

Safety Matters

RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY

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WELCOME TO RUTGERS' CAMPUS AT CAMDEN

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Since my return to Rutgers, I have had the privilege of meeting and talking with many members of the community about how our University can become an even better place in which to learn, explore new ideas, teach, conduct research, and work. At Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, we are committed to maintaining a safe, clean and physically attractive environment for our students, faculty, staff, and visitors.

Safety Matters describes the safety programs and resources available at Rutgers. It will inform you of prevention measures and raise your level of awareness. Both are critical elements in reducing the opportunity for crime on campus. I encourage you to review this information and share suggestions you may have to improve security and safety with the Division of Public Safety.

Campus Safety must be a priority for everyone in the Rutgers community. With your cooperation, we can work together to raise awareness, deter crime and maintain a secure campus.

Richard L. McCormick

President of the University

This information is provided as part of Rutgers' commitment to safety and is in compliance with the federal Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act of 1990, Public Law 101-542, as amended to the Clery Act of 1998.

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The Camden Campus of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, is located between Copper Street and the Benjamin Franklin Bridge, directly across the Delaware River from Center-City Philadelphia. The campus community includes more than 6,800 individuals, which makes Rutgers–Camden equivalent in population to many small towns.



Rutgers–Camden is committed to participating in the growth and revitalization of the City of Camden. The campus, in partnership with the residents, corporations, cultural institutions, and other organizations in Camden, provides an outstanding educational and cultural resource for southern New Jersey.

Rutgers maintains a comprehensive public safety program aimed at serving all members of the campus community. Safety always starts with the individual. By following all security policies and using common sense safety practices, you help to promote a crime-free campus environment. Waking in groups, reporting suspicious activity, keeping doors and windows securely locked, limiting consumption of alcohol – these are simple measures that help ensure your protection.

This report provides a useful overview of security policies and procedures at Rutgers. How can you help prevent crime? What are the procedures for reporting criminal activity on campus? Being aware of the security program on campus – and helping us to maintain safety policies — is key to preventing crime. Safety at Rutgers is *everyone's* responsibility.

The Office Responsible for Campus Security

The Office of the Chancellor (**856/225-6095**) has primary responsibility for security on the Rutgers–Camden campus. This responsibility is exercised through the Rutgers University Police Department.

For emergencies, dial **911** from an outside line, **856/225-6111**, or **8** from any campus phone.

For non-emergencies, call **856/225-6009**. The Campus Housing office (**856/225-6471**) and Office of Student Life (**856/225-6044**) formulate the living and visitation policies.

Learn more about the many services offered by the Rutgers University Police Department at Camden by visiting

camden.rutgers.edu/safety

The People Working for your Safety

Security personnel at Rutgers–Camden include 19 commissioned uniformed police officers, 70 security officers, four dispatchers, five community service officers, and additional support staff.

These men and women work together to patrol the campus and respond to your needs 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Rutgers police officers are commissioned by the State of New Jersey, and are armed and empowered to arrest. Our officers are commissioned under Title 18A:16-4.2 of the New Jersey State Code.

Training at a New Jersey Police Training Commission-approved academy is in complete accordance with NJSA 18A:6-4.4.

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This is the same training and certification received by municipal officers of the state.

Unarmed security officers patrol buildings and grounds every day and night, acting as additional eyes and ears for our police officers. These security officers are able to communicate directly with the University Police via two-way radio.

University Police Authority

University police officers have complete authority to apprehend and arrest anyone involved in illegal acts, both on and off campus. University police officers receive their statutory enforcement authority from NJSA 18A:16-4.2. Offenses committed by Rutgers students may be referred to the appropriate college or university judicial board, prosecuted in the municipal courts, or, in some cases, both.

Our university police force works closely with local police and security departments, including the City of Camden, the Camden County Sheriff's Department, the Camden County Office of the Prosecutor, the Adventure Aquarium, the Delaware River Port Authority, L-3 Communications, Campbell Soup Company, and Cooper Hospital/University Medical Center. This joint effort is enhanced by the Camden Corporation Watch, an organization formed by 29 institutions to encourage cooperation on policing and security in Camden.

Rutgers reports crime statistics to the State of New Jersey via the Uniform Crime Report system. We are members of the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) computer network, allowing us to receive and transmit serial numbers of missing and found property, as well as information about missing or wanted persons.

Access to University Buildings and Programs

Access to university buildings other than residence halls is available to Rutgers students, faculty, staff, and others with an authorized educational purpose. Access to residence halls is restricted to residents and their invited guests more fully dis-

cussed in the sections of residence hall security and residence hall visitation policies. Anyone in university buildings for an unauthorized purpose is subject to arrest for trespassing by the Rutgers Police Department.

Many Rutgers events and activities are open to general public, while others are restricted to our students, faculty, and staff. Additional security personnel may be hired for such large gatherings as athletic events, festivals, theatrical presentations, and concerts.

Special Security Services

The Rutgers University Police Department sponsors many special security services aimed at maintaining a safe environment.

Student orientation provides incoming students with an introduction to the members of the police department and an explanation of our mission. It also familiarizes students with the campus and the city from a security and safety viewpoint.

Bulletin boards at various campus locations display crime prevention tips and inform the reader of reported incidents both on and off campus for the previous week.

Approximately 24 crime prevention workshops are offered periodically by members of the Rutgers University Police Department during the regular academic year.

To ensure pedestrian safety, an escort service is provided by the Rutgers University Police Department, upon request, between campus buildings and parking lots. In addition, a security shuttle bus provides service between the Rutgers-Camden Campus, the Walter Rand Transportation Center, and the PATCO High Speed Line. The shuttle bus is driven by a university security officer who is CDL qualified. Both the escort service and the security shuttle bus are available by calling the police dispatcher at 856/225-6009 or using any emergency telephone.

Reporting Campus Crime

It is imperative that all crime and suspicious activity be reported promptly to the Police. By working together, the university community and the police can reduce crime on and off campus. All reports of criminal activities or emergencies will be handled by the appropriate public safety staff. You may report criminal activities

or other emergencies in several different ways at Rutgers.

Police Emergencies, Non-emergencies, or Information

For police emergencies, dial 8 or 6111 from any campus phone. Dial 911 from a campus phone once you have obtained an outside line or from off campus and public phones or private lines. For non-emergencies, dial 6009 from any campus phone or 856/225-6009 from an off-campus or public phone.

Campus Emergency Phones and Emergency Alarms

You may use one of the 82 emergency phones located in various buildings on campus. Simply lift the receiver and a police dispatcher will answer. In addition, emergency alarms are located in many women's and some men's rest rooms. These are activated by pushing a button. The location of the emergency phone or alarm call is automatically displayed to the University Police, and a police officer is dispatched immediately to the site.

Residence Hall Phones

Residence hall telephones are provided in the entrance lobby in view of the security officer. In addition, each suite has a telephone that may be used to call any campus location, including housing staff, the security officer, and police headquarters. Many students also have private telephone service at their own expense.

Campus Security Personnel

You may report suspicious or emergency conditions to any police officer or security officer. Police and security officers are on duty at all times, patrolling on foot or in police cars. All security personnel carry two-way radios and are in direct contact with police headquarters.

Police Headquarters

Anyone may report a situation in person at Rutgers University Police headquarters, located at Fourth and Linden Streets (behind the Gordon Theater and next to the Gymnasium). A Rutgers police officer is available 24 hours a day to assist you. If you prefer, you may call Camden City Police at 856/757-7486.

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Sensitive Crimes

The Rutgers University Police Department trains its members to assist victims of bias crimes (incidents related to race, religion, or sexual orientation), sexual assault (including acquaintance rape and stranger rape), and domestic violence. If you are a victim of bias crime, sexual assault, or domestic violence, or if you see offensive graffiti on campus, you are encouraged to call police headquarters at 856/225-6009.

Sex Offender Registry

The federal Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act of 2000 (CSCPA) amends the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act. This act provides special requirements relating to registration and community notification for sex offenders who are enrolled in or work at institutions of higher education. CSCPA also amended the Clery Act, an annual crime reporting law, and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to allow the disclosure of this information regarding students.

As provided in the Wetterling Act, any person required to register under a state sex offender registration program must notify the state regarding each institution of higher education in the State of which the person is employed, carries on a vocation, or is a student and must also alert the state of any change in enrollment or employment status.

In New Jersey, convicted sex offenders must personally register, re-register, and verify their address with their local or state police in the municipality where they reside. You can link to this information which appears on the NJ State Police Website at http://www.state.nj.us/njsp/info/reg_sexoffend.html There you can find a multitude of resources regarding sex offenders and their registration requirements.

Policies on Alcohol, Drugs, Weapons, Criminal Records

Alcoholic Beverages

Rutgers enforces all state laws regarding the possession, use, and sale of alcoholic beverages, including those prohibiting the consumption of alcoholic beverages by persons under the age of 21. Violators will be arrested. Organizers of events must obtain approval to serve alcoholic beverages from the Office of Student Life and are held responsible for ensuring that alcoholic beverages are not served to minors.

Illegal Drugs

Rutgers enforces all state and federal laws concerning illegal drugs. Anyone who is apprehended by the police in possession of,

using, or selling drugs is arrested.

The Drug and Alcohol Assistance Program provides students with counseling and assistance. For information call 856/225-6009 during business hours and 732/932-7976 for a 24-hour hotline.

Drug and Alcohol Education and Treatment Programs

Rutgers has well-established programs to prevent the abuse of alcohol and other drugs and to offer help to those who suffer from the consequences of alcohol and other drug abuse.

The Alcohol and Other Drug Assistance Program for Students is a counseling and information program for students who are concerned about their drinking or use/abuse, or about drug or alcohol misuse in their family.

The Alcohol and Other Drug Education Program for Training is available for students, faculty, and staff throughout the university. Skilled student alcohol/drug educators lead programs and workshops upon request for student organizations, residence halls, and classes.

In addition, crime prevention programs offered by the Rutgers University police address the abuse of alcohol as it relates to driving while intoxicated, sexual assault, and other abusive behaviors. A Rutgers Faculty and Staff Assistance Program is available to help faculty, staff, and members of their immediate families with personal, emotional, social, or health-related programs. The service offers assistance with a variety of problems, including dependence on alcohol and/or other substances. As with all other programs, any contacts with the service are strictly confidential.

In addition, the Office of Student Life participates in alcohol and drug abuse education by sponsoring Alcohol Education Week every fall semester. As part of the Orientation Day agenda counselors discuss alcohol and drug abuse with all first-year and new transfer students. Upon request, an Alcohol Coordinator from Rutgers will provide education presentation.

Possession of Weapons

All university police officers and their supervisors carry weapons while on duty. In accordance with state law, no one other than commissioned law enforcement personnel may carry firearms on campus.

Previous Criminal Records

Prospective students may be asked about previous criminal records depending upon the policies of the school to which they apply. A thorough background investigation is conducted of all police and security officers before hire.

Creating a Safe Environment

Doors and windows that lock securely, properly operating alarm systems, well-lighted campus walkways and parking areas—these are important elements of a safe campus environment. Proper maintenance of campus facilities and prompt response to emergency situations are integral parts of Rutgers' campus safety program.

Fire Safety Services

Fire safety is a major component of our total safety and security program. Fire safety specialists provide fire safety awareness training sessions in the residence halls and conduct emergency evacuation drills to familiarize occupants with emergency procedures. These specialists are responsible for inspecting all university buildings and enforcing the New Jersey Uniform Fire Code. Please visit their website for more information. <http://rues.rutgers.edu/>

Emergency Medical Service

All emergency medical transports are conducted by the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey squads (911 from an outside line). If contacted concerning a medical emergency, police communications coordinate the dispatch of these emergency units with police personnel. Persons affiliated with the university (faculty, staff, and students) requiring assistance for a minor injury or illness are referred to the Student Health Center between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Security Maintenance

Problems with safety-related hardware (such as doors, locks, windows, lights, and security screens) in all buildings should be reported promptly for repair. Facilities maintenance engineers are available 24 hours a day to react to safety-related problems. Repair requests can also be directed to the University Police, who will notify the mechanic on duty. Rutgers has installed and maintains exterior lighting around our buildings, as well as additional sidewalk and roadway lighting to keep the campus well illuminated. Shrubbery maintenance is conducted with both security and appearance in mind. Any member of the university community

may report a security or maintenance concern by calling the police dispatcher at 856/225-6009.

An Informed Campus Community

Rutgers provides annually updated security information to all students and employees. Newly admitted students also receive information on security procedures and policies and how to obtain additional security information.

The student newspaper, *The Gleaner*, publishes the weekly police bulletin and various campus newsletters print crime prevention information. Additional informational materials, including brochures, flyers, and posters, describe crime prevention measures and are distributed each year.

Numerous safety-related programs are held by the Offices of Residence Life and Student Health and by individual student groups throughout the academic year. In addition, the Rutgers University Police Crime Prevention Unit is available upon request to present educational programs to students and staff on topics such as:

- Crime Prevention and Personal Safety
- Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention
- Alcohol and Public Safety
- Campus Security Procedures
- Rape Aggression Defense
- Driving While Intoxicated

(Training is conducted several times each year)

For more information, or to schedule a program, call 856/225-6009.

Sexual Assault Notification Procedures

Sexual assault, often referred to as rape, is a serious crime. Reporting a sexual assault can be a difficult process and may seem overwhelming at times. The Rutgers University police Department treats victims of assault with respect, courtesy, and dignity, believing that a victim's safety and privacy are of major importance. If you have been sexually assaulted on campus, you are strongly encouraged to report the incident to the Rutgers University Police Department by dialing 856/225-6009 or by picking up an emergency telephone as soon as possible. Victims have the option of notifying the Camden City Police if they desire at 856/757-7486.

If the assault occurred off campus, report the incident to the municipal police where the assault occurred. The Rutgers Police

will assist individuals who are unsure of how and where to report the crime.

Rutgers Police will meet with you privately, at a place of your choice, in the campus area. A sensitive, specially trained officer will conduct the interview and the investigation. Reporting the crime does not commit you to following through with an investigation or prosecution, and the Police will respect your decision. The police will contact a victim advocate from Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance to provide you with support and help through the interview process, as well as for continued counseling and assistance as you recover. The victim advocate also will provide you with information regarding the medical exam, options for filing charges through the University Code of Student Conduct (if the assailant is a Rutgers student), and assistance in deciding whom you will tell about the assault.

The Police will assist in making arrangements for the medical exam and will provide transportation to and from the county rape crisis center/hospital, located at Cooper Hospital (856/342-2000), where the exam is conducted. The University Police will also assist you in contacting other available resources, such as the Major Crimes Unit of Camden County Prosecutor (856/225-8400), and Services Empowering Rape Victims (SERV) (856/964-7378).

If you are unsure of the course of action to take, or what kinds of options are available, you can call Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance at 732/932-1181 and ask to speak to the director. Speaking with the director will not result in a police investigation or any police intervention.

While making the decision about whether to report the assault, it is important to consider the valuable evidence that may be important for prosecution. This includes not washing your clothing or other items that may have come in contact with your assailant, as well as resisting the desire to bathe.

The university is concerned about your emotional health and academic success, both of which may be affected by a sexual assault. Counseling is available through the Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance at 732/932-1181 or through the psychological services coordinator of the Rutgers-Camden Health Center at 856/225-6005. You may wish to change your academic schedule or living arrangements; the university will assist you in making those changes if the

options are available. This can be done by contacting the dean's office or by asking staff in Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance or the investigating police officer to assist you in contacting the appropriate person in the university. Deciding whether to purchase charges through the criminal justice and/ or the internal University Code of Student Conduct is an individual decision only you can make. Sexual assault is a crime that is prosecuted through the county prosecutor's office and is done as a result of a criminal investigation by the police. Rutgers Police and Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance will keep you apprised of the progress of the case, answer any questions you may have, and facilitate your progress with the prosecutor assigned to your case. The University Code of Student Conduct has specific charges of sexual assault and nonconsensual sexual contact. When the assailant is a student, this option is available. Both the accuser and the accused (called complainant and respondent) are entitled to the same right to have others present during the proceedings and the right to be informed of the outcome. Students found guilty of sexual assault or nonconsensual sexual contact are subject to a range of penalties up to and including separation from the university.

The University Police will treat your complaint seriously regardless of your gender or the gender of your assailant. You may report a sexual assault at any time of day or night. We are committed to working with you to make the Rutgers campus a community responsive to the needs of our students, staff, and faculty.

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Sexual Assault Services and Crime Victim Assistance

Rutgers is committed to creating a community free from violence where all members treat one another with respect and human dignity. Recognizing that our society is imperfect and that the crime occurs both on and off campus, Rutgers has created the Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance. Programs and services are available across the university for students, staff, and faculty to promote ways of both preventing crime and responding to the needs of crime victims.

Staff from the office provide crime victims/supervisors and other members of the university community with assistance through advocacy, crisis intervention, and short term counseling. Within the department, the Office of Crime Victim Assistance provides specialized help to individuals who have been victims of a broad range of crimes, including car vandalism, theft of wallet/purse, and harassment. Staff work collaboratively with other university offices in the development of educational initiatives that provide opportunities for members of the Rutgers community to explore behaviors and attitudes about violence, in particular sexual assault, sexual harassment, and dating violence.

Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance is located at 3 Bartlett Street on the College Avenue Campus in New Brunswick. For information or assistance, or to request a program in Camden, call 732/932-1181. All counseling is confidential.

Campus Sexual Assault Victim's Bill of Rights Introduction

A college or university is a free society must be devoted to the pursuit of truth and knowledge through reason and open communication among its members.

Academic communities acknowledge the necessity of being intellectually stimulating where the diversity of ideas is valued. Rules must be conceived for the purpose of furthering and protecting the rights of all members of the university community in achieving these ends.

The boundaries of personal freedom are limited by applicable state and federal laws and institutional rules and regulations governing interpersonal behavior. In creating a community free from violence, sexual assault, and nonconsensual sexual contact, respect for the individual and human dignity are of paramount importance.

Some Tips for Your Safety

- Be aware that you are a potential victim of crime. Stay alert and attuned to people and circumstances around you.
- Avoid the use of alcohol and other drugs. Persons under the influence are much more likely to be the victims of a serious crime.
- Immediately notify the Rutgers University Police Department of any person or activity that aroused your suspicion.
- Know where emergency phones are located.
- Avoid isolation. After dark, walk with others. Use well-lighted paths.
- Indoors, avoid being alone in study rooms, laundry rooms, and other isolated areas.
- Use university transportation and escort services.
- Do not hitchhike or pick up hitchhikers.
- Do not prop open any building doors.
- Keep the door to your room or apartment locked when you are alone or sleeping or when it is unoccupied.
- Lock the first-floor windows, fire escape windows, and security screens.
- Do not allow strangers into residence buildings.
- Do not leave property unattended or unprotected.
- Secure bicycles to bike racks with quality locking device. Register your bicycle with the Rutgers University Police Department.

The State of New Jersey and Rutgers recognize that the impact of violence on victims and the surrounding community can be severe and long lasting. Thus, this Bill of Rights has been established to articulate requirements for policies, procedures, and services designed to ensure that the needs of victims are met and that the colleges and universities in New Jersey create and maintain communities that support human dignity.

Bill of Rights

The following rights shall be accorded to victims of sexual assault that occurs:

- On the campus of any public or independent institution of higher education in the State of New Jersey, and
- where the alleged perpetrator is a student at the institution, and/or
- when the victim is a student involved in an off-campus sexual assault.

Human Dignity Rights:

- To be free from any suggestion that victims must report the crimes to be ensured of any other right guaranteed under this policy
- To have any allegations of sexual assault treated seriously; the right to be treated with dignity
- To be free from any suggestion that victims are responsible for the commission of crimes against them
- To be free from any pressure from campus personnel to:
 - report crimes if the victim does

not wish to do so
-report crimes as lesser offenses than the victim perceives them to be
-refrain from reporting crimes to avoid unwanted personal publicity.

Rights to Resources On and Off Campus:

- To be notified of existing campus and community based medical, counseling, mental health, and student services for victims of sexual assault, whether or not the crime is formally reported to campus or civil authorities
- To have access to campus counseling under the same terms and conditions as apply to other students in their institution seeking such counseling
- To be informed of and assisted in exercising:
 - any rights to confidential or anonymous testing for sexually transmitted diseases, human immunodeficiency virus, and/or pregnancy
 - any rights that may be provided by law to compel and disclose the results of testing of sexual assault suspects for communicable diseases.

Campus Judicial Rights:

- To be afforded the same access to legal assistance as the accused
- To be afforded the same opportunity

to have others present during any campus disciplinary proceeding that is allowed the accused

- To be notified of the outcome of the sexual assault disciplinary proceeding against the accused.

Legal Rights:

- To have any allegation of sexual assault investigated and adjudicated by the appropriate criminal and civil authorities of the jurisdiction in which the sexual assault is reported
- To receive full and prompt cooperation and assistance of campus personnel in notifying the proper authorities
- To receive full, prompt, and victim-sensitive cooperation of campus personnel with regard to obtaining, securing, and maintaining evidence, including a medical examination when it is necessary to preserve evidence of the assault.

Campus Intervention Rights:

- To require campus personnel to take reasonable and necessary actions to prevent further unwanted contact of victims by their alleged assailants
- To be notified of the options for and provided assistance in changing academic and living situations if such changes are reasonably available.

Statutory Mandates:

- Each campus must guarantee that this Bill of Rights is implemented. It is the obligation of the individual campus governing board to examine resources dedicated to services required and to make appropriate requests to increase or reallocate resources where necessary to ensure
- Each campus shall make every reasonable effort to ensure that every student at that institution receives a copy of this document.
- Nothing in this act or in any Campus Assault Victim's Bill of Rights developed in accordance with the provisions of this act shall be construed to preclude or in any way restrict any public or independent institution of higher education in the state from reporting any suspected crime or offense to the appropriate law enforcement authorities.

Harassment

Sexual harassment is unwelcome, unwanted verbal or physical conduct directed at someone because of his or her sex, resulting in the systematic creation of a hostile work or school environment. Not

limited to a single gender, both women and men can be subjected to sexual harassment. Additionally, harassment can be racially motivated, resulting in an equally uncomfortable and hostile environment at school or at work. Current Rutgers policy protects students, staff, and faculty from unwelcome sexual interactions, and from being required to work, study, or live in an environment that would be experienced as hostile by a reasonable person who shares gender, race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, age, disability, marital, or veteran status. A central Department of Harassment Compliance, created in 1997, coordinates education and intervention.

Please visit the department's homepage:

<http://uhr.rutgers.edu/ee/Harassment.htm>

Missing Student Notification

Pursuant to section 488 of the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008, students residing in on campus student housing facilities have the option to register a confidential contact person who would be notified if the student was to be determined missing. Notification would be conducted by the Rutgers University Police Department or other authorized university official in furtherance of the investigation. Students may register through the Office of Student Affairs.

Individuals concerned about the welfare of a student who has been missing may report the student missing to the Rutgers University Police Department or the Office of Student Affairs. Whether a student has or has not registered a contact person, the Rutgers University Police will be immediately notified if a student is reported missing. Parents or guardians of students under 18 years of age and not emancipated will be notified when a student is reported missing.

Official reports of missing students to any university official must be immediately referred to the Rutgers University Police Department. The Rutgers University Police Department will fully investigate the missing person report utilizing departmental policy and procedure and the New Jersey Attorney General's guidelines regarding missing persons.

To report a student missing to the Rutgers University Police please call 856-225-6009.

Hate Crimes

Rutgers University seeks to foster a learning environment that exemplifies the

inclusion of diverse persons and perspectives. However, no institution of learning is immune to problems that arise as a result of various forms of bias. The definition of a bias crime as described by the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Hate Crimes Collection Guidelines is:

A criminal offense committed against a person or property which is motivated, in whole or in part, by the offender's bias against a race, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or ethnicity/national origin; also known as Hate Crime.

Hate crimes are not separate, distinct crimes, but rather traditional offenses motivated by the offender's bias. For example, an offender may commit arson because of his/her racial bias. It is, therefore, unnecessary to create a whole new crime category. To the contrary, hate crime data can be collected by merely capturing additional information about offenses already being reported to UCR.

Reporting a Bias Incident or Hate Crime

All members of the Rutgers University community are urged to promptly report to the Rutgers University Police Department any bias incident directed against a Rutgers University community member or group that occurred on-campus or at any Rutgers-sponsored off-campus event. The Rutgers University Police Department will vigorously investigate the incident and the perpetrator will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Victims of a bias crime will be referred to the Office of Violence Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Penalties for Hate Crimes

Penalties for a conviction of a hate crime in the State of New Jersey are deemed to be one category higher than the specified offense the defendant committed. Overall penalties for hate crimes are very serious and range from fines to imprisonment for lengthy periods depending on the nature of the underlying offense, the use of violence and previous convictions of the offender. For specific information regarding penalties refer to New Jersey **Statute § 2C:16-1 (2002)**.

Residence Complex Security

The entrance to the Rutgers-Camden residence complex is attended by security officers 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. To enter the complex, residents must present their resident identification card. Guest policies are in place to monitor visitors and their location within the facilities.

Each of the two residence buildings is entered through electronically locked security doors that are opened from the security desk by the guard after proper identification is presented. Residents of the complex may be admitted to either residence hall, regardless of which building they reside in, provided they present their student I.D. with a valid housing access sticker. Emergency exits are equipped with alarms and are kept secured at all times. Closed circuit television cameras survey the area immediately surrounding the residence complex and are monitored by the complex security desk.

Each residence hall suite has its own lock and key. Keys do not contain room numbers, so if lost, they cannot be identified with a particular room. All rooms have locking windows. Ground-floor rooms and those connecting to or near fire escapes are also equipped with security screens.

Residence Halls and Other Housing

The Rutgers–Camden residence halls house undergraduate, graduate, law, and post-doctoral students in two buildings, the Rutgers–Camden Tower and Camden Apartments. The tower is a 10-story building featuring three-bedroom suites; the apartment building is a six-story facility featuring a mix of one-, two-, and four-bedroom apartments. Current information about the Residence Life program, including information about the Policies and Procedures governing the residence halls is available on the web at:

housing.camden.rutgers.edu

Off-Campus Housing

Private residences in the area around the campus rent to students. Students also tend to rent near stations along the PATCO High Speed Line in communities outside Camden and take the train to the university.

Residence Visitation Policies

Guests of campus residents must show a valid form of picture identification and must be signed in and out by the resident they are visiting. The residence complex staff provides monitoring to guarantee compliance with visitation policies.

University housing is provided for the exclusive use of Rutgers students. Students who bring guests to campus are responsible for making relevant university regulations known to them and must accept responsibility for their conduct during the visit.

No student may permit extended use of

housing to any guest when such use becomes the primary residence of the guest.

No student may have any visitor who becomes a source of complaint.

Host students have complete responsibility for all guests. Students accused of violating visitor policies may be subject to judicial action.

Guests over the age of 14 are required to have a current and valid picture identification.

Residence Life Staff

The Rutgers-Camden residence complex has professional and students staff members living in the halls. This staff consists of one residence life director and eight residence assistants. Professional staff members supervise students staff, coordinate social and educational programming, and serve as resource persons for students with questions or special concerns. Professional and student staff undergo extensive training sessions before each school year begins. Staff participate in workshops on security issues, health concerns, crisis and personal counseling, fire evacuations and other emergency-related topics. Residence managers and assistants are on duty every evening and weekend throughout the academic year. They provide extra security by touring their floors on a regular basis.

The Rutgers–Camden Community

The following are approximate figures for students, faculty, and staff at the Camden Campus of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, based on fall 2010 enrollment statistics:

Undergraduate students:
4,497

Graduate and professional students:
1,661

Administrators, faculty, and staff:
684

Total 6,842



Important Numbers

Rutgers University Police

Chief of Police 856/225-6009
 Emergencies 856/225-6111
 or 911
 (or dial 8 from any campus phone)
 Non-emergencies 856/225-6009

Student Housing

Housing Manager 856/225-6471
 Security Desk 856/225-6481

Student Life

Counseling 856/225-6005

Crime Statistics

2008-2010

The following data was collected from various reports made to the Rutgers University Police, surrounding local police departments and deans of undergraduate and graduate college programs. Individuals are encouraged to report crimes to the Rutgers police, but are able to report crimes to any of these other resources.

Confidential reporting may be made through the Department of Sexual Assault Services and Crime Victim Assistance as outlined within Safety Matters.

	All On-Campus Property				Non-Campus Property				Public Property				Grand Total	On-Campus Residential Only			Section Total
	Reported to RUPD	Reported to other Police Depts.	Reported to other RU offices	Sub-Total	Reported to RUPD	Reported to other Police Depts.	Reported to other RU offices	Sub-Total	Reported to RUPD	Reported to other Police Depts.	Reported to other RU offices	Sub-Total		Reported to RUPD	Reported to other Police Depts.	Reported to other RU offices	
Murder / Non-Negligent Manslaughter																	
2008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter																	
2008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Sex Offenses: Rape or Attempted Rape, Stranger																	
2008	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Sex Offenses: Rape or Attempted Rape, Acquaintance																	
2008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Sex Offenses: Forcible Fondling																	
2008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-forcible Sex Offense: Statutory Rape / Incest																	
2008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery																	
2008	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	7	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	9	0	11	11	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	7	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault																	
2008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	4	0	0	0	0
2009	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	12	0	14	16	0	0	0	0
2010	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0

	All On-Campus Property				Non-Campus Property				Public Property				Grand Total	On-Campus Residential Only			
	Reported to RUPD	Reported to other Police Depts.	Reported to other RU offices	Sub-Total	Reported to RUPD	Reported to other Police Depts.	Reported to other RU offices	Sub-Total	Reported to RUPD	Reported to other Police Depts.	Reported to other RU offices	Sub-Total		Reported to RUPD	Reported to other Police Depts.	Reported to other RU offices	Section Total
Arson																	
2008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2010	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1

Burglary																	
2008	24	0	0	24	4	19	0	23	0	0	0	0	47	4	0	0	4
2009	4	0	0	4	7	35	0	42	0	0	0	0	46	4	0	0	4
2010	10	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	17	6	0	0	6

Motor Vehicle Theft																	
2008	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	7	11	0	0	0	0
2009	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	9	10	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	3	0	0	0	0

Weapons Possession																	
2008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2009	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	4	1	0	0	1
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0

Underage Possession of Alcohol																	
2008	2	0	83	85	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	86	2	0	83	85
2009	0	0	56	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	0	0	56	56
2010	2	0	18	20	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	21	1	0	18	19

Open Container of Alcohol																	
2008	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Serving Alcohol to Underage Persons																	
2008	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0

Drug Abuse Violations																	
2008	9	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	3	0	0	3
2009	2	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	9	1	0	10	14	1	0	2	3
2010	12	0	29	41	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	43	0	0	29	29

No Hate Crimes were reported in 2008, 2009 and 2010.