

11.
PUBLIC SAFETY
DATA & ANALYSIS

I. University Police Department

The mission of the University of Florida Police Department (UPD) is to preserve a safe, secure campus environment where diverse social, cultural and academic values are allowed to develop and prosper through a combination of reactive, proactive and educational law enforcement services. The department provides a full range of police services including, but not limited to, investigating all crimes committed in its jurisdiction, making arrests, providing crime prevention and community service programs, victim services, enforcing traffic laws, and providing crowd control and safety functions for campus special events. University police are declared to be law enforcement officers of the state and conservators of the peace and have the right to arrest, in accordance with the laws of this state, any person for violation of state law or applicable county when such violations occur on or within 1,000 feet of any property or facilities that are under the guidance, supervision, regulation, or control of the state university, a direct-support organization of such university, or any other organization controlled by the state university, or when such violations occur within a specified jurisdictional area as agreed upon in a mutual aid agreement entered into with a law enforcement agency pursuant to s. [23.1225\(1\)](#) Florida Statutes. Arrest may be made off campus when hot pursuit originates on or within 1,000 feet of any such property or facilities, or as agreed upon in accordance with the mutual aid agreement. The department has mutual aid agreements with the Gainesville Police Department, Alachua County Sheriff's Office, and Santa Fe College Police Department. The department maintains a close liaison with local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies in implementing and coordinating campus law enforcement operations. The UPD also maintains very close working relationships with the Dean of Students Office, Department of Housing and Residence Life, Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution, Student Government, Office of Sorority and Fraternity Affairs, Facilities Services, Transportation and Parking Services, University Counseling and Wellness Center and many other campus and non-campus organizations.

A. University Crime Statistics

The following statistics, provided in compliance with the *Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act)*, are compiled and released annually by the UPD. They include all reports of the following offenses received by the UPD. The offense types are those designated by the *Clery Act* which have been reported to campus law enforcement officials and Campus Security Authorities (CSAs). CSAs are defined as University of Florida officials who have significant responsibility for student and campus activities, including but not limited to, student activities, student housing, student athletics, and student judicial and discipline proceedings. UPD maintains a daily Crime Log and a searchable map of crimes that occur on UF property on its website.

The tables below include the total number of crimes reported to UPD that occurred on-campus buildings or property, at non-campus buildings or properties, and on public properties, as defined by the *Clery Act*.

On Campus and Total Crimes Reported by University Police Department, 2015 – 2018

Offense Type	On Campus Building or Property								Total Crimes Reported			
	2015		2016		2017		2018		2015	2016	2017	2018
	Res	Tot	Res	Tot	Res	Tot	Res	Tot				
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	12	16	12	20	11	17	8	16	18	22	17	16
Fondling	1	2	0	3	1	2	0	5	2	3	2	5
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	4	0	2	1	3	0	2	8	3	5	3
Aggravated Assault	0	6	2	6	1	7	3	14	14	13	14	22
Burglary	4	21	5	22	7	18	8	29	28	28	21	31
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	12	0	23	0	21	0	26	22	25	23	29
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Crimes												
Domestic Violence	4	14	3	6	1	17	3	14	20	11	20	14
Dating Violence	3	9	5	14	3	11	3	5	12	15	12	5
Stalking	2	8	1	11	2	9	2	19	8	13	9	19
Number of Arrests/Referrals – Select Offenses												
Liquor Law Violations												
Arrest	7	68	2	55	5	30	3	36	92	74	32	36
Referral	268	284	209	222	131	143	99	99	286	222	143	99
Drug Law Violations												
Arrest	20	84	21	117	22	80	24	64	127	144	131	77
Referral	12	33	15	31	2	3	12	20	33	31	3	22
Weapons Law Violations												
Arrest	0	8	1	4	0	8	1	1	9	7	10	3
Referral	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Source: UPD publication "Together for a Safe Campus, 2019."

Crimes Reported by University Police Department, Off-campus or on Public Property, 2015-2018

Offense Type	Non-Campus Building or Property				On Public Property			
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2015	2016	2017	2018
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	4	1	2	1
Aggravated Assault	4	7	0	0	4	0	7	8
Burglary	7	6	3	2	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	10	2	1	1	0	0	1	2
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Crimes								
Domestic Violence	6	4	0	0	0	1	3	0
Dating Violence	1	0	0	0	2	1	1	0
Stalking	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Number of Arrests/Referrals – Select Offenses								
Liquor Law Violations								
Arrest	7	7	0	0	17	12	2 0	0
Referral	2	0	0	0	0	0		0
Drug Law Violations								
Arrest	0	4	1	1	43	23	50	12
Referral	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Weapons Law Violations								
Arrest	1	1	0	0	0	2	2	2
Referral	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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II. Department of Emergency Management

Central to the University’s overall operation is the safety of students, faculty, staff and visitors. This effort is the core purpose of the University of Florida’s Department of Emergency Management (UFDEM). The Department’s mission is building and sustaining a comprehensive, all-hazards approach by providing the institution with a framework of preparedness through prevention, protection, mitigation, response and recovery. Florida Board of Governors regulation 3.001 compels the development and maintenance of an emergency management program and comprehensive emergency management plan for the University. UFDEM organizes the structure allowing the University to collectively address major incidents and emergencies – striving to safeguard University lives and property. Close working relationships are developed with stakeholders across the institution including Strategic Communications and Marketing, Division of Student Affairs, Human Resource Services, Health Affairs, Business Services, Facility Services and especially the Police Department along with other units. Communication and coordination is facilitated with outside partners including Alachua County Emergency

Management, Florida Division of Emergency Management and Shands Safety and Security Office. UFDEM actively participates in several Alachua County Emergency Management efforts including the Local Mitigation Strategy Task Force, County Emergency Response Team and post-disaster redevelopment planning. The University is a signatory of the Florida Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement.

III. Environmental Health and Safety Office

The Environmental Health and Safety Office (EH&S) also has a role in preserving public safety on campus by coordinating the use and safe disposal of chemicals, biological agents and radioactive materials. Compliance with building and fire code requirements is assured by the EHS operated building codes program. All new construction and renovations are tracked through the issuance of required building permits and associated construction inspections.

IV. On-campus Fire Alarm Response.

The UPD also assists in coordinating on-campus fire alarm response. For all campus locations, a UPD officer is dispatched upon receipt of an alarm. If the officer can determine in a limited time period that the alarm activated falsely, then our police dispatch will not place a call to the Gainesville Fire Rescue department. The delay between alarm activation and issuance of the notice for emergency forces assistance is limited to that allowed by the Life Safety Code (NFPA 101) criteria. As specified in this code, the University provides immediate notification to emergency forces for alarms in housing and medical units. The UPD and EH&S Office work together on the university's alarm analysis and action function. The fire safety unit located in EH&S receives the same alarm activation information as the police dispatch unit. An activation analysis report is obtained for all alarm activations. This information is analyzed to determine frequency and cause of activation. This allows the university to separate alarm system maintenance needs from those activations resulting from human tampering/malicious actions and in turn initiate the appropriate mitigation action. Over time, the program has increased interagency coordination and reduced the need for Gainesville Fire Rescue to respond to on-campus fire alarms.