

2008 CAMPUS SECURITY REPORT

ROWAN UNIVERSITY

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Rowan University has over 10,000 full and part time students and approximately 1900 employees. The campus lies within the Borough of Glassboro with a population of almost 19,000 residents. ROWAN shares the concerns of students, parents, and community residents regarding crime and personal safety. While no campus can guarantee the complete safety of its community, we can join together to provide the safest possible environment.

The goal of the Department of Public Safety is to provide members of the university community with a safe and pleasant environment in which to live, work and learn. Specifically, we strive to protect life and property, prevent crime on campus, and provide other essential police, security, and public safety services. We also seek to promote crime prevention education throughout the campus. However, no agency can function effectively without the cooperation of concerned and responsible members of the academic community. We depend on you to call and alert us whenever you observe suspicious activities.

Department of Public Safety

The Department is consists of 70 employees and 100 student workers across four service sections: University Police, Security and Student programs, Safety and Emergency Services, and the office of Emergency Management.

University Police: Rowan police are armed commissioned police officers with full arrest powers. They are graduates of New Jersey Police Academies and undergo continuing training to upgrade their skills and abilities. They provide police services to the university community and work with area police departments to provide a safe living and learning environment. The Campus Police section provides patrol, investigative and crime prevention services.

Security and Student Programs: Security oversees student programs including the Student Community Policing Practitioners, the Student Patrol, and the Safe Walk and Ride program. Security is also responsible for buildings and grounds security, special events planning, and parking control and enforcement.

Campus Safety and Emergency Services: The safety section is responsible for our 24-hour dispatch center, emergency medical services, OSHA compliance, safety programs and education, HAZMAT response, fire safety, alarm systems, and emergency operations.

Office of Emergency Management: The Rowan University Board of Trustees authorized the Office of Emergency Management by resolution in December of 2007. The Board of Trustees also adopted the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the Incident Command System (ICS) as their method of dealing with emergency situations.

Security and Access to Campus Facilities

To promote personal safety and the protection of property, campus facilities are secured after business hours according to established schedules set by Public Safety and the department controlling the location. Entry into secured areas requires written approval from the controlling department head and notification to the Public Safety Department. All members of the university community should carry their ROWAN identification cards with them at all times, as they may be requested to present them by a university official or public safety officer.

The Department of Public Safety provides service to all campus residence and apartment complexes on a 24-hour basis. During the Fall and Spring semesters, the special residence life patrol program provides additional service to residence facilities and grounds during the evening and night hours. Services include patrols to the housing complexes and personal safety walking escorts. These officers have the responsibility for ensuring that exterior doors are kept locked and are not propped open. They do not enter individual rooms or apartments, except in the event of an emergency, a fire alarm, or when asked.

Campus residence facilities are restricted to residents and invited guests. Accordingly, the exterior doors of residence halls are kept locked and residents must use their assigned key to enter. Residents of apartment complexes are strongly encouraged to keep their exterior doors locked at all times. Anyone who is found attempting to override the security measures is subject to sanctions through the Campus Judicial System.

Residence halls have lights on the outside entrances and windows have locking devices. Some residence halls have security screens on the ground level windows. Every resident unit is equipped with a telephone by which Public Safety can be reached.

The Department of Public Safety works closely with the Facilities Department to maintain a safe environment. Members of the university community are encouraged to report lock problems, lighting problems, or other security concerns as soon as possible.

Crime Statistics and Rates

Although ROWAN has been fortunate in not experiencing a significant number of crimes in the past, you should be aware that crimes have occurred on campus. The Department of Public Safety wishes to remind our students and employees that safety and security is a shared responsibility. Part of this responsibility involves the prompt reporting of crimes or suspicious conditions so that we may investigate and take appropriate corrective measures. Collectively, we can be successful in improving safety and security. All of our incident reports are classified and coded by crime so we may provide the crime statistics that follow. We solicit information from the Division of Student Affairs for any crimes that may have occurred but were not reported to our agency. We also solicit information from Glassboro Police for incidents that may have happened on adjacent public property or non-campus buildings or properties as defined below. Our Crime Prevention section also uses this information on a daily basis to determine if an advisory should be issued to the campus community or if extra preventive attention is warranted.

The Department submits a monthly Uniform Crime Report to the New Jersey State Police and maintains statistics on crime as required by federal law. Below are the crime statistics for the last three calendar years:

Category	2007				2006				2005			
	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
Homicide												
Murder / Manslaughter	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
Forcible	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	6	4	0	5
Non-Force	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	6
Aggravated Assault	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	24
Burglary	15	9	0	1	21	20	0	3	13	6	0	35
Auto Theft	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	3	0	0	8
Arson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrests for	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
Alcohol	15	2	0	2	25	1	0	173	13	6	0	170
Drug Offense	21	8	0	6	18	11	0	351	10	5	0	361
Weapons	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	31	1	0	0	20
Referrals for	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
Alcohol	309	307	0	0	280	280	0	1	314	308	0	0
Drug Offense	29	19	0	0	62	57	0	0	41	31	0	0
Weapons	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Crime Statistics

Location Key:

A = Occurred on Campus

B = Occurred in Residence Hall (Subset of A)

C = Occurred in a non-campus building or property (owned or controlled by a recognized student organization, or an off-campus educational property owned or controlled by Rowan)

D = Occurred on adjacent public property

Personal Safety and Crime Prevention

Crime prevention is an important goal of the Department of Public Safety. One key to preventing crime is the involvement of students and employees. ROWAN believes that safety is a shared responsibility and that "security begins at home". The Department offers programs designed to interact with the campus community at every level. They include presentations about personal safety awareness, special interest topics, sexual assault prevention, student and parent orientation, printed material, and prevention of burglary and vandalism. Information on crime prevention and personal safety is provided through seminars, videos, crime alerts, advisories, and other means. The Department schedules these types of events each semester. In addition, we conduct an orientation information station for summer orientation, a personal safety and sexual assault seminar for the Pre-College Institute program each summer, a late summer new-faculty orientation program, and several new employee orientation programs as scheduled by the Human Resources department.

Because we believe so strongly in the concept of crime prevention and personal safety education, Public Safety and Residence Life operate a Student Crime Prevention Practitioner program. We hire and train approximately fifty-five students who work in the Residence Halls and academic buildings. Student Crime Prevention Practitioners provide evening walking escorts, peer educational programming, and security coverage to academic buildings and residence hall facilities.

The public areas of the campus are well lit, and members of the campus community are advised to use established sidewalks and parking lots. Outdoor emergency telephones are also available throughout the campus. They report directly to the Public Safety Dispatcher and should be used whenever necessary. We encourage you to look at crime prevention through the "Crime Prevention Triangle". It illustrates the three things a criminal needs in order to commit a crime: ability, desire, and opportunity.

While we can't control a criminal's "desire" or "ability" to commit crime, we can control the opportunities we create. By eliminating or reducing those opportunities, we can reduce our likelihood of becoming a victim. Walking in groups of two, three, or more, securing your valuables, locking your room and suite doors, being aware of your surroundings, and attending crime prevention presentations are all good examples of how to reduce the opportunities you may be creating for crime victimization.

Our Crime Prevention section maintains a daily crime log in our Communications Center. This log provides a brief description of crimes reported on campus. The information is also maintained on our web site. In addition, Crime Prevention will distribute an "Owl Alert" advisory when a crime is committed and we determine constitutes a threat or security concern for the campus community.

Security Policies and Procedures

In the last academic year, approximately 10,000 students attended ROWAN. Nearly 3000 students reside in six residence halls and four apartment complexes on campus. Students and employees at ROWAN have access to academic, recreational, and administrative facilities on campus. Access to residence halls by university employees is on an "as-needed" basis and incorporates strict key control procedures. The general public can attend cultural and recreational events on campus, with their access limited to the facilities in which these events are held. Because the university is a public institution, the general public has access to the grounds. The university does not request information from student applicants concerning

involvement in criminal offenses, but does a fingerprint-based criminal history check of all employees.

Safe Walk and Ride

856.256.SAFE (7233)

The purpose of the Safe Walk and Ride program is to provide a safe escort for members of the University who would otherwise have to walk alone at night or are concerned about their personal safety. The program operates from 7:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. while college is in session. The service provides safety escorts between the campus and private residences in close proximity to the campus.

Procedures

- To request a Safe Walk or Ride contact the Safe Walk and Ride Call Center from any campus telephone by dialing S-A-F-E (7233) or 856-256-Safe (7233).
- This program will assign calls as they are received. Please note there may be a delay in responding to your request due to a high volume of calls or other unforeseen circumstances.

Restrictions

- Safe Walk and Ride can not transport intoxicated individuals or persons in need of medical attention. Campus Police will be dispatched to assist intoxicated, sick or injured persons. A police officer will make a determination whether or not emergency medical services are needed before transportation is provided.
- Safe Walk and Ride will not drop off or pick up at any place that serves alcoholic beverages.
- Smoking, drinking, or eating is prohibited in University vehicles.
- Persons using Safe Walk and Ride may be refused service for being belligerent, aggressive or any other unsafe behavior or activity.
 - Offenders will be referred to the Dean of Students Office.
- Safe Walk and Ride can not accept reservations.
- Public safety reserves the right to determine the method of escort provided
 - Large groups requesting escorts will receive walking escorts or have a public safety officer follow the group to on-campus where the student escort may take over.
- Safe Walk and Ride may be suspended at the discretion of the officer in charge during inclement weather or other emergency circumstances.

Rowan Radio, WGLS/FM at 89.7 FM issues periodic reminders to listeners to use the escort service.

Rowan Alert

(Emergency Notification System for Students and Employees)

Quick and reliable communication is critical during a campus emergency. At Rowan, we rely on a number of ways to communicate to our students and employees, including email, voicemail, Internet and the media (i.e., radio, television and newspapers). The Virginia Tech tragedy, however, demonstrated that these modes are not enough. Universities must utilize the latest technologies to communicate to their constituents in minutes.

With that as a goal, Rowan encourages all of its students and employees to register with the Rowan Alert, the emergency notification system. Subscribers will receive instructions about weather related class cancellations and/or University emergencies on registered devices (i.e., cell phone, email, voicemail).

To subscribe, please visit <http://www.rowan.edu/selfservice>. It is important to note that although you can list 18 points of contact, the system will stop trying to send you messages as soon as you confirm receiving one of the messages. In other words, if you receive an alert message on your cell phone, and confirm that you received it when prompted, Rowan Alert **will not** call your other points of contact. However, if you do not answer your cell phone, Rowan Alert will call the next device.

In addition to subscribing to the Rowan Alert, you may want to register your cell phone with the Gloucester County alert system at www.gloucesteralert.com. Both programs are free and provide users information in a timely manner.

If you have any questions or concerns about the Rowan Alert, feel free to call the technology Support Desk at 856-256-4400.

Reporting Criminal Activity or other Problems

For Police, Fire, or Medical Emergencies Dial 9-1-1

9-1-1 will connect you to the Gloucester County Emergency Communications Center. The Rowan Public Safety Department has a direct link to County 911 and will be advised of your emergency.

Criminal activity and problems on campus can be reported directly to the Department of Public Safety by any student, employee or visitor, 24 hours a day, by dialing ext. 4911 or 256-4911. For general business dial 4922. Any campus public safety officer, crime prevention officer, or administrator within the Department may be contacted to receive a report of criminal activity. Reports can also be made in person at our office located in Bole Annex.

Upon receiving a report, a Campus Public Safety Officer is dispatched immediately to the site of the complaint. Arrests, if warranted, can be made by the campus police. Security officers can detain a suspected criminal under certain circumstances until police arrive. Reports of incidents are written and information may be shared with the Glassboro Police Department or other agencies. A Department Supervisor who coordinates follow-up investigations reviews all reports. Reports of stolen property, with serial numbers, are entered into the National Crime Information database in an effort to facilitate recovery.

Some individuals may wish to confidentially report a crime, ask a question, or explore what types of victim services are available to them. You can contact our communications center at extension 4922 and advise the dispatcher of your desire to speak with a police officer anonymously.

Policy Regarding Use of Alcohol / Drugs / Weapons

ROWAN Public Safety officers enforce laws regulating underage drinking and the use or possession of alcohol, controlled substances and weapons. Violations of any of these laws may be processed both through the Campus Judicial System and the Municipal Court System in the Borough of Glassboro.

Purchase and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages by anyone under the age of 21 is a violation of New Jersey law. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in residence halls or on campus grounds. Students over 21 who live in campus apartments should refer to the alcohol policy in the Student Handbook. The Glassboro Police Department and the ROWAN Public Safety Department will sign municipal complaints against any person, regardless of age, carrying an open container of an alcoholic beverage in public areas.

ROWAN fully endorses the mandates of the Drug-Free Campus provisions of the Higher Education Act. As with unauthorized alcohol possession or consumption, municipal complaints may be lodged against suspected violators of the drug laws. Violators will also be subject to the Campus Judicial System. Mandatory alcohol and drug abuse workshops for all new members of Greek societies are coordinated each year by the Dean of Students Office. Drug and alcohol abuse counseling is available in the Counseling Center. In addition, the Dean of Students Office sponsors a drug and alcohol awareness week each semester.

Firearms, dangerous weapons, or weapon replicas of any type are not permitted on campus. Anyone in the possession of such items is subject to criminal prosecution.

Special Information on the Prevention of Sexual Offenses

It is the policy of ROWAN that no student or employee may threaten the health and safety of any member of the university community, of any person on the university campus, or at any university supervised event, through the commission of a sexual offense. The university offers a variety of programs throughout the year designed to educate the campus about sexual offenses and direct victims to appropriate service, assistance, and reporting options. The Dean of Students Office, the Counseling Center, Health Services, and Residence Life offer programs throughout the year and are available to provide information and counseling. A special "Help Hotline" also operates each semester and can be reached during evening hours by calling 256-HELP. Trained students who can assist the caller with counseling and referral service staff it. The Department of Public Safety also offers educational programs and should be notified for legal reporting of criminal incidents. This is especially important for the collection and preservation of evidence for criminal court cases. Successful criminal prosecution depends heavily on proper evidence procedures.

Notification Procedures

In the event of a sexual offense, the university's first concern is to ensure that the victim has the necessary support and assistance needed, and that the victim's wishes concerning confidentiality are respected. Several options are available to victims. The university strongly recommends that a police agency be notified as soon as possible. A victim should notify the Department of Public Safety for offenses that occur on campus, or the Glassboro Police Department for offenses that occur off-campus.

The university encourages victims to contact any of the following departments, even if the report is a delayed one. Those departments include the Student Health Center, Counseling Center, Dean of Students Office, EOF Office, and Residence Life Office. Professional staff are available to lend assistance and service as required. These individuals can also help direct victims to other service agencies located within the community. Victims may use university services with or without filing a formal incident report; however, all of these individuals will gladly assist the victim through the police reporting process. A victim may also request the university to make an adjustment in their academic or living arrangements on campus. Assistance with such adjustments may be reasonably accommodated through the Dean of Students Office.

The Campus Judicial Process conducts hearings for cases involving sexual offenses. Both the accused and the accuser are entitled to due process. A written complaint filed by the accuser is the basis for the charge against the accused. During the judicial process, the accuser and the accused are entitled to have the same opportunities to have witnesses present, and to be advised of the outcome of the hearing. This information includes the final determination with

respect to the alleged sexual offense and any sanctions imposed against the accused. Sanctions against the accused may include disciplinary action up to and including suspension or expulsion from the institution. University sanctions do not preclude the accuser from seeking off-campus adjudication through the criminal justice system.

Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act (CSCPA). The Disclosure of Education Records Concerning Registered Sex Offenders is permitted under FERPA (20 U.S.C. Sec 1232g); and the Wetterling Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 14071). Interested persons can check the registered sex offender files by accessing the New Jersey Sex Offender Registry operated by the New Jersey State Police. Address follows: http://www.njsp.org/info/reg_sexoffend.html

Further Information

Further information concerning the Department of Public Safety and its services can be obtained by calling our Administrative Office at 856-256-4570. The following telephone lines are recorded: 4911, 4922, and parking services.

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Dispatch Center: 856-256-4911

Business Information:: 856-256-4922

Administrative Offices: 856-256-4570

Crime Prevention: 856-256-4933

Parking Services: 856-256-4575

Environmental Health & Safety: 856-256-4567

Counseling Center: 856-256-4222

Dean of Students Office (Victim Assistance for Sexual Assault Offenses) 856-256-4040

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