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Welcome To The University And Our Department



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Welcome to the University Police / Public Safety Department at William Paterson University of New Jersey.

Providing a safe and secure community is the highest priority of the men and women who serve as members of the Public Safety Department. Staffed by Police, Security Officers, Student Patrol and other support personnel, the Department of Public Safety provides a variety of services and employs measures intended to enhance the safety of the University community. Members of the Department are committed to working together with faculty, students and staff to maintain the quality of life and high degree of security and safety enjoyed at William Paterson University.

By thumbing through the pages of this newsletter, you will be able to learn valuable information about public safety and the related programs provided to the campus. Please review the pages and familiarize yourself with this information. We invite you to take advantage of the services provided.

The University's 2006 Annual Security Report is also in this newsletter. It is intended to comply with the Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. This report includes statistics for the three calendar years preceding the report date (in this case, 2005, 2004 and 2003 calendar years) for crimes reported to law enforcement officials and to public safety authorities that have reportedly occurred on campus, on adjacent public property, and in or on a non-campus building or property that is used by groups recognized by the University. A copy of this report can be obtained at the Department of Public Safety Building.

The statistics may include duplications, in that some incidents reported to non-law enforcement officials also may have been reported to law enforcement agencies. Additionally, these statistics may include reports of incidents that were later discovered to be unfounded or some that were dismissed.

Any questions about safety on campus can be directed to the Department of Public Safety at 973.720.2200. To report an incident, please call 973.720.2301. If you are experiencing an emergency, dial 911 from any campus phone or use the Emergency Blue Light telephones located around campus. We urge you to review additional information on our website (<http://ww2.wpunj.edu/police/>) and join us in our efforts to further improve the security and safety at William Paterson University.

In the Long Brave and Proud Thin Blue Line, I Remain,

Cordially,

Michael A. Horvath,
Chief of Operations
Assistant Vice President of Transportation,
Public Safety & Emergency Management

To Contact the Department:

- 720-2301 For Emergencies.
- 720-2300 For Non-Emergencies.
- 720-2200 For Office Information Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- 720-3004 Community Policing, Student Patrol, and foot escort service.
- 720-3006 For Police Reports, Monday-Friday, 8:30 am.-4:30 p.m.
- 720-3001 Parking and Violations, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
- 720-3203 Transportation Services, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- 720-3846 Detective Bureau, Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. Saturday-Sunday 3:00 p.m. -11:00 p.m.
- <http://ww2.wpunj.edu/police/>
- Note if calling from a campus phone dial only the last four digits of the phone number.

Location: The Department of Public Safety is located on East Road in the Haledon section of campus. The building is approximately 100 yards south of Parking Lot 2 and directly across from the Maintenance and Facilities offices. **We are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year.**

Crime Prevention Tips

William Paterson University is an academic community of nearly 12,000 people. The campus covers 456 acres of land in three different municipalities: Wayne, Haledon and North Haledon. As in all communities, crime is a potential threat to any member of the University community.

To help reduce vulnerability to crime, you should consistently practice preventive measures.

1. Be aware that you are a potential victim of crime.

2. Immediately notify the University Police Department if any person(s) or activity arouses your suspicion.

3. Protect yourself when walking.

- Avoid walking alone at night unless absolutely necessary.
- Keep to well-lit, commonly traveled routes.
- Avoid shortcuts and dark isolated areas.
- Walk purposefully, know where you are going, and project a no-nonsense image.
- Avoid potentially dangerous situations.
- Have your door keys ready; carry them in your pocket, not buried in your purse.
- Park under parking lot lights.

4. Protect yourself in your room.

- Lock your door, even when you intend to return shortly, or even if you are just going down the hall. It takes a thief 10 seconds or less to enter an open room and steal your property.
- Keep emergency numbers by your phone.
- Lock or secure doors and windows when you are alone or asleep.
- Do not leave messages on your door indicating that you are away and when you will return.
- Do not let strangers enter the resident hall or premises.
- Do not lend out your keys.
- Do not prop open outer doors.
- Do not put your address or license plate number on your key ring.

5. Protect your auto.

- Always lock your car. (One out of five stolen cars were left with keys in the ignition.)
- Do not leave tempting valuables or property visible inside the car. Lock these items in the trunk.

Protect yourself in your room. Lock your door, even when you intend to return shortly, or even if you are just going down the hall.

6. Protect yourself when driving.

- Look into your car before getting in. Lock doors and roll up windows once inside for protection.
- Never pick up hitchhikers.
- Carry change for emergency calls.
- Drive to a police or fire station or an open place of business if you feel you are being followed.
- Do not stop to help the occupants of disabled vehicles. Continue driving to the nearest phone and call for assistance for them.

7. Do not leave property unattended.

- Do not leave property unattended in residence hallways, libraries, dining halls, academic buildings, offices, etc.
- Record the make, serial number and model of all valuables and engrave them with your driver's license number. This will increase the chances that any items recovered can be returned to you. Engravers are available at the Residence Life Offices. Personal Inventory forms are also available.

Sexual Offender Registration

The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act of 2000 is a federal law that provides for the tracking of convicted sex offenders enrolled at, or employed by institutions of higher education. The Act requires sex offenders already required to register in a State to provide notice, under State law to each institution of higher education in that State at which the person is employed, carries on a vocation or is a student.

For information regarding Megan's Law in the State of New Jersey and to search the New Jersey Sex Offender

Internet Registry, visit http://w.njsp.org/info/reg_sexoffend.html.

For information on how to register if you are a convicted sex offender, contact the William Paterson University Police Department Detective Bureau for instructions.

Crime Victim's Bill of Rights

- To be treated with dignity and compassion by the criminal justice system;
- To be informed about the criminal justice process;
- To be free from intimidation;
- To have inconveniences associated with participation in the criminal justice process minimized to the fullest extent possible;
- To make at least one telephone call, provided the call is reasonable in both length and location called;
- To medical assistance if, in the judgment of the law enforcement agency, medical assistance appears necessary;
- To be notified if presence in court is not needed;
- To be informed about available remedies, financial assistance and social services;
- To be compensated for their loss whenever possible;
- To be provided a secure, but not necessarily separate, waiting area during court proceedings;
- To be advised of case progress and final disposition;
- To the prompt return of property when no longer needed as evidence;
- To submit a written statement about the impact of the crime to a representative of the county prosecutor's office before a final decision is made by that office whether or not to file criminal charges;
- To make, prior to sentencing, a statement in person and directly to the sentencing court concerning the impact of the crime.

Crime Prevention Programs

The Community Police Division will conduct presentations to student, faculty and staff groups upon request. Topics include "Crime Prevention and Personal Safety," "Date Rape" and "Fire Safety Tips". Pamphlets and hand-outs also are available on "Vandalism," "First Aid", "Fire Safety" and "Driving While Intoxicated: NJ State Driving Guidelines."

Crime prevention surveys are conducted on a regular basis. These surveys include registering and securing office equipment such as computers, monitors, laptops, etc. If you have any questions contact the Community Police Division at 973.720.3004

Crime Victim/Witness Services

The William Paterson University Depart-

ment of Public Safety strives to treat all crime victims and witnesses with dignity and compassion, and to protect their rights as enumerated in the New Jersey Crime Victim/Witness Bill of Rights. The department provides information, services and referrals designed to minimize the confusion and inconvenience that some people associate with the criminal justice system.

Community Service Program

The department also participates in a community service program offered by the courts and the office of the Dean of Student Development. In this program, persons charged with certain violations of the law or university regulations may be permitted to perform service to the university community in order to satisfy their

obligations to the court.

Counseling, Health and Wellness Center

They assist students in their academic experience and their personal and professional goals, by offering personal counseling and health care services. The **Counseling Center** is located in Morrison Hall room 115. The telephone number is 973.720.2257. Twenty four/seven days a week emergency/ crisis intervention is available by calling. The **Wellness Center** is located in the Science Building room 104. The telephone number is 973.720.2360. Please call ahead to make an appointment. For emergencies call Campus Police at 973.720.2301, or St. Joseph's Wayne Hospital at 973.956.3300

William Paterson University has a very positive and safe environment, however incidents do occur . Do not continue to be a victim by failing to report an assault.

If you are sexually assaulted:

- Report the assault to the University Police as soon as possible by calling 720-2301. The University Police have officers specially trained in sexual assault investigations.

- Preserve **all** physical evidence. Do not wash, shower, eat, use the toilet or change clothing. If you must change your clothes, put all your clothing in a paper bag, not plastic.

- University Police ensures that you will receive medical attention. A medical examination provides you with necessary treatments and collects important evidence. Injuries may not be immediately apparent.

- The University Police notifies the Dean of Student Development. The Dean contacts a counselor who provides support, assistance, advocacy and information for the victim.

The University Police and counselors maintain confidentiality, help explain your options, give you information and provide emotional support.

Should you wish to contact support services, the following centers are available:

Sexual Assaults

W.P.U. Woman's Center:
973-720-2946

W.P.U. Health and Wellness Center
973-720-2360

Statewide Domestic Violence Hotline:
1-800-572-7233

New Jersey Division on Women:
1-609-292-8840

Passaic County Rape Crisis Center:
973-881-1450

Sexual Assault Victim's Bill Of Rights

The State of New Jersey recognizes that the impact of violence on its victims and the surrounding community can be severe and long lasting. Thus, it has established this Bill of Rights 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. Campus sexual assault victims are entitled to the following under the Bill of Rights:

- The right to have allegations of sexual assaults treated seriously;
- The right to be treated with dignity;
- The right to be treated for injuries inflicted in the assault;
- The right to have sexual assaults investigated and adjudicated by the appropriate authorities with the full and prompt cooperation and assistance of campus personnel;
- The right to be free from pressure from campus personnel to report or refrain from reporting crimes, or to report crimes as lesser offenses than the victims perceive the crimes to be;
- The same right to legal assistance and to have others present, that the accused is entitled to have during any campus disciplinary proceeding involving the accused;
- The right to be notified of the outcome of any disciplinary proceeding against the accused.

The complete Sexual Assault Victim's Bill of Rights for William Paterson University can be found in the Student Handbook.

"Students are urged to report all assaults to the University Police as soon as possible."

How to report a Crime, Emergency or Suspicious Activity

1. Give your name, address and phone number .
2. Report why you are calling.
3. Request medical assistance, if needed.
4. Provide as many details as possible.
 - Description of the activity being observed;
 - Description of the person(s) involved;
 - Location in which the person(s) were last seen or the direction in

- which they were traveling;
- Description of any motor vehicle involved;
 - Information regarding presence of any weapons.
5. Stay on the phone until released by the officer receiving your call.

Remember: Be calm, speak slowly and obtain the names and addresses of any witnesses.

It is imperative that all crime and suspi-

cious activity be reported to the University Police promptly. By working together, the University community and the police can reduce crime on campus. All reports of criminal activities or emergencies are handled by the appropriate public safety staff personnel. You may report criminal activities or other emergencies 24 hours a day seven days a week to the University Police Dept. at 973.720.2301.

Crime Reporting Statistics

In Compliance with the Jeanne Clery Act

Compiled by the William Paterson University Department of Public Safety for January 2003-December 2005

Classifications	2003	LOCATION	2004	LOCATION	2005	LOCATION
Homicide	0		0		0	
Robbery	4	1-D, 3-P	0		1	1-D
Aggravated Assault	2	1-D, 1-P	3	1-D, 2-P	0	
Burglary	43	32-D, 2-B, 9-P	48	29-D, 19-B	50	44-D, 6-B
M.V. Theft	6	6-PL	1	1-PL	4	3-PL, 1-PL attempt
Weapons	4	4-PL (arrests)	0		0	
Drug	85	19-D, 7-P, all arrested. 50-D, 9-P, all referred for student discipline.	27	9-D, arrested 18-D, referred for student discipline.	20	2-D, 2-P, arrested 14-D, 2-P, referred for student discipline.
Arson	0		0		0	
D.W.I. (Arrests)	8	4-UR, 4PL	6	3-UR, 3-PL	2	2-UR
Liquor Laws	37	4-D, 5-P, all arrested 15-D, 13-P, all referred for student discipline	• 104	102-D, 2-PL, all referred for student discipline	146	6-D, arrested. 140-D, referred for student discipline
Forcible Sex Offenses	3	2-D, 1B	1	1-D	2	1-D, 1- not reported to police••
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	0		0		0	
Hate Crimes	0		0		0	
Hate Crimes Involving Bodily Injury	0		0		0	

D – Dorm, B – Building, P – Property, PL – Parking Lot, UR – University Roadway

• Increase largely due to a stricter reporting standard enforced by residence life. •• Not reported to police

* Some information in this report is reported by university departments with no police involvement therefore no police action may have been taken. Copies of the statistical report are available at the Department of Public Safety Headquarters located on East Road and adjacent to the Maintenance/Facilities building in the Haledon section of the campus. This information may be obtained Monday – Friday during working hours or by sending a self addressed stamped envelope to:

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 Department of Public Safety
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