



Compliance Alerts!

October 2022: The Clery Act

What is the Clery Act?

The Clery Act requires colleges and universities to report campus crime data, support victims of violence, and publicly outline the policies and procedures they have put into place to improve campus safety.

The Clery Act is a consumer protection law that aims to provide transparency around campus crime policy and statistics. To comply with Clery Act requirements, colleges and universities must understand what the law entails, where their responsibilities lie, and what they can do to actively foster campus safety. You can read the full text of the Clery Act at the Federal Register [here](#).

Annual Security and Fire Safety Report

The [Annual Security and Fire Safety Report](#) describes the guidelines, policies, programs, and practices the University has implemented to address the safety and security of the campus.

- Crime statistics for the previous three years (2019- 2021) concerning reported crimes that occurred on-campus, in certain non-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by the University; and on public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from campus.
- Fire Safety Report, which contains statistics for the reported fires in University housing units and fire safety systems in these buildings.
- Policies and information concerning fire safety and reporting procedures.

Clery Crime Categories

The University must report four distinct categories of crime in the annual report.

Criminal Offenses

- Criminal homicide: murder and non-negligent manslaughter, manslaughter by negligence
- Sexual assault: rape, fondling, incest, statutory rape
- Robbery
- Aggravated assault
- Burglary
- Motor vehicle theft
- Arson

Hate Crimes (any of the above-mentioned offenses, and any incidents of)

- Larceny-theft
- Simple assault

- Intimidation
- Destruction/damage/vandalism of property

VAWA Offenses

- Domestic violence
- Dating violence
- Stalking

Arrests and Referrals for Disciplinary Action

- Weapons law violations
- Drug abuse violations
- Liquor law violations

Timely Warnings and Emergency Notifications

When a crime covered by the Clery Act occurs, campus officials are required to evaluate if there is a serious or ongoing threat to the campus community to determine if a timely warning needs to be issued to all staff and students. In the event of an immediate, significant danger to the health or safety of the campus community (e.g., weather, disease outbreak), campus officials may issue an emergency notification. This notification can include the entire campus or be limited to a specific area deemed to be at risk.

Missing Residential Student Notification

The University has enacted policies and procedures to handle reports of missing residential students. The Missing Residential Student Notification process is intended to minimize delays and confusion during the initial stages of a missing student investigation. The [Missing Residential Student Notification](#) policy designates how to report that a student living in on-campus housing has been missing for 24 hours or more.

Student Travel Notification

Fayetteville State University organizes and sponsors numerous off-campus activities involving students. The [Student Travel](#) policy applies to University sponsored/organized travel involving enrolled undergraduate and graduate students. At least one Responsible University Employee must accompany students on any organized/sponsored activity. A Responsible University Employee must complete an Authorization for Student Travel form and submit it to the Approving Administrators for approval.

The University is required to disclose statistics for Clery crimes that occur during university-sponsored off-campus overnight trips. To meet this requirement, the Responsible University Employee must submit a copy of their completed the Authorization for Student Travel Form to the Clery Compliance Officer for all overnight trips. Please contact the University's Clery Compliance Officer at 910-672-2462 or email at tlloyd8@uncfsu.edu for more information.

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