seriously and to be treated with dignity.
- to information on existing medical, counseling, mental health, or student services for victims of sexual assault, both on the campus and in the community, whether or not the crime is reported to campus or civil authorities .
- to have any allegation of sexual assault investigated and adjudicated by the appropriate criminal and civil authorities of the jurisdiction in which the crime occurred.
- to full and prompt cooperation and assistance of campus personnel in notifying the proper authorities.
- to be free from any suggestion that the victim is responsible for the commission of the crime.
- to be free from any suggestion that the victim was negligent or assumed the risk of being assaulted.
- to be free from any suggestion that the victim must report the crime to be assured of any other right guaranteed under the policy.
- to be free from any suggestion that the victim should refrain from reporting crimes in order to avoid unwanted personal publicity.
- to legal assistance, and to have others present, in any campus disciplinary proceeding that the institution permits to the accused.
- to be notified of the outcome of any disciplinary proceeding against the accused.
- to full, prompt, and victim-sensitive cooperation of campus personnel in obtaining, securing, and maintaining evidence, including a medical examination if it is necessary to preserve evidence of the assault.
- to be informed of, and assisted in, exercising any rights to be confidentially, or anonymously, tested for sexually transmitted disease or immunodeficiency virus.
- to be informed of, and assisted in, exercising any rights that may be provided by law to compel the disclosure of the results of testing of sexual assault suspects for communicable diseases.
- to have access to counseling, under the same terms and conditions as apply to other students seeking such counseling, from appropriate campus mental health service entities, or by other sexual assault victims, at the election of the victim.
- to require campus personnel to take reasonable and necessary action to prevent further unwanted contact of victims with their alleged assailants including, but not limited to, the immediate relocation of the victim to safe, alternative housing and transfer of classes, if requested, if such changes are reasonably available.

## Questions?

**For additional information**, or to make arrangements for a crime prevention presentation by a police officer for your class or campus organization, please contact the Campus Police at 609/771-2171.

## Campus Crime Statistics

**The Office of Campus Police Services** has been a contributor to the Uniform Crime Reporting System since 1977. Below are statistics for the last three calendar years:

Category	Venue	2006	2005	2004
<b>Criminal Homicide</b>	On Campus**	0	0	0
	In residential facilities	0	0	0
	Non-campus building/property	0	0	0
<b>Negligent Manslaughter</b>	On public property	0	0	0
	On Campus**	0	0	0
	In residential facilities	0	0	0
	Non-campus building/property	0	0	0
	On public property	0	0	0
	On Campus**	1	11	16
<b>Sex Offenses (Forcible)</b>	In residential facilities	1	5	12
	Non-campus building/property	0	5	1
	On public property	0	1	0
<b>Sex Offenses (Non Forcible)</b>	On Campus**	0	0	0
	In residential facilities	0	0	0
	Non-campus building/property	0	0	0
	On public property	0	0	0
	On Campus**	0	0	0
	In residential facilities	0	0	0
	Non-campus building/property	0	0	0
	On public property	0	0	0
	On Campus**	1	1	2
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	In residential facilities	1	0	2
	Non-campus building/property	0	0	0
	On public property	0	1	0
<b>Burglary</b>	On Campus**	19	22	13
	In residential facilities	15	16	6
	Non-campus building/property	1	0	0
	On public property	0	0	0
	On Campus**	1	0	4
	In residential facilities	1	0	3
<b>Arson</b>	Non-campus building/property	0	0	0
	On public property	0	0	0
	On Campus**	1	2	8
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft</b>	In residential facilities	0	0	0
	Non-campus building/property	0	0	0
	On public property	0	2	0
<b>Disciplinary Referrals and Arrests</b>				
<b>Liquor Law Violations</b>	On Campus**	772	707	676
	In residential facilities	732	682	640
	Non-campus building/property	5	0	26
	On public property	4	16	0
	On Campus**	26	38	59
	In residential facilities	21	33	46
	Non-campus building/property	0	0	0
	On public property	2	3	0
	On Campus**	7	3	2
<b>Weapons Possession</b>	In residential facilities	6	3	1
	Non-campus building/property	0	0	0
	On public property	0	0	0
<b>Bias with Bodily Injury</b>	Race	0	0	0
	Gender	0	0	0
	Religion	0	0	0
	Sexual Orientation	0	0	0
	Ethnicity	0	0	0
	Disability	0	0	0

**Note:** The Campus Security Act was amended in 1998. Any marked increase across those years or in the revised statistics from previous years can be accounted for by the fact that the geographic boundaries for reporting were greatly expanded in 1998, and reporting of drug, alcohol, and weapons violations has also been broadened to include not only arrests but also disciplinary referrals.

\*\* This category includes all on-campus incidents, including those listed in the category below, “In residential facilities.” Therefore, the two categories are not cumulative, but duplicative.