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## GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT PURCHASE COLLEGE

### ABOUT PURCHASE COLLEGE:

Governor Nelson Rockefeller founded “SUNY Purchase” in 1967 as the cultural center of the State University of New York’s network of 64 universities and colleges. He envisioned a singular campus—a creative and intellectual laboratory—where conservatory training in the visual, performing, and theatre arts would coexist with programs in the liberal arts and sciences creating an environment where each informed and inspired the other. Today, with a full-time student population of approximately 4,200, Purchase College, SUNY is a community of students, faculty, and friends where open-minded engagement with the creative process leads to a lifetime of intellectual growth and professional opportunity.



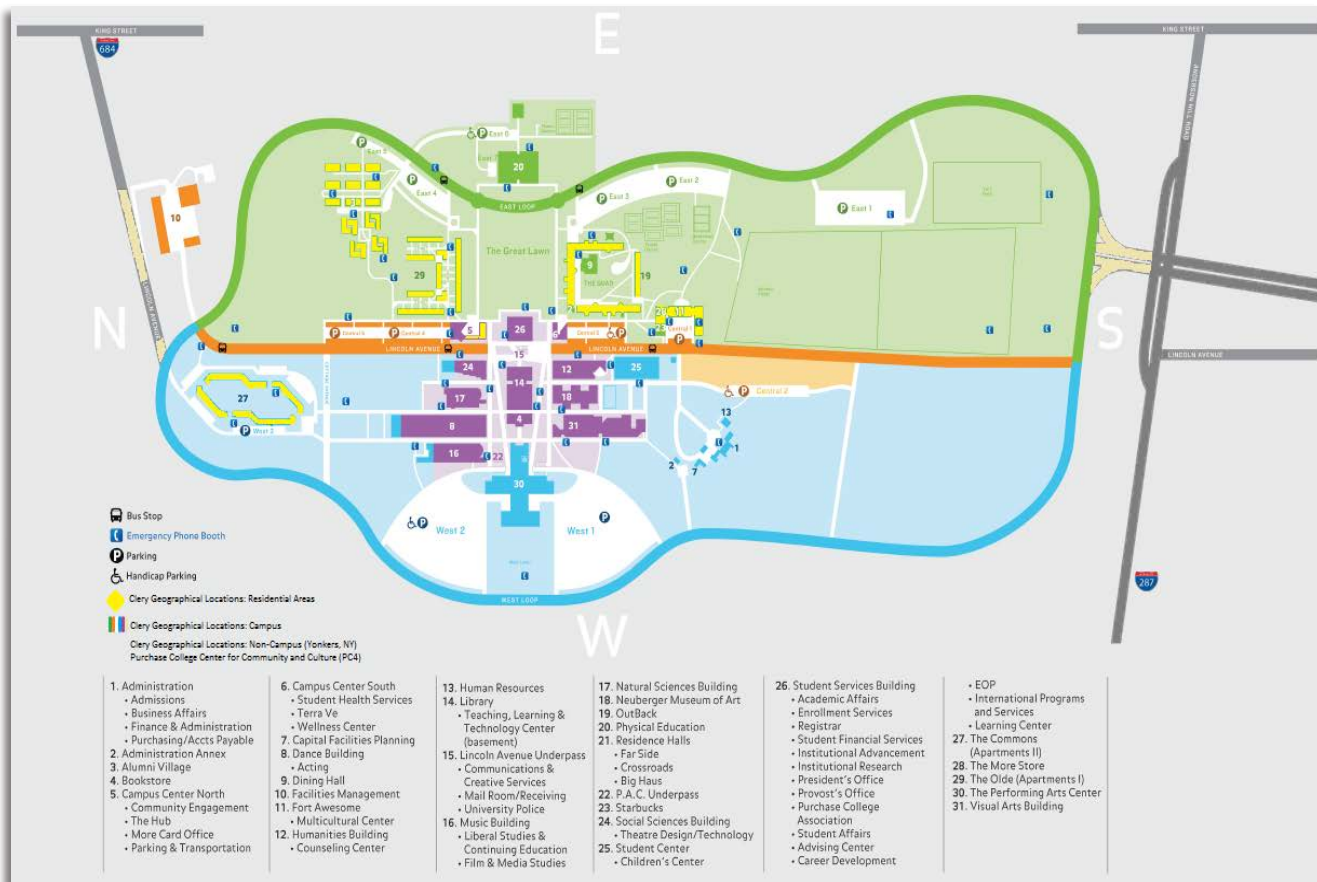
### NEW YORK STATE UNIVERSITY POLICE

At Purchase, the safety and wellbeing of students, faculty, staff, and visitors is of highest concern. On duty 24/7, we are committed to keeping our campus safe and secure. However, a truly safe campus can only be achieved thorough the cooperation of all members of the campus community. The Campus Security Report helps to ensure this collaborative endeavor is effective and in compliance with the federal Student Right-to-Know and Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990 and The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1998.



## CAMPUS CRIME STATISTICS

Under the Clery Act campuses are required to report campus crime statistics for certain offenses, hate crimes, arrests and disciplinary referrals to the campus judicial process. In all cases this data must be broken down according to the geographic location of the occurrence of the offense. These locations are defined as the campus “**Clery Geography**” under the Act.



## CLERY GEOGRAPHY

### ON CAMPUS:

Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area and used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the institution's educational purposes, including residence halls; and

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institution's educational purposes, including residence halls; and Any building or property that is within or reasonably contiguous to paragraph (1) of this definition, that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, is frequently used by students, and supports institutional purposes (such as a food or other retail vendor).

**ON CAMPUS – IN RESIDENTIAL HALLS:**

“Dormitories or other residential facilities for students on campus” is a subset of the on-campus category. Institutions must disclose the total number of on-campus crimes, including those in dorms or other residential facilities for students on campus, and must also make a separate disclosure limited to the number of crimes occurring in student dorms or residential facilities on campus. As a subset, the number of crimes reported for dormitories or other residential facilities must be less than or equal to the number of reported crimes for the on-campus category.

**NON-CAMPUS BUILDING OR PROPERTY:**

Any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the institution; or

Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution that is used in direct support of, or in relation to, the institution's educational purposes, is frequently used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution.

**ON PUBLIC PROPERTY:**

All public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that is within the campus, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.



**DISPLAYED BELOW IS THE CLERY CRIME STATISTICS GRID:**

OFFENSE:	ON CAMPUS				RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES				NON-CAMPUS				PUBLIC PROPERTY		
	2016	2015	2014		2016	2015	2014		2016	2015	2014		2015	2014	2013
MURDER/NON-NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	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
RAPE	4	3	2		4	3	2		1	0	0		0	0	0
FORCIBLE TOUCHING	1	4	4		1	4	2		0	0	0		0	0	0
STATUTORY	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
INCEST	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
BURGLARY (INCL ATTEMPTED)	18	11	27		18	9	22		0	0	0		0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	1	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
ARSON (INCL ATTEMPTED)	1	0	0		1	1	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
LIQUOR LAW ARRESTS	0	0	9		0	0	1		0	0	0		0	0	0
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS REFERRED FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION	43	32	105		34	10	67		0	0	1		0	0	0
DRUG LAW ARREST	3	5	10		0	2	5		1	1	0		0	0	0
DRUG LAW VIOLATIONS REFERRED FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION	54	82	88		36	71	60		2	3	3		0	0	0
ILLEGAL WEAPONS REFERRED FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION	2	1	0		2	1	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
ILLEGAL WEAPONS POSSESSION ARRESTS	1	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0
HATE CRIME – BIAS	2	3	0		2	3	0		1	2	1		0	0	0
DATING VIOLENCE	4	13	22		3	10	11		0	0	0		0	0	0
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	1	2	2		1	1	1		0	0	0		0	0	0
STALKING	0	5	0		0	2	0		1	0	0		0	0	0
UNFOUNDED	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0

**Hate Crimes for Non Campus (Rockland Community College- Suffern, Main Campus):**

All reported are crimes of Vandalism-Property Damage. 2016-Race, 2015-Religion and 2014-Religion

## NON-CAMPUS LOCATIONS:

### ROCKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE EXTENSION (Main Campus-Suffern)



For students who live in Rockland County who want to take a course close to home, or for those who are working full-time and need an evening course close to their jobs, RCC can be an ideal way to complete a bachelor's degree through Purchase College.

<http://www.sunyrockland.edu/campus-life/public-safety/annual-safety-and-security-report>



PC4Y is a 4,000-square-foot multi-use cultural space in downtown Yonkers, created for community engagement with a mission to drive social impact and relevance centering on how artists, designers, scholars, students, and local organizations can act as agents of urban recovery, cultural development, and community empowerment.

<https://www.purchase.edu/academics/arts/pc4y/>





## **CRIMINAL “CLERY” OFFENSES**

### **HIERARCHIAL OFFENSES:**

The following criminal offenses are reportable offenses under the Clery Act for the Purchase College Campus. Hierarchical offenses are listed a single time for each location category under the most serious offense committed. On campus statistics include both incidents reported to police and those reported to non-police officials and may therefore contain multiple entries for the same incident.

### **NON- HIERARCHIAL OFFENSES:**

Non-hierarchical offenses are counted each time one of the offenses is reported for each location category under the most serious offense committed. If a single incident includes multiple non-hierarchical offenses the incident will be counted for each count of each offense (and potentially once again if a hierarchical offense is also reported).

### **HATE OFFENSE STATISTICS:**

**2014** - 0 reports of hate/bias offenses. **2015** - 3 reports of hate/bias crimes.

**2016** - 2 reports of hate/bias crimes.

### **AGGRAVATED ASSAULT:**

An unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm.

### **ARSON:**

Any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

### **BURGLARY:**

The unlawful entry into a building or other structure with the intent to commit a felony or a theft.

### **CRIME OR A PUBLIC OFFENSE:**

An act committed or omitted in violation of a law forbidding or commanding it, and to which is annexed, upon conviction, either of the following punishments: death; imprisonment; fine; removal from office; or disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust, or profit in this State.

### **DRUG ABUSE:**

Violations of laws prohibiting the production, distribution and/or use of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their preparation and/or use.

**FORCIBLE SEX OFFENSES:**

- **FONDLING:** The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or, not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/ her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

- **RAPE:** Penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim.

**HATE CRIME:** A crime reported to local police agencies or to a campus security authority that manifests evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the perpetrators bias against the victim. For the purposes of this section, the categories of bias include the victims actual or perceived race, religion, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, ethnicity, national origin and disability.

**LARCENY – THEFT:** The unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another.

**LIQUOR-LAW VIOLATION:** Violations of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, purchase, transportation, possession or use of alcoholic beverages.

**MURDER AND NON-NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER:** The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

**NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER:** The killing of another person through gross negligence.

**NON-CAMPUS:** Any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the institution.

**NON - FORCIBLE SEX OFFENSES:**

- **INCEST:** Non-forcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

- **STATUTORY RAPE:** Non-forcible sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:** Violent misdemeanor and felony offenses committed by the victim's current or former spouse, current or former cohabitant, person similarly situated under domestic or family violence law, or anyone else protected under domestic or family violence law.

**DATING VIOLENCE:** Is violence committed by a person who has been in a romantic or intimate relationship with the victim. Whether there was such relationship will be gauged by its length, type, and frequency of interaction.

**STALKING:** a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for her, his, or others' safety, or to suffer substantial emotional distress.

**PUBLIC PROPERTY:** All public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that is within the campus, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

**ROBBERY:** The taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.

**VEHICLE THEFT:** The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle.

**WEAPONS:** Violations of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices or other deadly weapons.



## NEW YORK STATE LAW DEFINITIONS

**CONSENT:** Lack of consent results from: forcible compulsion; or incapacity to consent; or where the offense charged is sexual abuse or forcible touching, any circumstances, in addition to forcible compulsion or incapacity to consent, in which the victim does not expressly or impliedly acquiesce in the actor's conduct. Where the offense charged is rape in the third degree, a criminal sexual act in the third degree, or forcible compulsion in circumstances under which, at the time of the act of intercourse, oral sexual conduct or anal sexual conduct, the victim clearly expressed that he or she did not consent to engage in such act, and a reasonable person in the actor's situation would have understood such person's words and acts as an expression of lack of consent to such act under all the circumstances. A person is incapable of consent when he or she is: less than 17 years old; or mentally disabled; or mentally incapacitated; or physically helpless; or committed to the care and custody of the state department of correctional services, a hospital, the office of children and family services and is in residential care, or the other person is a resident or inpatient of a residential facility operated by the office of mental health, the office for people with development disabilities, or the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services, and the actor is an employee, not married to such person, who knows or reasonably should know that such person is committed to the care and custody of such department or hospital.

**CONSENT, ABBREVIATED:** Clear, unambiguous, and voluntary agreement between the participating to engage in specific sexual activity.

**DATING VIOLENCE:** New York State does not specifically define "dating violence." However, under New York Law, intimate relationships are covered by the definition of domestic violence when the act constitutes a crime listed elsewhere in this document and is committed by a person in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. Dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or threat of abuse. It does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence. See "Family or Household Member" for definition of "intimate relationship."

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:** An act which would constitute a violation of the penal law, including, but not limited to acts constituting disorderly conduct, harassment, aggravated harassment, sexual misconduct, forcible touching, sexual abuse, stalking, criminal mischief, menacing, reckless endangerment, kidnapping, assault, attempted murder, criminal obstruction or breaching or blood circulation, or strangulation; and such acts have created a substantial risk of physical or emotional harm to a person or a person's child. Such acts are alleged to have been committed by a family member. The victim can be anyone over the age of sixteen, any married person or any parent accompanied by his or her minor child or children in situations in which such person or such person's child is a victim of the act.



**FAMILY OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBER:** Person's related by consanguinity or affinity; Persons legally married to one another; Person formerly married to one another regardless of whether they still reside in the same household; Persons who have a child in common regardless of whether such persons are married or have lived together at any time; Unrelated persons who are continually or at regular intervals living in the same household or who have in the past continually or at regular intervals lived in the same household; Persons who are not related by consanguinity or affinity and who are or have been in an intimate relationship regardless of whether such persons have lived together at any time. Factors that may be considered in determining whether a relationship is an "intimate relationship" include, but are not limited to: the nature or type of relationship regardless of whether the relationship is sexual in nature; the frequency of interaction between the persons; and the duration of the relationship. Neither a casual acquaintance nor ordinary fraternization between two individuals in business or social contexts shall be deemed to constitute an "intimate relationship"; any other category of individuals deemed to be a victim of domestic violence as defined by the office of children and family services in regulation. Intimate relationship status shall be applied to teens, lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender, and elderly individuals, current and formerly married and/or dating heterosexual individuals who were, or are in an intimate relationship.

**PARENT:** Means natural or adoptive parent or any individual lawfully charged with a minor child's care or custody.

**SEXUAL ASSAULT:** New York State does not specifically define sexual assault. However, according to the Federal Regulations, sexual assault includes offenses that meet the definitions of rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape as used in the FBI's UCR program.

**SEX OFFENSES; LACK OF CONSENT:** Whether or not specifically stated, it is an element of every offense defined in this article that the sexual act was committed without consent of the victim.

**SEXUAL MISCONDUCT:** When a person (1) engages in sexual intercourse with another person without such person's consent; or (2) engages in oral sexual conduct or anal sexual conduct without such person's consent; or (3) engages in sexual conduct with an animal or a dead human body.

**RAPE IN THE THIRD DEGREE:** When a person (1) engages in sexual intercourse with another person who is incapable of consent by reason of some factor other than being less than 17 years old; (2) Being 21 years old or more, engages in sexual intercourse with another person less than 17 years old; or (3) engages in sexual intercourse with another person without such person's consent where such lack of consent is by reason of some factor other than incapacity to consent.

**RAPE IN THE SECOND DEGREE:** When a person (1) being 18 years old or more, engages in sexual intercourse with another person less than 15 years old; or (2) engages in sexual intercourse with another person who is incapable of consent by reason of being mentally disabled or mentally incapacitated. It is an affirmative defense to the crime of rape in the second degree the defendant was less than four years older than the victim at the time of the act.

**RAPE IN THE FIRST DEGREE:** When a person engages in sexual intercourse with another person (1) by forcible compulsion; or (2) Who is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless; or (3) who is less than 11 years old; or (4) who is less than 13 years old and the actor is 18 years old or more.

**CRIMINAL SEXUAL ACT IN THE THIRD DEGREE:** When a person engages in oral or anal sexual conduct (1) with a person who is incapable of consent by reason of some factor other than being less than 17 years old; (2) being 21 years old or more, with a person less than 17 years old; (3) with another person without such persons consent where such lack of consent is by reason of some factor other than incapacity to consent.

**CRIMINAL SEXUAL ACT IN THE SECOND DEGREE:** When a person engages in oral or anal sexual conducts with another person (1) and is 18 years or more and the other person is less than 15 years old; or (2) who is incapable of consent by reason of being mentally disabled or mentally incapacitated. It is an affirmative defense that the defendant was less than four years older than the victim at the time of the act.

**CRIMINAL SEXUAL ACT IN THE FIRST DEGREE:** When a person engages in oral or anal sexual conduct with another person (1) by forcible compulsion; (2) who is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless; (3) who is less than 11 years old; or (4) who is less than 13 years old and the actor is 18 years old or more.

**FORCIBLE TOUCHING:** When a person intentionally, and for no legitimate purpose, forcibly touches the sexual or other intimate parts of another person for the purpose of degrading or abusing such person; or for the purpose of gratifying the actor's sexual desire. It includes squeezing, grabbing, or pinching.

**PERSISTENT SEXUAL ABUSE:** When a person commits a crime of forcible touching, or second or third degree sexual abuse within the previous ten-year period, has been convicted two or more times, in separate criminal transactions for which a sentence was imposed on separate occasions of one of one of the above mentioned crimes or any offense defined in this article, of which the commission or attempted commissions thereof is a felony.

**SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE THIRD DEGREE:** When a person subjects another person to sexual contact without the latter's consent. For any prosecution under this section, it is an affirmative defense that (1) such other person's lack of consent was due solely to incapacity to consent by reason of being less than 17 years old; and (2) such other person was more than 14 years old and (3) the defendant was less than five years older than such other person.

**SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE SECOND DEGREE:** When a person subjects another person to sexual contact and when such other person is (1) incapable of consent by reason of some factor other than being less than 17 years old; or (2) less than 14 years old.

**SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE FIRST DEGREE:** When a person subjects another person to sexual contact (1) by forcible compulsion; (2) when the other person is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless; or (3) when the other person is less than 11 years old; or (4) when the other person is less than 13 years old.

**AGGRAVATED SEXUAL ABUSE:** For the purposes of this section, conduct performed for a valid medical purpose does not violate the provisions of this section.

**AGGRAVATED SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE FOURTH DEGREE:** When a person inserts a (1) foreign object in the vagina, urethra, penis or rectum of another person and the other person is incapable of consent by reason of some factor other than being less than 17 years old; or (2) finger in the vagina, urethra, penis, rectum or anus of another person causing physical injury to such person and such person is incapable of consent by reason of some factor other than being less than 17 years old.

**AGGRAVATED SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE THIRD DEGREE:** When a person inserts a foreign object in the vagina, urethra, penis, rectum or anus of another person (1)(a) by forcible compulsion; (b) when the other person is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless; or (c) when the other person is less than 11 years old; or (2) causing physical injury to such person and such person is incapable of consent by reason of being mentally disabled or mentally incapacitated.

**AGGRAVATED SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE SECOND DEGREE:** When a person inserts a finger in the vagina, urethra, penis, rectum or anus of another person causing physical injury to such person by (1) forcible compulsion; or (2) when the other person is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless; or (3) when the other person is less than 11 years old.

**AGGRAVATED SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE FIRST DEGREE:** When a person subjects another person to sexual contact: (1) By forcible compulsion; or (2) when the other person is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless; or (3) when the other person is less than eleven years old; or (4) when the other person is less than thirteen years old and the actor is twenty-one years old or older.

**COURSE OF SEXUAL CONDUCT AGAINST A CHILD IN THE SECOND DEGREE:** When over a period of time, not less than three months, a person: (1) Engages in two or more acts of sexual conduct with a child less than 11 years old; or (2) being 18 years old or more engages in two or more acts of sexual conduct with a child less than 13 years old. A person may not be subsequently prosecuted for any other sexual offense involving the same victim unless the other charges offense occurred outside of the time period charged under this section.

**COURSE OF SEXUAL CONDUCT AGAINST A CHILD IN THE FIRST DEGREE:** When a person over a period of time, not less than three months in duration, a person: (1) Engages in two or more acts of sexual conduct, or aggravated sexual contact with a child less than 11 years old; or (2) being 18 years old or more engages in two or more acts of sexual conduct which includes at least one act of sexual intercourse, oral sexual conduct, anal sexual conduct, or aggravated sexual contact with a child less than 13 years old.

**FACILITATING A SEX OFFENSE WITH A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE:** A person is guilty of facilitating a sex offense with a controlled substance when he or she: (1) knowingly and unlawfully possesses a controlled substance or any preparation, compound, mixture or substance that requires a prescription to obtain and administers such substance or preparation, compound, mixture or substance that requires a prescription to obtain to another person without such person's consent and with intent to commit against such person conduct constituting a felony defined in this article; and (2) commits or attempts to commit such conduct constituting a felony defined in this article.

**INCEST IN THE THIRD DEGREE:** A person is guilty of incest in the third degree when he or she marries or engages in sexual intercourse, oral sexual conduct or anal sexual conduct with a person whom he or she knows to be related to him or her, whether through marriage or not, as an ancestor, descendant, brother or sister of either the whole or the half blood, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece.

**INCEST IN THE SECOND DEGREE:** A person is guilty of incest in the second degree when he or she commits the crime of rape in the second degree, or criminal sexual act in the second degree, against a person whom he or she knows to be related to him or her, whether through marriage or not, as an ancestor, descendant, brother or sister of either the whole or the half blood, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece.



**INCEST IN THE FIRST DEGREE:** A person is guilty of incest in the first degree when he or she commits the crime of rape in the first degree, or criminal sexual act in the first degree, against a person whom he or she knows to be related to him or her, whether through marriage or not, as an ancestor, descendant, brother or sister of either the whole or half blood, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece.

**STALKING IN THE FOURTH DEGREE:** When a person intentionally, and for not legitimate purpose, engages in a course of conduct directed at a specific person, and knows or reasonably should know that such conduct (1) is likely to cause reasonable fear of material harm to the physical health, safety or property of such person, a member of such person's immediate family or a third party with whom such person is acquainted; or (2) causes material harm to the mental or emotional health of such person, where such conduct consists of following, telephoning or initiating communication or contact with such person, a member of such person's immediate family or a third party with whom such person is acquainted, and the actor was previously clearly informed to cease that conduct; or (3) is likely to cause such person to reasonably fear that his or her employment, business or career is threatened, where such conduct consists of appearing, telephoning or initiating communication or contact at such person's place of employment or business, and the actor was previously clearly informed to cease that conduct.

**STALKING IN THE THIRD DEGREE:** When a person (1) Commits the crime of stalking in the fourth degree against any person in three or more separate transactions, for which the actor has not been previously convicted; or (2) commits the crime of stalking in the fourth degree against any person, and has previously been convicted, within the preceding ten years of a specified predicate crime and the victim of such specified predicate crime is the victim, or an immediate family member of the victim, of the present offense; or (3) with an intent to harass, annoy or alarm a specific person, intentionally engages in a course of conduct directed at such person which is likely to cause such person to reasonably fear physical injury or serious physical injury, the commission of a sex offense against, or the kidnapping, unlawful imprisonment or death of such person or a member of such person's immediate family; or (4) commits the crime of stalking in the fourth degree and has previously been convicted within the preceding ten years of stalking in the fourth degree.



**STALKING IN THE SECOND DEGREE:** When a person: (1) Commits the crime of stalking in the third degree and in the course of and furtherance of the commission of such offense: (a) displays, or possesses and threatens the use of, a firearm, pistol, revolver, rifle, sword, billy, blackjack, bludgeon, plastic knuckles, metal knuckles, chukka stick, sand bag, sand club, slingshot, shuriken, "Kung Fu Star," dagger, dangerous knife, dirk, razor, stiletto, imitation pistol, dangerous instrument, deadly instrument or deadly weapons; or (b) displays what appears to be a pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun, machine gun or other firearm; or (2) commits the crime of stalking in the third against any person, and has previously been convicted, within the preceding five years, of a specified predicate crime, and the victim of such specified predicate crime is the victim, or an immediate family member of the victim, of the present offense; or (3) commits the crime of stalking in the fourth degree and has previously been convicted of stalking in the third degree; or (4) being 21 years of age or older, repeatedly follows a person under the age of fourteen or engages in a course of conduct or repeatedly commits acts over a period of time intentionally placing or attempting to place such person who is under the age of fourteen in reasonable fear of physical injury, serious physical injury or death; or (5) commits the crime of stalking in the third degree, against ten or more persons, in ten or more separate transactions, for which the actor has not been previously convicted.

**STALKING IN THE FIRST DEGREE:** When a person commits the crime of stalking in the third degree or stalking in the second degree, and in the course and furtherance thereof, him or her intentionally or recklessly causes physical injury to the victim of such crime.

## DISCLOSURE OF POLICY STATEMENT

### PREPARING AND REPORTING THE ANNUAL DISCLOSURE OF CRIME STATISTICS

NYSUPD, in conjunction with the Office of the President, the Office of Student Affairs, Office of Human Resources, and local law enforcement agencies, prepares this report to comply fully with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act. Statistics are compiled in accordance with the Uniform Crime Reporting System of the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Campus crime, arrest and referral statistics include those reported to NYSUPD, designated campus officials (including the Title IX Investigator, members of the Office of Student Affairs, including the Office of Community Engagement, Community Standards and the Office of Human Resources), and local law enforcement entities. Crimes are reported that occur on campus, on locations that are contiguous to the campus, and buildings or properties that are either owned or controlled by a campus affiliated entity, including officially recognized student organizations. Please see the University Map located on page 5 herein for the boundaries of crime reporting in accordance with the Clery Act. Campus policy encourages every member of the campus community to report a crime promptly to the NYSUPD, other campus security authorities or in the case of sexual violence, to the Title IX Investigator. Students are also informed of their right to obtain support services by making a confidential report to the Counseling Center, Health Services or the Wellness Center. The College's voluntary confidential reporting options are offered for those who may not want to pursue action either within the federal or state criminal justice system or within the College's discipline system, but who are in need of support services. A procedure is in place to capture crimes statistics which are disclosed anonymously to NYSUPD and/or the Title IX Investigator.

Each year, an e-mail notification is made to all enrolled students, faculty and staff that provides the web site to access this report. Copies of the report may also be obtained at the Police Department Headquarters located in the Lincoln Avenue Underpass or by calling **(914) 251-6900**. All prospective students may obtain a copy by calling NYSUPD or the Office of Admissions or by visiting the web site at: <https://www.purchase.edu/offices/nysup/logs-and-records/the-jeanne-clery-disclosure-of-campus-security-policy/>

All prospective employees may obtain a copy by calling NYSUPD or the Office of Human Resources, or by visiting the above web site.

Of note, the federal Clery Act defines certain crime differently than the New York State Penal Code. For the purposes of this report, the College uses the Clery Act definitions of crimes. Please see herein for the Clery Act definitions.

## CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION



The New York State University Police Department (NYSUPD) at Purchase College is responsible for law enforcement, security, and emergency response for the campus. The department consists of: a Chief, Deputy Chief, Inspector of Community Policing & Education, 5 Lieutenants, 1 Investigator, 17 Police officers, 4 Communication Officers, 4 Community Service Officers, 1 Physical Security Specialist and 1 Administrative Assistant to the Chief.

The members of the NYSUPD are Police Officers pursuant to Section 1.20, Paragraph 34 (S) of the Criminal Procedure Law of the State of NY. In addition, the Police officers are appointed by the State University pursuant to Subdivision 2 of Section 355 of NYS Education Law. NYSUPD Officers are trained at local police academies and receive their certifications from the New York State Municipal Police Training Council. Officers also receive specialized training in first aid, defensive tactics, New York State Law, criminal investigation, victim services, and a variety of other law enforcement topics.

New York State University Police officers have full policing authority. This authority allows them to apprehend and arrest perpetrators of crime anywhere in New York State. NYSUP may arrest for crimes that include major offenses such as rape, murder, aggravated assault, robbery and auto theft to more



minor offenses such as traffic violations. Officers also have the authority to execute arrest, search and bench warrants. Officers may conduct a temporary detention and emergency search for a weapon, and accept possession of lost property. In accordance with the NYS Mental Hygiene Law officers can take into custody and transport a person likely to be a danger to himself or herself or others.,

If minor offenses involving violations of University rules and regulations are committed, including, but not limited to violations of the Student Code of Conduct, New York State University Police Department may also refer the individual to the disciplinary division of Student Affairs (office Community Standards) or the Office of Human Resources.

The New York State University Police Department works closely with local, state and federal policy agencies, and it has direct access to national and statewide computer data bases for accessing criminal history data, nationwide police records, driver/vehicle identification information as well as other law enforcement information. NYSUPD also maintains cooperative agreements with the Rye Brook Police, Harrison Police, Westchester County Police and the New York State Police relative to joint policing, investigations and enforcement to secure the safety of the Campus, and the contiguous town and village. Namely, these agreements state that NYSUPD will be primarily responsible for the investigation of crimes occurring on campus property, and the contiguous law enforcement agencies will be primarily responsible for the investigation of crimes occurring in their respective jurisdictions; the departments will cooperate with each other in such investigations.

## DAILY LOGS

NYSUPD maintains a daily log of all department activity. The log is available for viewing at the station upon request. The **Monthly Blotter** is also available for viewing at:

<https://www.purchase.edu/offices/nysup/logs-and-records/monthly-blotter/>

## **POLICY ON OFF-CAMPUS CRIMES**

When a student is involved in an off-campus offense, New York State University Police Department officers may assist with the investigation in cooperation with local, state or federal law enforcement. The New York State University Police Department communicates with the Rye Brook Police, Harrison Police, Westchester County Police and the New York State Police to track any crimes or incidents involving students. This includes but not limited to the following law enforcement agencies:

- **Harrison PD:** 914-967-5111  
650 North Street Harrison, NY 10528
- **Rye Brook PD:** 914-939-1121  
938 King Street Portchester, NY 10573
- **Port Chester PD:** 914-939-1000  
350 North Main Street #1 Portchester, NY 10573
- **White Plains PD:** 914-422-6111  
77 South Lexington Ave. White Plains, NY 10601
- **Westchester County PD:** 914-864-7700  
1 Saw Mill River Parkway Hawthorne, NY 10532
- **New York State Police:** 914-769-2600  
200 Bradhurst Ave. #2 Hawthorne, NY 10532
- **Yonkers PD:** 914-377-7900  
104 South Broadway Yonkers, NY 10701

**The College does not recognize or permit any off-campus student groups, such as fraternal groups or sporting groups, to have official off-campus property.**

## **REPORTING CRIMES AND OTHER EMERGENCIES**

Purchase College encourages accurate and prompt reporting of all crimes to the New York State University Police Department and/or appropriate police agencies if the victim of the crime elects to do so or is unable to make such a report. (This includes all on/off campus community members, students, faculty, staff and guests.)

### **Victim's options about the involvement of law enforcement and campus authorities:**

- Notify proper law enforcement authorities including on campus and local police
- Be assisted by campus authorities in notifying law enforcement authorities if the victim chooses
- Decline to notify such authorities

## TO REPORT A CRIME TO THE UNIVERSITY POLICE

On campus telephones including intercom phones dial **6911** or **911**

Emergency Blue Light Telephones pick up receiver or press button/dialed automatically

Other telephones, including cell phones dial **914-251-6911**

## CRIMES ALSO CAN BE REPORTED PERSONALLY TO THE NYSUPD HEADQUARTERS, 24 HOURS A DAY.

The New York State University Police Department is located in the Lincoln Ave underpass below the Library.

## TO REPORT A LESS SERIOUS INCIDENT:

The Office of Community Engagement (for incidences occurring in the campus residences): **914-251-6320**

The New York State University Police Department: **914-251-6900**

## TO REPORT CRIMES OFF CAMPUS: DIAL 911 FOR LOCAL AGENCIES

## PROCEDURE AFTER A CALL COMES INTO NYSUPD

After a call comes in, police or other College personnel, fire and/or ambulance service will be dispatched as appropriate to the location of the call. Criminal offenses are pursued by NYSUPD. NYSUPD communicates routinely with other law enforcement agencies in the area.

## STEPS TO MAKING A REPORT:

- Choose a resource (p. 27) that you feel comfortable reporting to such as: Campus Security Authority University Police and Confidential Sources such as Health Services, Counseling and Wellness.
- Once you have chosen your resources, you can expect to meet the appropriate staff who will talk you through their process which may vary depending upon their department.
- At University Police, you will be given the option to make your report at University Police headquarters or at a location that makes you feel comfortable and safe.  
**Note:** Depending on the situation, counseling and/or medical services will be provided.
- At your meeting you should expect to provide the following information:
  - Your name and pedigree (DOB, address, phone number etc.)
  - The suspect's name and pedigree (if known)
  - The nature of the complaint (describe verbally, written or both)
    - Verbal: Talking through the incident with an officer

- Written: Writing a formal document detailing what occurred in an accurate truthful and descriptive manner in a chronological order.
- The officer will explain various options such as filing criminal charges (if applicable). At this time, you can request an Order of Protection. Whether or not you decline to press criminal charges, the report will be referred to Student Affairs and Campus Judicial (Conduct Office) where you may request a No Contact order. Other residential and classroom accommodations can be requested at this time.
- An investigation will commence if you decide to press criminal charges:
  - Collect all appropriate evidence
  - Communicate the Assistant District Attorney's (ADA) Office
  - File the appropriate court paperwork
  - Apprehend suspect, interview and process if charges apply.
  - Victim may have to appear in court and communicate with the ADA.

If you choose not to file criminal charges at the time of the incident, the officer will explain your options to file criminal charges at a later date.

**Your report will be disseminated to the appropriate departments dealing with the handling of your report.**

## REPORTING MISSING PERSONS

### MISSING PERSONS POLICY

If a member of the Purchase College community has reason to believe that a student who resides in on-campus housing is missing, he or she should immediately notify NYSUPD at (914) 251-6911. University Police will generate a missing person report and initiate an investigation.



In addition to registering a general emergency contact, students residing in on-campus housing have the option to identify a confidential individual to be contacted by Student Affairs in the event the student is determined to be missing for more than 24 hours. If a student has identified such an individual, Student Affairs will notify that individual no later than 24 hours after the student is determined to be missing. A student who wishes to identify a confidential contact can do so through the Student Affairs. A student's confidential contact information will be accessible only by authorized campus officials and law enforcement in the course of the investigation.



After investigating a missing person report, should University Police determine that the student has been missing for 24 hours, Student Affairs will notify the student's emergency contact no later than 24 hours after the student is determined to be missing. If the student is under the age of 18 and is not an emancipated individual, Student Affairs will notify the student's parent or legal guardian immediately after NYSUPD has determined that the student has been missing for 24 hours.

Note that while the above notifications are required under federal law, nothing precludes contacting these or any other persons during the investigation if doing so may further the investigation, whether 24 hours has past or not; regardless if over the age of 18, emancipated, or confidential contact. Appropriate to the particulars of the report, other resources may be contacted to assist with an investigation, including other law enforcement agencies.

## **CAMPUS SECURITY AUTHORITIES (CSAs)**

The College has designated certain administrators and staff as "campus security authorities" in recognition that many students, faculty and staff may be hesitant about reporting crimes to New York State University Police, and may be more inclined to report incidents to non-law enforcement administrators and staff instead. Campus Security Authorities are charged with reporting to the appropriate law enforcement personnel, either NYSUPD or local police, or to any official or office which should be informed of the crime or complaint due to the nature of the crime or complaint, those allegations of Clery Act crimes that the campus security authority concludes are made in good faith. A campus security authority is not responsible for determining whether a crime took place as that is the function of law enforcement and its investigatory process. Examples of non-police CSAs include all coaches, Community Standards, professional staff in Student Affairs and Community Engagement, etc.

A Campus Security Authority is required to report all allegations to law enforcement personnel, even if the Campus Security Authority was told of a crime in the context of providing emotional support or health care support. The allegations will be reported whether or not the victim chooses to file a report with law enforcement or press charges. A Campus Security Authority may also provide a victim or witness with assistance in reporting a crime to New York State University Police or local police, or to any official or office which should be informed of the crime or complaint.

The following are designated as Campus Security Authorities:

- Campus police department including security personnel
- Student Affairs Department, Community Engagement and Professional Staff in Athletics (including coaches)
- Human Resources and Title IX & Affirmative Action Officers
- Academic Advisors, Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)
- Faculty Advisor's to student groups

The process for identifying Campus Security Authorities is based on departmental exposure with students and employees within the campus community, where reporting is essential. Their roles are actuated through quarterly meetings throughout the course of the year. CSAs are trained through local and SUNY trainings/conferences and workshops.

Pastoral counselors, advocates and mental health counselors at the University are not Campus Security Authorities, and are therefore exempt from disclosing or reporting allegations of crimes and incidents. However, to be exempt from the Clery Act reporting requirements, the counselor must be acting in their professional role of pastoral or mental health counselors at the University. For example, a Dean who has PhD in psychology is not acting in the counseling role, but rather as a Dean; and a PhD student in psychology working in the counseling center as part of his/her education and training is acting in the counseling role. Pastoral counselors, advocates and mental health counselors are trained in the procedures for reporting crimes and the procedures for reporting crimes confidentially. The University encourages them to inform their clients of the procedures in accordance with their professional judgment, given the individual victim and circumstances before them.

**Professional Counselor:** A person whose official responsibilities include providing mental health counselling to members of the institutions community and who is functioning within the scope of the counselor's license or certification.

**Pastoral Counselor:** A person who is associated with a religious order or denomination, is recognized by that religious order or denomination as someone who provides confidential counseling, and is functioning within the scope of that recognition as a pastoral counselor.

In addition, the Student Health Services employees, including the medical director, physicians and nurses, are not Campus Security Authorities.

**LISTED BELOW ARE SOME OF OUR CAMPUS SECURITY AUTHORITIES HERE AT PURCHASE COLLEGE:**

<b>Dennis Craig</b> Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management	<b>914-251-5985</b>
<b>Patti Bice</b> Dean of Student Affairs	<b>914-251-6363</b>
<b>Chris Bisignano</b> Athletic Director	<b>914-251-6531</b>
<b>Qui Qui Balascio</b> Associate Dean of Students	<b>914-251-6030</b>
<b>Melissa Jones</b> Director of Community Standards	<b>914-251-6030</b>
<b>Dayton Tucker</b> Chief of University Police	<b>914-251-6905</b>
<b>Cindy Markus-Jones</b> Inspector of University Police	<b>914-251-6905</b>
<b>Mario Rapetti</b> Director of Community Engagement	<b>914-251-6320</b>
<b>Ricardo Espinales</b> Interim Title IX Coordinator and Affirmative Action Officer	<b>914-251-6086</b>
<b>JT Delich</b> Title IX Investigator & Assistant Affirmative Action Officer	<b>914-251-5982</b>
<b>Kathleen Farrell</b> Director of Human Resources	<b>914-251-5961</b>
<b>Caitlin Houlihan</b> Assistant Director for Student Involvement	<b>914-251-7403</b>
<b>Michelle Carvajal</b> Assistant Director of Housing Operation	<b>914-251-7045</b>
<b>Evan Bigam</b> Assistant Director of Housing Operation	<b>914-251-7042</b>
<b>Dr. Nancy Reuben</b> Director of Health Services	<b>914-251-6380</b>
<b>Matt Kraus</b> Director of Wellness Center	<b>914-251-6657</b>
<b>Cathie Chester</b> Director of Counseling Services	<b>914-251-6390</b>
<b>Cathy Van Bomel</b> Victim Advocate	<b>914-251-6390</b>
<b>Paul Nicholson</b> Educational Opportunity Program (EOP)	<b>914-251-6520</b>
<b>Antony Ware</b> Associate Director of Community Engagement	<b>914-251-7047</b>
<b>Marjorie Ramirez</b> Coordinator of Education Abroad	<b>914-251-5931</b>

## VOLUNTARY ANONYMOUS REPORTING PROCEDURES

The University encourages all members of its community to report crimes to NYUPD or other Campus Security Authorities, whether he or she is a victim or a witness.

If you are a victim or a witness to a crime and you do not want to pursue action within the University's discipline system or the criminal justice system, you may still want to consider making a confidential report. UPD maintains an electronic anonymous reporting system on its website.

<https://www.purchase.edu/offices/nysup/file-a-report/silent-witness/>



It will not retain email addresses, IP addresses or other identifying information unless the reporting person voluntarily includes identification information.

NOTE: If this is an actual emergency or a crime in progress; please call UPD at: **914-251-6911**.

The purpose of an anonymous report is to comply with your wishes to keep the matter confidential, while taking steps to ensure the future safety of yourself and others. With this information, the University can keep an accurate record of the number of incidents involving students, faculty and staff, determine where there is a pattern of crime relative to location, method, and assailant and alert the campus community to potential harm. Anonymous reports are counted and disclosed in the annual crime statistics for the campus. Please understand while the crime is counted for statistical purposes, confidential reporting of a crime may impede a speedy investigation and/or a thorough investigation, or it may prohibit an investigation in its entirety.

Accommodations can be made for those that wish to report in a non-traditional form. The following are methods available for reporting crimes:

#### **CONFIDENTIAL/PRIVATE REPORTING:**

Victims (students and employees) can file a report with Counseling, Health Services, Wellness or Pastoral Counselors. Confidential resources will provide (if necessary):

- Referrals for medical emergencies
- Counseling services
- Off-campus referrals
- Explain the reporting process and encourage to report to University Police, local law enforcement and/or student affairs
- Seek medical treatment at campus health services or local hospitals

Below are **confidential resources**:

<b>THE COUNSELING CENTER</b> <a href="https://www.purchase.edu/counseling-center/index.php">https://www.purchase.edu/counseling-center/index.php</a>	914-251-6390	HUMANITIES BUILDING, BASEMENT LEVEL, ON LINCOLN AVE. ACROSS FROM CENTRAL 3 PARKING LOT
<b>HEALTH SERVICES CENTER</b> <a href="https://www.purchase.edu/offices/health-services/index.php">https://www.purchase.edu/offices/health-services/index.php</a>	914-251-6380	CAMPUS CENTER SOUTH—LOWER LEVEL ENTRANCE FROM CENTRAL 3 PARKING LOT
<b>THE WELLNESS CENTER</b> <a href="https://www.purchase.edu/offices/wellness-center/index.php">https://www.purchase.edu/offices/wellness-center/index.php</a>	914-251-6665	FORT AWESOME RM. 134
<b>NYS EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM</b> <a href="https://www.purchase.edu/offices/employee-assistance-program/index.php">https://www.purchase.edu/offices/employee-assistance-program/index.php</a>	914-251-6098	STUDENT SERVICES BLDG. RM. 320
<b>HILLELS OF WESTCHESTER</b> <a href="http://www.hillelsofwestchester.org/campus/purchase-college/about-us">http://www.hillelsofwestchester.org/campus/purchase-college/about-us</a>	914-251-6498	CAMPUS CENTER NORTH RM. 0003 (BASEMENT)

- **THE COUNSELING CENTER**—Confidential counseling, support, and services are offered for crime victims.
- **HEALTH SERVICES CENTER**—Confidential health services, including medical examination and treatment, are offered for all students and crime victims.
- **THE WELLNESS CENTER**—Purchase College supports a *holistic approach to education* and believes in fostering the development of the whole person—*intellectually, artistically, professionally, socially, emotionally, and spiritually*.



## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

The University maintains and tests an Emergency Management Plan (EMP). The EMP utilizes the communications methods noted in the "Timely Warnings and Emergency Notifications to the Campus Community" section below. The SUNY NY Alert Emergency Notification system is a primary communications method. The system is tested multiple times annually with community-wide tests having occurred during the semester. Our goal in testing is to ensure the proper function of the SUNY NY Alert Program. Prior to each annual test, a notification is sent to the community via email announcing when the test will occur, delineating the parameters of the test, advising the community how to participate in the SUNY NY Alert program and advising the community how and where to comment on the testing process.

### **PURCHASE COLLEGE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TEAM**

The Emergency Management Team is charged to make operational decisions on behalf of the institution during times of emergencies and critical incidents for the purpose of protecting lives, property, and the environment. The Emergency Management Team meets regularly to discuss emergency response and evacuation policies and procedures. Regular discourse includes but is not limited to: communication processes, alarm system evaluations, scheduling drills/exercises and critiquing the response and effectiveness of prior incidents. Scheduling drills and exercises are carefully designed to monitor and assess timely response and evacuation for effective implementation. We evaluate the outcomes of these drills, exercises and procedures to enhance our emergency response plan.

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TESTING:**

- **SUNY ALERT**

The SUNY NY Alert Emergency Notification system is a primary communications method. The system is tested at least annually with community-wide tests having occurred on a semester by semester basis. Our goal in testing is to ensure the proper function of the SUNY NY Alert Program. Prior to each annual test, a notification is sent to the community via email announcing when the test will occur, delineating the parameters of the test, advising the community how to participate in the SUNY NY Alert program and advising the community how and where to comment on the testing process.

- **ACTIVE SHOOTER DRILLS**

University Police conducts multiple active shooter drills and presentations throughout the year. These drills are set in various academic and residential facilities. These drills are comprised of personnel from University Police, Purchase Fire Department, Purchase College EMS, Harrison EMS, Community Engagement Staff, members of the Emergency Management team and student volunteers.

- **FIRE DRILLS** - (See Pages 86, 89, and 91)

## TIMELY WARNINGS AND EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS AND EVACUATION TO THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY

### WHAT WARRANTS A "TIMELY WARNING" OR "EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION"?

Timely Warnings will be issued whenever a Clery Act Crime is considered to represent a serious or continuing threat to students and employees, is reported to the New York State University Police Department or a local police agency and has occurred within the University's Clery Geography. Whenever a Timely Warning is sent, it will be sent as soon as possible to the entire community. Purchase College will, in a manner that is timely and that withholds as confidential, the names and other identifying information of victims, as defined in section 40002(a)(20) of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (**42 U.S.C.13925** (a)(20)), and that will aid in the prevention of similar crimes, report to the campus community [Clery Act] crimes that are—

- Reported to campus security authorities and considered by the institution to represent a threat to students and employees. It is not required to provide a timely warning with respect to crimes reported to a pastoral or professional counselor.

**Below is an example of the format of Timely Warning:**



**Emergency Notifications** shall be issued when a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees occurs on the campus. Purchase College must immediately notify the campus community upon confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees occurring on campus. (Ex. Meningitis, approaching tornado, gas leak, terrorist incident, armed intruder, bomb threat, etc.)

As appropriate, emergency notifications may be targeted at only a segment or segments of the campus community that is at risk. Emergency notifications will be issued without delay unless doing so would compromise efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

The Chief of Police in conjunction with the President of Purchase College, shall confirm the existence of a situation that may warrant a warning or notification and determine if a timely warning or emergency notification is warranted and the extent of the notification as appropriate. In addition to criminal incidents emergency notifications may be issued in situations such as, but not limited to:

**1. SAFETY RELATED ISSUES:**

- An incident that occurs ON any of our campuses that affects the personal safety and security of our population.
- An incident that occurs in close proximity of the University that may potentially affect the personal safety and security of our student, faculty and staff population.

**2. HEALTH RELATED ISSUES:**

- A member of our population is diagnosed with a serious or life threatening Communicable/infectious disease.
- Evidence of bio terrorism.

Methods of communication will be chosen based on the nature of the incident. A decision will be made on notification methods by the Director of Health Services in conjunction with the President of Purchase College. The following methods can be used to get the word out.

- Letters to students and/or parents (communication to parents is extremely minimal, most likely done in cases of measles, mumps, or rubella. Viral Meningitis would be communicated to the parents whose students are directly affected.)
- Letters to faculty and staff, if appropriate
- Student operated media outlets based on timing of the incident

The only reason an immediate notification for a confirmed emergency or dangerous situation would not be issued is if doing so will compromise efforts to: assist a victim, contain the emergency, respond to the emergency, or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

## WAYS TO COMMUNICATE THESE ISSUES:

### FOR SAFETY RELATED ISSUES:

The following methods can be used to get the word out. Methods of communication will be chosen based on the nature of the incident. A decision will be made on notification methods by the Chief of Police in conjunction with the President of Purchase College.

- E-mail to all students and/or faculty/staff
- Student operated media outlets
- **SUNY NY Alert in the case of a critical campus wide emergency**
- Post to myHeliotrope portal at: [www.purchase.edu/portal/](http://www.purchase.edu/portal/)
- Campus Public Address (PA) Systems (External/Internal)



Internal Public Address System



External Public Address System  
(WAVES)

### WAVES—WIDE-AREA MASS NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (EXTERNAL PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM)

WAVES is designed to protect, alert and inform people of what to do in an emergency or disaster. Covering large geographic outdoor areas, it broadcasts crystal clear voice messages, tones and sirens.



## SUNY NEW YORK ALERT

### WHAT IS IT?

The Purchase College is one of many State University campuses that have adopted an emergency messaging service offered through the State Emergency Management Office (SEMO) and the State University of New York (SUNY).

The system will allow Purchase College to communicate on matters of CRITICAL EMERGENCIES with all members of the University community who sign up for this service.

The system allows e-mail, phone and text messages to be sent automatically to all members of the campus community who have provided their contact information.



### HOW TO SIGN UP?

The University **strongly recommends** that all students, faculty and staff sign up for SUNY NY Alert emergency messages. You can sign up for this service by logging on to myHeliotrope portal at: [www.purchase.edu/portal/](http://www.purchase.edu/portal/) you will see a screen stating that you must complete “the NY-Alert Survey” before continuing to the main SSB menu. The text in Blue: “NY Alert Early Warning System” is a link that will take you to the survey. **You will be asked to complete this survey once per semester.** Registered students and current Faculty and Staff are eligible to sign up this way.

If you choose to receive the alerts, you must provide at least one e-mail address. You may also provide a cell phone number and provider to receive text message alerts and a phone number, either cell or land line, to receive voice alerts. You may list up to three phone numbers for each of these options, but you should be aware that the alert system will attempt to contact every number that you list until one of the phones is answered. We advise that you list your most-used number for text messaging and/or your most-used number for voice messages.



## **SECURITY OF CAMPUS BUILDINGS**

### **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS USED IN THE MAINTENANCE OF CAMPUS FACILITIES?**

#### **RESIDENCE HALLS**

During the past several years, the Purchase College has enacted many programs to enhance the security of residents. These initiatives include:

- Security viewing holes on residence hall room doors.
- Residence hall access doors locked 24-hours a day.
- Card readers on entrance doors of newly renovated buildings.
- Security patrols on all residential areas during all hours.
- Phones in all traditional residence hall foyers for campus calls.
- A Residence Coordinator and Residence Assistants are on duty at all times that students are in residence. There is always a back-up manager on duty as well.
- Throughout the year, Residential Life staff conducts programs relating to personal safety. Many are conducted in conjunction with the University Police. The Personal Safety Committee on Campus Security meets regularly to recommend safety improvements to University Administration.
- If keys are lost, lock changes are done and all involved student residents are issued new keys.

#### **OTHER CAMPUS BUILDINGS, ACADEMIC AND NON-ACADEMIC**

Most campus facilities, with the exception of residence halls, are open to the public during the day and evening hours when classes are in session. Residence Halls are locked twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, with key or card access for residents and other authorized individuals. The general public is encouraged to attend cultural, athletic and other activities on campus with access limited to the facilities in which the events take place.

At night and during periods of time when classes are not in session, University buildings are generally locked. Faculty, staff and limited numbers of students with proper identification and appropriately issued keys and access cards are allowed access to the buildings. Campus employees with assigned offices are issued keys. They are responsible for reporting missing and stolen keys.

## **CAMPUS SECURITY PROGRAMS AND PROCEDURES**

Safety and security on campus is built on a strong foundation that includes:

1. **Community Policing.** NYSUPD strives to develop and maintain a positive relationship with all members of the Purchase College community with a supportive community oriented approach to law enforcement.
2. **Individual Responsibility.** Every member of the university community is responsible for his/her own safety by taking simple, common sense precautions and reporting incidents to the police and other campus authorities.

## **SAFETY PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES**

Purchase College encourages you to take full advantage of safety programs and initiatives designed to protect your person and your property. They include:

### **RESIDENCE HALL SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS**

All suite doors are equipped with viewing holes; exterior doors are locked 24 hours a day; key or card access to exterior doors allows for additional security; phones are located in vestibule areas providing free on campus calls; security patrols in residential areas; personal, property and fire safety programs coordinated by residential life staff. Residence halls are locked twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

### **ADVISORY COMMITTEES ON CAMPUS SAFETY**

A group of policy level personnel, including faculty, professional staff and students that examines and makes recommendations relative to safety conditions on the University campus. Examples are The Personal Safety Committee, Campus Life Committee, etc.

### **LIGHTING**

UPD, Facilities Management, and the Advisory Committees on Campus Safety annually survey lighting on campus to ensure that areas are adequately lighted. Numerous additions have been made to lighting in the last five years.

### **ANTI-INTRUSION ALARMS**

Many academic and support areas of special sensitivity are protected by alarm systems which creates an audible alarm directly into the Communications Office to UPD. Officers are dispatched to intruded areas to evaluate the situation.

## EMERGENCY & BLUE LIGHT PHONES

There are more than 63 emergency blue light phones located on the campus. These telephones connect directly to the University Police Department when picked up, making the reporting of emergency situations, or suspicious persons instantaneous. These phones are visible by their blue or red lights or in the case of Fort Awesome, the bright caution-yellow phone housing box. (See below)

- \***Ft. Awesome** (left)
- \***Mall Bldgs.** (right)
- \***Academic Mall**  
(Bottom left)
- \***Athletic Trail-solar**  
(Bottom center)
- \***Residential Areas**  
(Bottom right)



### THE 911 EMERGENCY SYSTEM

The 911 phone system was established to assist members of the University community in contacting the University Police Department in case of situations such as: fires, crimes in progress, or medical emergencies. This system routes 911 calls directly to the UPD Dispatch Center.

### OPERATION IDENTIFICATION

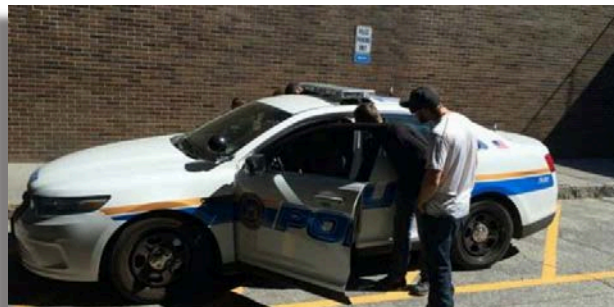
Available through the University Police Department, this program is a nationwide system that tracks your property in the event it is lost or stolen. A personal number and UPD's agency identifying number are engraved on your property.

### ADOPT-A-DORM PROGRAM

The Adopt-a-Dorm program is an effort by the police department to improve safety by becoming a part of the community. Officers assigned to the program will schedule lobby days throughout the semester to engage students in a less formal setting. Officers will be assigned to specific areas to make regular patrols of the residential areas, answer questions and provide safety information directly to your residence areas.

### POLICE AUXILIARY PROGRAM

Interested in learning about law enforcement? Learn what it takes to be a cop. Insight to police training. Ride along program. Presentations by law enforcement professionals from all over NY State.





### COFFEE WITH A COP

This popular program allows for the campus community meet with some of our University Police officers in either Starbucks or another campus eatery to meet with the public and engage in a general discussion. Officers set up tables and provide free snacks and beverages provided by UPD in a relaxing and enjoyable atmosphere where students can ask officers any type of questions.

### ICE POP WITH A COP

This program allows for the campus community meet with some of our University Police officers and engage in a general discussion. Officers set up tables under a tent and hand out free Ice pops to the public in a relaxing and enjoyable atmosphere where they can ask officers any type of question they want.



### BIKE PATROL

University Police bike patrol provides more effective access to residential and academic areas of the campus and gives the community greater access to the officers.





### VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION

A program where a local vehicle roadside assistance will perform an inspection free of charge to your vehicle (topping off fluids and recommending safety issues.)



### WOMEN'S SELF DEFENSE WITH RAD – RAPE AGGRESSION DEFENSE

Designed to develop and enhance the options of self-defense for women who participate in this semester long 2 credit Phys. Ed or Gender Studies course. This popular class is taught by University Police certified RAD Instructors where it's offered twice per semester.



### UNIVERSITY POLICE COURTESY ESCORT

A courtesy escort provides a safe on campus escort to the campus community. Please call The New York State University Police Department at 914-251-6900 or use one of the Blue Light phones. Community Service Officers or University Police personnel will walk you from one location safely to your destination.



## **SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PERSONAL SAFETY**

With the collaboration of Community Engagement, Wellness, NYSUPD and the Counseling Center, these programs are offered to provide personal safety tips and risk reduction strategies to members of the campus community. Health and crisis counseling services are available.

### **THE SPEAK OUT! PROGRAM**

The “Speak Out!” program is a College/Community Coalition to End Violence Against Women and all victims of violence regardless of gender. This is a victim-centered advocacy and education program which seeks to enable and facilitate a victim’s right to make all decisions about what, if any, options to pursue following an incident of any kind of victimization. The program is committed to empowering a victim to reassume control over his/her life and to supporting the victim’s journey to becoming a survivor.

<https://www.purchase.edu/counseling-center/emergency/sexual-assault-and-misconduct-help/>

### **TAKE BACK THE NIGHT**

A Speak Out event planned night, including a campus march against sexual assault.

“Take Back the Night” is an international rally and march that is organized in local communities and college campuses with the purpose of unifying women and men in an effort to raise awareness and their voices in order to end the silence and combat violence against women, children and families. Historically it began in England as a protest against the fear that women encountered walking the streets at night. The first “Take Back the Night” in the United States occurred in San Francisco in 1978.

This annual Purchase College event brings together a diverse group of students, staff, faculty members and outside agency staff to continue our ongoing effort to “Take Back the Night”. Please Join us and add your voices to the many Purchase College women and men who care.

### **CLOTHESLINE PROJECT:**

Come make a T-shirt and add to the Westchester Clothesline Project (shirts and paints are provided). The Westchester Clothesline Project is part of the National effort to bear witness against violence against women and children. The shirts are made by survivors and/or their friends and family members. They are strung shoulder to shoulder on a clothesline and displayed to the public. Like the AIDS quilt, the Clothesline Project provides a unique medium for healing while helping to educate the public about the personal impact and prevalence of violence against women and children.

## **ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG EDUCATION, PREVENTION SERVICES AND PROGRAMS OFFERED BY THE WELLNESS CENTER**

The University offers a wide range of alcohol and drug education prevention services and programs, including a highly visible social norms campaign targeting substance use and widespread delivery of an empirically supported screening and brief intervention program for at risk populations (e.g., first year students, student athletes, etc.). Additional services include National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, facility use for Alcoholics Anonymous meetings and peer education programs. Current information regarding alcohol and drug prevention services and educational programs can be found by linking: <https://www.purchase.edu/offices/wellness-center/index.php>

## **OFFICE OF COMMUNITY STANDARDS (FORMERLY JUDICIAL AFFAIRS)**

Hears and adjudicates referrals from students victimized by other students. Sanctions range from warning and probation to expulsion.

## **CRIME PREVENTION PAMPHLETS**

UPD and Office of Student Engagement publish numerous pamphlets which are distributed to students and staff to assist them in preventing victimization for specific types of crimes.

## **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION UNIT**

UPD has a Criminal Investigation Unit assigned to do follow-up investigations of reported crimes. The investigator performs the following duties not limited to, conducting thorough investigations to close cases, make court appearances and visits to the Assistant District Attorney's office, seal records, execute warrants, attend training, and speak at safety and preventative workshops.



## ACTIVE SHOOTER EDUCATION

The safety of our students, faculty, staff and visitors is our top priority. Numerous colleges and universities have had the unfortunate experience of active shooter incidents. University Police takes this threat seriously and regularly trains with neighboring agencies in an active shooter response.

The campus community can help the University Police Department by reporting any person seen carrying a firearm on campus by calling **(914) 251-6911**.

If there is an active shooter situation, the following actions are suggested:

**RUN:** Have an escape route and plan in mind -Leave your belongings behind-Evacuate regardless of whether others agree to follow - Help others escape if possible- Do Not attempt to move the wounded -Prevent others of entering an area where the active shooter may be -Keep your hands visible - Call 911 when you are safe.

**HIDE:** Hide in an area out of the shooter's view -Lock door or block entry to your hiding place- Silence your cell phone (including vibrate mode) and remain quiet.

**FIGHT:** AS A LAST RESORT AND ONLY WHEN YOUR LIFE IS IMMINENT DANGER.

Attempt to incapacitate the shooter -Act with as much physical aggression as possible -Improvise weapons at throw items at the active shooter -Commit to your actions...Your life depends on it!

**KEEP IN MIND:** Responding officers are trained in active shooter response. This may mean that they will run past you and in the direction of the shooter to stop the threat. The first responding officer will not stop to render aid of any kind, however, be assured that other responding officers will arrive to assist all victims. Once outside and away from the active shooter, some possibly safe areas to run are: The West lawn (behind the PAC), Lower Gym Lot, Facilities Lot, Administrative Lot, or anywhere else that you can get to that is away from the sound of gunfire or danger.

Check out our Active Shooter PSA Training video. (Run-Hide-Fight):

<https://www.facebook.com/SUNYPurchaseUniversityPolice/videos/vb.187378408008249/702069946539090/?type=2&theater>

## **CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE POLICY**

### **Regulations for a Drug Free Environment and Information on Counseling and Treatment**

Purchase College is committed to developing and maintaining the health, stability and well-being of the collegiate learning environment. The College considers the possession, use, sale, and other distribution of illegal drugs to be detrimental to the individual student and to the education process. In addition, the College considers underage use and/or possession of alcohol and supplying/selling alcohol to those under the legal drinking age to be detrimental to the individual student and to the educational process.

1. The use of illegal drugs is a threat to the health of the individual and also interferes with the efficient pursuit of the individual's educational goals.
2. The presence of illegal drugs is detrimental to the entire educational community. Their presence interferes with the educational development and creative process.
3. Possession, use, sale, or other distribution of illegal drugs violates federal, state and local laws. The College expects adherence to these laws. No special exemption from civil or criminal law exists for members of a college community.
4. Underage possession/use of alcohol, and sale or other distribution of alcohol to those under the legal drinking age violates federal, state, and local laws. The College expects adherence to these laws. No special exemption from civil or criminal law exists for members of a college community.

### **THE POLICY**

In order to protect the educational environment and safeguard the health and well-being of the individual and the community, the College policy concerning illegal drugs will be as follows:

- A. The possession, use, sale, or other distribution of narcotics, hallucinogens or controlled substances (except as permitted by law) on the campus by any student, employee, or visitor, will be considered a serious offense.
- B. The use, sale, or possession of any drug paraphernalia, including, but not limited to, water pipes, bongs, and hypodermic syringes/needles not prescribed by a licensed physician will be subject to disciplinary action.



## **ENFORCEMENT**

A. University Police Officers are authorized to arrest violators of drug laws. Should conditions warrant, the College may ask assistance of other law enforcement or investigative agencies. These agencies also have the legal right to operate on the campus without consulting the College. The College cannot and will not shield violators of drug laws from law enforcement agencies.

B. Violations of these policies will result in disciplinary or administrative action, as well as criminal prosecution whenever possible. Campus disciplinary action will be taken through administrative discipline processes for employees and through the discipline process for students.

C. Sanctions for specific controlled substance offenses by students are outlined in the "Community Standards of Conduct." Consequences for employees may include termination or dismissal.

D. The College provides confidential counseling, educational programs and other services for those students seeking assistance for problems related to the use of illegal drugs.

### **The following resources:**

The Counseling Center: <https://www.purchase.edu/counseling-center/index.php>

The Wellness Center: <https://www.purchase.edu/offices/wellness-center/index.php>

## NEW YORK STATE LAW

Articles 220 and 221 of the New York State Penal Law set criminal penalties for possession or sale of drugs considered harmful or subject to abuse. The seriousness of the offense and penalty imposed upon conviction depend upon the individual drug and amount held or sold.



### MARIJUANA

New York State law classifies possession of up to 25 grams of marijuana as a violation. Penalties range from \$100 to \$250 fine and/or up to 15 days in jail, depending on whether it is a first, second or third offense. Possession of more than 25 grams but not more than eight ounces is a misdemeanor; possession of more than eight ounces is a felony. Sale of 25 grams or less is a misdemeanor; sale of more than 25 grams is a felony. New York State law makes no exception for the use of marijuana for medical purposes.

### HASHISH

The penalties for sale or possession of hashish are more severe. Possession of any amount, no matter how small, is a misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in county jail and/or up to \$1000 fine. Possession of one-quarter ounce or more is a felony. Sale of any amount of hashish, no matter how small, is a felony.

### COCAINE AND CRACK

Possession of any amount, no matter how small, is the most serious class of misdemeanor punishable by up to 12 months in a county jail. Possession of 500 milligrams or more is a class D felony punishable by 2.3 to 7 years in a state correctional facility. Sale of any amount is a felony.

### **EFFECTS AND SYMPTOMS OF OVERDOSE, WITHDRAWAL AND MISUSE OF ALCOHOL AND DRUGS**

A description of alcohol and drug categories, their effects, symptoms of overdose, symptoms of withdrawal and indications of misuse can be found at the Drug Enforcement Administration of the U.S. Department of Justice website: <http://www.usdoj.gov/dea/concern/concern.htm>

Federal Trafficking Penalties can be found at: <https://www.dea.gov/druginfo/ftp3.shtml>

### **ALCOHOL POLICY**

The College's policies and procedures governing the use of alcohol at events which are under the supervision of the college, whether these occur on or off campus, reflect the following considerations:

- A. Recent changes in societal attitudes regarding the use and abuse of alcohol, coupled with the general concern for its impact on the public's health and well-being, have been mirrored in changes in local and state laws.
- B. An increasingly litigious society makes all individuals and organizations who serve alcohol and those who sponsor events at which alcohol is provided, regardless of the public or private nature of the event, vulnerable to great liability.
- C. Confusing messages are sent frequently about the role of alcohol in contemporary society; a formal educational program which promotes the responsible use of alcohol is important so that members of the College Community are better able to make informed choices about their behavior.
- D. The College - as a public agency - expects adherence to the laws of the State of New York and/or the jurisdictions in which a College-sponsored events occurs. No special exemption from civil or criminal law exists for members of College community.

The College recognizes that the abuse of alcohol is a very serious problem which is detrimental to the individual student, to the educational process, and to the learning environment. Accordingly, the College provides confidential counseling and help for those who have problems with alcohol abuse through the Counseling Center and Health Services. Purchase College is committed to fostering an environment that will offer alternative academic and social settings to mitigate against alcohol abuse; e.g., maintaining facilities open to students for socializing after hours; library, studio, and/or study settings that encourage student scholarship; and appropriate social/academic programming that will engage student interest and participation, particularly on weekends.

## LEGAL BACKGROUND—THE LAW

College policy governing the use and abuse of alcohol beverages reflecting New York State Laws and local ordinances of Town of Harrison, each of which is summarized here:

### **A. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LAW, SECTION 65 (PROHIBITED SALES):**

No person shall sell, deliver, or give away or cause or permit or procure to be sold, delivered or given away any alcoholic beverages to:

1. Any person actually or apparently under the age of 21 years;
2. Any visibly intoxicated person;
3. Any habitual drunkard known to be such to the person authorized to dispense any alcoholic beverages.

### **B. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LAW SECTION 65 – C (1 AND 2) (UNLAWFUL POSSESSION):**

Except as hereinafter provided no person under the age of twenty-one years shall possess any alcoholic beverage, as defined in this chapter, with the intent to consume such beverage. A person under the age of twenty-one years may possess any alcoholic beverage with intent to consume if the alcoholic beverage is given:

- A. to a person who is a student in a curriculum licensed or registered by the state education department and the student is required to taste or imbibe alcoholic beverages in courses which are part of the required curriculum.
- B. to the person under twenty-one years of age by that person's parent or guardian.

**C. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LAW, SECTION 65 – B (2)(A) (FRAUDULENT IDENTIFICATION):** No person under the age of twenty-one years shall present or offer to any license under this chapter, or to the agent or employee of such license, any written evidence of age which is false, fraudulent or not actually his own for the purpose of purchasing or attempting to purchase any alcoholic beverage.

**D. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LAW, SECTION 65 – B (3) (FRAUDULENT USE OF DRIVER'S LICENSE):** In addition to the penalties otherwise provided in subdivision one of this section, if a determination is made sustaining a charge of illegally purchasing or attempting to illegally purchase an alcoholic beverage, the court may suspend such person's license to drive a motor vehicle for ninety days if it is found that it was the written evidence of age used for the purpose of such illegal purchase or attempt to illegally purchase.

**E. GENERAL OBLIGATIONS LAW: ARTICLE 11-100 (KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL HOST LAW):** Any person who shall be injured in person, property, means of support or otherwise, by reason of the intoxication or impairment of ability of any person under the age of 21 years, whether resulting in his death or not,

shall have a right of action to recover actual damages against any person who knowingly causes such intoxication or impairment of ability by unlawfully furnishing to or unlawfully assisting in procuring alcoholic beverages for such person with knowledge or reasonable cause to believe that such person was under the age of 21 years.

**F. GENERAL OBLIGATIONS LAW: ARTICLE 11-101 (KNOWN AS THE DRAM SHOP ACT):** Any person who shall be injured in person, property, means of support or otherwise by any intoxicated person, or by reason of the intoxication of any person, whether resulting in his death or not shall have a right of action against any person who shall, by unlawful selling to or unlawfully assisting in procuring liquor for such intoxicated person have caused or contributed to such intoxication; and in any such action such person shall have a right to recover actual and exemplary damages.

**G. OPEN CONTAINERS PROHIBITED: TOWN OF HARRISON LL#21 978 85 – 4:** No person shall consume or ingest alcoholic beverage in any public place or transportation facility within the Town of Harrison. Carrying on the person, holding or possessing any open, unsealed, or partially full bottle, can or container which contains an alcoholic beverage in a public place as hereinabove defined shall constitute prima facie evidence a violation of this section.

**H. OPEN CONTAINERS IN VEHICLES: TOWN OF HARRISON LL#21 978 85 – 5:** Any open, unsealed, resealed, or partially full bottle, can or container which contains an alcoholic beverage found in any vehicle in any such public place or transportation facility shall be prima facie evidence that the same is in possession of all the occupants of said vehicle and in possession of the person last having control and custody of said vehicle.

## THE POLICY

The use of alcoholic beverages by those of legal age is permitted on College property and at College sponsored events in accordance with applicable State Laws and College policies as stated herein. Responsibility for ensuring compliance with these laws and policies rest with each member of the College community, whether student, faculty, or staff.

In compliance with State law and Town ordinance, open containers of alcoholic beverages are permitted in public spaces on campus only at registered events or contract vendor operations. "Public spaces" include hallways, stairwells, lounges, and instructional areas of all buildings.

In support of the responsible use of alcohol, kegs are not permitted on campus except as provided by a contract vendor at registered public events and in food service operations as provided in this policy.

When alcohol is used illegally or when inappropriate behavior accompanies and/or follows the use to alcoholic beverages (e.g. behavior which violates the rights of others in the community or causes personal injury and/or property damage), these actions become a legitimate concern of the College community. Such behavior shall be considered a serious offense and may result in disciplinary, administrative, criminal, or civil action. Campus disciplinary action will be taken through the judicial process and consequences may range from verbal warnings to the most severe disciplinary penalty.

The College provides confidential counseling, educational programs, and other services for those students seeking assistance for problems related to alcohol.

This policy shall be reviewed on an annual basis by the Alcohol and Drug Policy Review Committee who will make recommendations for changes and updates in the policy to the College governance structure.

## **POLICIES FOR PERSONAL USE AND POSSESSION IN PRIVATE FACILITIES**

**A.** The College permits personal use and possession of alcoholic beverages by those of legal age in small, informal gatherings in private facilities as provided in this policy. Personal use and possession of alcoholic beverages as defined in this section do not have to be registered.

**B.** Residence Facilities (Residence Halls & Apartments): In private living units (rooms, suites, or apartments) where none of the assigned residents are 21 years old or older, alcoholic beverages may not be present.

**C.** Residence Facilities (Residence Halls & Apartments): In private living units (rooms, suites, or apartments) where one or more of the assigned residents are 21 years old or older, alcoholic beverages may be consumed by residents and their guests who are 21 years old or older under the following guidelines:

1. Private living units are defined as: Rooms, suites, apartment spaces which are not generally accessible to the general public, where a student may have a reasonable expectation of privacy. Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed outside at any time including in the apartment complexes.
2. Under the "Personal Use" category, the maximum number in attendance may not exceed the limits set below:
  - For units designed to accommodate one to two persons: 6 persons
  - For units designed to accommodate four persons (apartments/suites): 10 persons
  - For units designed to accommodate six to eight persons (apartments/suites): 14 persons
3. The host(s) will prevent disruptive and excessive noise, which may be disturbing to area residents, and be accountable for the behavior of his/her guests.



**D. Campus Facilities:** Students, faculty, or staff members who are 21 years of age or older may consume alcoholic beverages within their office, personal studio, or similar private space in groups of 10 or fewer individuals if permitted under guidelines established by their supervisor and the Dean/Director responsible for managing the building.

## **GENERAL POLICIES FOR OTHER THAN PERSONAL USE**

**For more information, see:**

<https://www.purchase.edu/live/blurbs/960-alcohol-policy>

## **ALCOHOL OR DRUG USE/POSSESSION DISCLOSURE POLICY**

### **DISCLOSURE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUG VIOLATIONS OF STUDENTS UNDER 21**

Pursuant to the Warner Amendment to the Higher Education Reauthorization Act of 1998 [Section 444 of the General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C 1232g)], institutions of higher education may disclose, "to a parent or legal guardian of a student, information regarding any violation of any Federal, State, or local law, or of any rule or policy of the institution, governing the use of possession of alcohol or a controlled substance, regardless of whether that information is contained in the student's education records, if (A) the student is under the age of 21; and (B) the institution determines that the student had committed a disciplinary violation with respect to such use or possession."

The types of cases in which parents or legal guardians of students who are under the age of 21 may be informed about a drug or alcohol related incident:

1. Any case where a student is separated from the College for reasons related to alcohol or controlled substance. A separation from the College, for the purposes of this policy, shall include an interim suspension, expulsion, or involuntary medical leave.
2. Any case where a student is transported from the College by ambulance for reasons related to alcohol or controlled substances.
3. Any case where a student is found responsible for any charge related to alcohol, marijuana, or a controlled substance.

NOTE: Please see the [Purchase College Parental Notification Policy](#) for additional parental notification information.

## **ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG USE POLICY**

### **EMPLOYEES**

New York State prohibits on-the-job use or impairment from alcohol and controlled substances. An employee may be required to undergo medical testing if a supervisor has a reasonable suspicion that he or she is unable to perform duties due to the use of drugs or alcohol.

The unlawful use, possession, dispensing, manufacturing or distribution of controlled substances in all College work locations is prohibited. Employees who unlawfully use, possess, dispense, manufacture, or distribute controlled substances will be subject to disciplinary procedures consistent with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and collective bargaining agreements. Employees must notify the College's Personnel Office of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace, or at a work site, no later than five (5) working days after such conviction.

### **ENFORCEMENT**

If the cause of the work impairment is found to be drug or alcohol related, the Director of Human Resources in conjunction with the employee's supervisor, may refer the employee to voluntary and confidential participation in the statewide Employee Assistance Program. Other available options include pursuing disciplinary leave procedures or other disciplinary measures.

Violations of the State policy on alcohol and other substance abuse in the workplace may constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to Section 75 of the Civil Service Law or the Disciplinary Articles of collectively negotiated agreements.

Congress passed the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 and the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989. The following is the Alcohol and Other Drugs Policy for employees and students at Purchase College. The term "controlled substances" as used herein refers to the hundreds of chemicals listed by the federal government in the Controlled Substance Act.

### **STUDENTS**

No person shall possess, use, sell, or in any other way distribute narcotics, hallucinogens or controlled substances.

The use, sale, or possession of any drug paraphernalia, including but not limited to water pipes, bongs, and hypodermic syringes/needles not prescribed by a licensed physician will be subject to confiscation and disciplinary action.

### **ALCOHOL POLICY**

No person shall possess, sell, or give away alcoholic beverages without proper authorization in any building or on any property owned or controlled by Purchase College. Alcohol is permitted in students'

rooms within some residence halls and apartments if at least one resident of the room is over the legal drinking age, provided that no person under the age of 21 possesses or consumes said beverages. Open containers may not be possessed anywhere on campus outside of individual alcoholic residences unless so authorized in accordance with College regulations, local ordinances, and State law. Kegs and beer balls are not permitted in the residence areas and will be confiscated. The College holds persons responsible for their conduct at all times, including behaviors which occur under the influence of alcohol, and persons violating these policies will be subject to disciplinary action.

### **ENFORCEMENT**

1. The New York State University Police Officers are authorized to arrest violators of alcohol and/or drug laws. If conditions warrant, the College may ask assistance of other law enforcement or investigative agencies. These agencies also have the legal right to operate on the campus without consulting the College. The College cannot and will not shield violators of alcohol and/or drug laws from law enforcement agencies.
2. Violations of these policies will result in disciplinary and/or administrative action, as well as criminal prosecution whenever feasible. Campus disciplinary action will be taken through the appropriate administrative discipline processes for employees and for students. Consequences may include termination or dismissal.
3. The College provides confidential counseling, educational programs, and other services for students seeking assistance related to the use of alcohol or illegal drugs.

### **PENALTIES FOR DRUG POSSESSION AND SALE**

#### **FEDERAL PENALTIES**

The Federal Controlled Substances Act provides penalties of up to 15 years imprisonment and fines of up to \$25,000 for unlawful distribution or possession with intent to distribute narcotics. For unlawful possession of a controlled substance, a person is subject to one year of imprisonment and fines up to \$5,000. Any person who unlawfully distributes a controlled substance to a person under 21 years of age may be punished by up to twice the term of imprisonment and fine otherwise authorized by law.

Federal trafficking penalties for first offense Schedule I&II drugs range from a minimum of 5 years to a maximum of life in prison and a fine of \$1 million for an individual or \$10 million if not an individual. Penalties for first offense trafficking Schedule III&IV drugs range up to 5 years in prison and a fine of \$250,000 for an individual or \$1 million if not an individual. Federal penalties for first offense trafficking marijuana range up to a maximum of life in prison and up to \$4 million fine for an individual or \$10 million if not an individual, depending on the quantity of marijuana.

## **TYPES OF DRUGS**

**SCHEDULE I:** Heroin, LSD, Mescaline, Psilocybin, other Hallucinogens, PCP, Quaaludes, marijuana, china white, mushrooms, ecstasy, GHB and MDA.

**SCHEDULE II:** Morphine, Methadone, OxyContin, Demerol, Codeine, precedent, Fentanyl, Dilaudid, Seconal, Nembutal, Cocaine, Crack, Amphetamines, and other opium and opium extracts and narcotics.

**SCHEDULE III:** Certain barbiturates such as amobarbital and codeine containing medicines such as Fiorinal #3, Doriden, and codeine-based cough suppressants and all anabolic steroids.

**SCHEDULE IV:** Barbiturates, narcotics and other stimulants including Valium, Talwin, Librium, Euqanil, Darvon, Darvocet, Placidyl, Tranzene, Serax, Ionamin (yellow jackets).

**SCHEDULE V:** Compounds that contain very limited amounts of codeine, dihydro-codeine, ethylmorphine, opium, and atromine (Robitussin AC).

**SCHEDULE VI:** Marijuana, THC, Hashish, Hash Oil, Tetrahydrocannabinol

## **NEW YORK STATE LAWS REGARDING ALCOHOL VIOLATIONS**

**DRIVING WHILE ABILITY IMPAIRED (BAC OF .05 TO .07)** - \$300-\$500 fine, up to 15 days in jail and 90 days revocation of license.

**DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED (DWI) (BAC OF .08 OR MORE)** - \$500-\$1000 fine, up to 1 year in jail and minimum 6-month license revocation.

**AGGRAVATED DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED (BAC OF .18 OR MORE)** - \$1000 - \$2500 fine, up to 1 year in jail, ignition interlock device installed on vehicle. License revoked for up to 18 months.

**FELONY DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED (SECOND DWI CONVICTION IN 10 YEARS)** - \$1,000 - \$5,000 fine, up to 4 years in prison and minimum of 1-year license revocation.

**PROCURING ALCOHOL FOR PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF 21** - \$200 fine, up to 5 days in jail or both.

**POSSESSION BY PERSONS UNDER 21** - \$50 fine per offense and/or completion of alcohol awareness program and/or community service.

**USE OF FALSE ID FOR ALCOHOL PURCHASE** - \$100 fine, and/or community service, and/or completion of an alcohol awareness program, and/or revocation of driver's license for 90 days.

## **NEW YORK STATE PENALTIES**

The State of New York has established severe sanctions for the possession, use, and sale of controlled substances which are consistent with Federal penalties established for such. The specific criminal sanctions are delineated in the New York State Penal Law. The severity of the offense depends on the type and the quantity of the illegal substance, as well as the holder's intent (personal use, distribution or sale). For example, in New York State, the criminal possession of four or more ounces of cocaine is a class A-1 felony, punishable by a minimum of 15-25 years and a maximum of life in prison, and a maximum \$100,000 fine. Unlawful possession of a small quantity of marijuana is a violation, resulting in a fine of not more than \$100 for the first offense. Additional violations result in larger fines and the imposition of misdemeanor criminal charges, which include the establishment of a permanent record.

## **HEALTH RISKS**

The use of illegal drugs, tobacco, and the abuse of alcohol may have serious health consequences, including damage of the heart, lungs and other organs. Alcohol-related accidents are the number one cause of death for persons aged 15-24. The most significant health risk, besides death, is addiction. Chemical dependency is a disease that, if not arrested, is fatal. No addict (including alcoholics and smokers) ever thought he/she would become addicted.

- Abuse of alcohol and marijuana during puberty can result in an imbalance of sex hormones resulting in reduced muscle mass and shrinkage of testicles in males and menstrual difficulties and infertility in females.
- The risk of breast cancer is increased by 30% among women who consume as few as 3 alcoholic drinks per day.
- The use of hallucinogens (LSD, PCP, Mescaline) can result in an irreversible drug induced psychotic state and/or delusions which may trigger life-threatening behavior.
- The use of cocaine or amphetamines greatly increases the risk of heart attack.
- Stimulants ("uppers", speed, crack, methyl, crystal) may cause permanent damage to the brain, heart, lungs, and other organs from long-term use.
- Medical consequences of alcohol abuse include liver damage and disease, gastrointestinal problems and brain damage, as well as causing injury to a fetus during pregnancy.
- Inhalants ("poppers", rush, laughing gas, glue, paint thinner) may cause mental confusion, mood swings, delusions and hallucinations.
- Depressants ("downers", ludes, reds, 714s, barbs) greatly increase the risk of car crashes because they affect vision, judgment, coordination and physical skills.
- In cases of rape, 75% of the men and 55% of the women involved had been using alcohol or other drugs.

## **ABOUT ALCOHOL:**

In addition to the immediate dangers from drinking at a single event, there are dangers from patterns of drinking. Some people drink for unhealthy reasons and it can cause negative consequences in their lives. They are alcohol abusers, or problem drinkers. For others (as many as 13% of college males and 5% of college females), the drinking has progressed even further, to alcoholism. Alcoholics cannot live without alcohol and cannot control its use.

## **THE FOLLOWING ARE WARNING SIGNALS THAT MAY INDICATE A PROBLEM IN YOUR DRINKING PATTERN:**

- Missed classes or work due to hangovers; unfulfilled academic potential or even failing grades due to drinking.
- Accidents and injuries due to drinking.
- Blackouts (inability to remember something that happened while drinking).
- Doing something (for example, a sexual act) contrary to one's values while under the influence of alcohol.
- Fights and arguments, loss of friends or lovers, due to drinking.
- Drinking alone to relieve anxiety, depressions, boredom or loneliness.
- Drinking to feel socially confident.

## **WHY IS ALCOHOL CONSIDERED A DANGEROUS DRUG?**

The consumption of alcohol is considered by some experts to be the leading cause of death in the U.S. Today.

Alcohol is a drug that significantly affects all body systems, contributing to the incidence of cancer, heart disease, liver disease, digestive disorders, and brain dysfunction. In fact, its contributions to these problems is greater than that of any other known legal or illegal drug.

Alcohol impairs judgment in very specific ways: it may make one "feel" as if he or she is doing better than he or she is. You feel more attractive, wittier, and more in control of the situation – thus, the temptation to take extraordinary risks. The awareness of being impaired is reduced!

## **RESOURCES:**

Assistance and information can be obtained from the following:

### **PURCHASE COLLEGE:**

Counseling Center - (914) 251-6390

Director of Wellness - (914) 251-6665

Wellness Counselor - (914) 251-6657



Health Services - (914) 251-6380  
University Police - (914) 251-6900  
Student Affairs - (914) 251-6030  
Residence Life - (914) 251-6320  
Human Resources - (914) 251-6090  
Employee Assistance Coordinator - (914) 251-6098

**OFF CAMPUS:**

Alcoholics Anonymous - (914) 949-1200  
Al-Anon - (914) 946-1748  
Cocaine/Crack Hotline - (800) COCAINE  
National Council on Alcoholism and Other Drugs - (914) 683-1213  
Narcotics Anonymous - (718) 601-5817

To request a copy of the Biennial Review in its entirety, please contact one of the following:

[SAF@purchase.edu](mailto:SAF@purchase.edu)

[Wellness@purchase.edu](mailto:Wellness@purchase.edu)

[Human.resources@purchase.edu](mailto:Human.resources@purchase.edu)

[EAP@purchase.edu](mailto:EAP@purchase.edu)

**DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE PROGRAMS UNDER THE DRUG FREE SCHOOLS  
COMMUNITY ACT (DFSCA)**

<https://www.purchase.edu/offices/nysup/community-services/drug-and-alcohol-abuse-programs/index.php>

<https://www.purchase.edu/offices/wellness-center/online-classes/alcoholodu/index.php>

**HATE OR BIAS CRIMES**

Purchase College strives to protect all members of the campus community by prosecuting bias or hate crimes that occur within the campus jurisdiction.

Hate crimes, also called bias crimes or bias-related crimes, are criminal activity motivated by the perpetrator's bias or attitude against an individual victim or group based on perceived or actual personal characteristics, such as national origin, color, race, age, religion or creed, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, veteran status, marital status, or disability. Hate/bias crimes are against the law and Purchase College policy. Copies of the New York Law are available at <http://ypdcrime.com/penal.law/article485.htm#p485-05>

Penalties for bias-related crimes are very serious and range from fines to imprisonment for lengthy periods, depending on the nature of the underlying criminal offense, the use of violence or previous convictions of the offender. Perpetrators who are students will also be subject to campus disciplinary procedures where sanctions, including dismissal, are possible.

### **HATE OR BIAS-RELATED INCIDENTS**

Purchase College strives to protect all members of the campus community by prosecuting bias or hate crimes that occur within the campus jurisdiction. In addition to preventing and prosecuting hate/bias crimes, the New York State University Police at Purchase College also assist in addressing bias-related activities that do not rise to the level of a crime. These activities, referred to as bias incidents and defined by the University as acts of harassment and/or threatens or intimidation directed at a member or group within the Purchase College community based on national origin, ethnicity, race, age, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability, veteran status, color, creed, or marital status, may be addressed through the Purchase College's campus code of conduct and policy.

### **PROCEDURES TO INITIATE A FORMAL COMPLAINT**

If you are a victim of or witness to a hate/bias crime or incident on campus, report it to any or all of the following:

**STEPS TO MAKING A REPORT** (see page 23).

### **SEXUAL VIOLENCE RESPONSE POLICY**

In accordance with the Students' Bill of Rights, reporting individuals shall have the right to pursue more than one of the options below at the same time, or to choose not to participate in any of the options below:

#### **I- Reporting:**

- To disclose confidentially the incident to one of the following college officials, who by law may maintain confidentiality, and can assist in obtaining services (more information on confidential report is available in the Options for Confidentially Disclosing Sexual Violence Policy):
  - Counseling Center: 914-251-6390 or [counseling@purchase.edu](mailto:counseling@purchase.edu)
  - Health Services: 914-251-6380 or [hse@purchase.edu](mailto:hse@purchase.edu)
  - Wellness Center: 914-251-6665 or [wellness@purchase.edu](mailto:wellness@purchase.edu)
  - Victims' Advocate: 914-251-6390 or [catherine.vanbomel@purchase.edu](mailto:catherine.vanbomel@purchase.edu)
  - Employee Assistance Coordinator: 914-251-6098 or [EAP@purchase.edu](mailto:EAP@purchase.edu) (for employees)
  - Anonymously via an internet or telephone anonymous reporting system – Anonymous Silent Witness questionnaire – 914-251-6868;

- To disclose confidentially the incident and obtain services from the New York State, New York City or county hotlines: <http://www.opdv.ny.gov/help/dvhotlines.html>. Additional disclosure and assistance options are catalogued by the Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and presented in several languages: <http://www.opdv.ny.gov/help/index.html> (or by calling 1-800-942-6906), and assistance can also be obtained through:
  - SurvJustice: <http://www.survjustice.org/services.html>;
  - Legal Momentum: <https://www.legalmomentum.org/>;
  - NYSCASA: <http://nyscasa.org/>
  - NYSCADV: <http://www.nyscadv.org/>;
  - Pandora's Project: <http://www.pandys.org/lgbtsurvivors.html>;
  - GLBTQ Domestic Violence Project: <http://www.glbtqdv.org/>; and
  - RAINN: <https://www.rainn.org/get-help>.
  - Safe Horizons: <http://www.safehorizon.org/>.

(Note that these hotlines are for crisis intervention, resources, and referrals, and are not reporting mechanisms, meaning that disclosure on a call to a hotline does not provide any information to the campus. Reporting individuals are encouraged to additionally contact a campus confidential or private resource so that the campus can take appropriate action in these cases).

- To disclose the incident to one of the following college officials who can offer privacy and can provide information about remedies, accommodations, evidence preservation, and how to obtain resources. Those officials will also provide the information contained in the Students' Bill of Rights, including the right to choose when and where to report, to be protected by the institution from retaliation, and to receive assistance and resources from the institution. These college officials will disclose that they are private and not confidential resources, and they may still be required by law and college policy to inform one or more college officials about the incident, including but not limited to the Title IX Coordinator. They will notify reporting individuals that the criminal justice process uses different standards of proof and evidence than internal procedures, and that questions about the penal law or the criminal process should be directed to law enforcement or district attorney,:
  - Title IX Investigator: 914-251-5982 or [titleix@purchase.edu](mailto:titleix@purchase.edu)
  - Title IX Coordinator: 914-251-6086 or [titleix@purchase.edu](mailto:titleix@purchase.edu)
  - Community Standards: 914-251-6033 or [saf.conduct@purchase.edu](mailto:saf.conduct@purchase.edu)
  - Human Resources: 914-251-6090 or [human.resources@purchase.edu](mailto:human.resources@purchase.edu)
  - University Police: 914-251-6911 (24/7 emergencies) or [upd@purchase.edu](mailto:upd@purchase.edu)
- To file a criminal complaint with University Police and/or with local law enforcement and/or state police:

- University Police: 914-251-6911 (24/7 emergencies) or [upd@purchase.edu](mailto:upd@purchase.edu)
- Harrison Police Department, 650 North Street, Harrison, NY 10528, 914-967-5111
- State police 24-hour hotline to report sexual assault on a NY college campus: 1-844-845-7269.
- To receive assistance by the Counseling Center (914-251-6390 or [counseling@purchase.edu](mailto:counseling@purchase.edu)) or University Police (914-251-6900 or [upd@purchase.edu](mailto:upd@purchase.edu) in initiating legal proceedings in family court or civil court.
- To file a report of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking, and/or talk to the Title IX Investigator or the Title IX Coordinator for information and assistance. Reports will be investigated in accordance with Purchase College policy and the reporting individual's identity shall remain private at all times if said reporting individual wishes to maintain privacy. If a reporting individual wishes to keep his/her identity anonymous, he or she may call the Anonymous Silent Witness (914-251-6868) through UPD anonymously to discuss the situation and available options:
  - Jeremy (J.T.) Delich  
Title IX Investigator  
Purchase College  
735 Anderson Hill Road  
Purchase, NY 10577  
914-251-5982  
[titleix@purchase.edu](mailto:titleix@purchase.edu)
  - Ricardo Espinales  
Interim Title IX Coordinator  
Purchase College  
735 Anderson Hill Road  
Purchase, NY 10577  
914-251-6086  
[titleix@purchase.edu](mailto:titleix@purchase.edu)

## **TITLE IX: If You Have Experienced Sexual Assault**

### **Your Options:**

- You may pursue a **criminal complaint** with law enforcement.
- You may pursue **student disciplinary charges** against the perpetrator.
- You may file a **report of discrimination** with the Title IX coordinator.
- You may pursue **more than one option** at the same time.
- You may choose not to pursue a complaint or report, and **still obtain assistance and accommodations.**

To review these options in more detail, please visit the Purchase College Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Policy: <https://www.purchase.edu/title-ix/if-you-have-experienced-sexual-assault/>

- When the accused is an employee, a reporting individual may also report the incident to the Human Resources or may request that one of the above referenced confidential or private employees assist in reporting to Employee Relations or Human Resources. Disciplinary proceedings will be conducted in accordance with applicable collective bargaining agreements. When the accused is an employee of an affiliated entity or vendor of the college, college officials will, at the request of the reporting individual, assist in reporting to the appropriate office of the vendor or affiliated entity and, if the response of the vendor or affiliated entity is not sufficient, assist in obtaining a persona non grata letter, subject to legal requirements and college policy.
  - Office of Human Resources  
Purchase College  
735 Anderson Hill Road  
Purchase, NY 10577  
914-251-6090  
[human.resources@purchase.edu](mailto:human.resources@purchase.edu)
- You may withdraw your complaint or involvement from the Purchase College process at any time.
- Every college shall ensure that, at a minimum, at the first instance of disclosure by a reporting individual to a college representative, the following information shall be presented to the reporting individual: "You have the right to make a report to University Police or Campus Security, local law enforcement, and/or State Police or choose not to report; to report the incident to your institution; to be protected by the institution from retaliation for reporting an incident; and to receive assistance and resources from your institution."

## II- Resources:

- To obtain effective intervention services.
  - Counseling Center: 914-251-6390 or [counseling@purchase.edu](mailto:counseling@purchase.edu) (No charge or fee).
  - Health Services: 914-251-6380 or [hse@purchase.edu](mailto:hse@purchase.edu). Sexual contact can transmit Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI) and may result in pregnancy. Testing for STIs is free at Health Services but are sent to commercial laboratories that charge one's insurance. Emergency contraception is available at Health Services for \$12.00. Health Services is located on the bottom floor of Campus Center South.
  - Wellness Center: 914-251-6665 or [wellness@purchase.edu](mailto:wellness@purchase.edu). (No charge or fee)
  - Victim Assistance Services of Westchester Community Opportunity Program: 914-345-3113 or [vmarkouizos@westcop.org](mailto:vmarkouizos@westcop.org)
    - Within 96 hours of an assault, you can get a Sexual Assault Forensic Examination (commonly referred to as a rape kit) at a hospital. While there should be no charge for a rape kit, there may be a charge for medical or counseling services off campus and, in



some cases, insurance may be billed for services. You are encouraged to let hospital personnel know if you do not want your insurance policyholder to be notified about your access to these services. The New York State Office of Victim Services may be able to assist in compensating victims/survivors for health care and counseling services, including emergency funds. More information may be found here: <https://ovs.ny.gov/help-crime-victims> or by calling 1-800-247-8035.

- To best preserve evidence, victims/survivors should avoid showering, washing, changing clothes, combing hair, drinking, eating, or doing anything to alter physical appearance until after a physical exam has been completed.

### **III- Protection and Accommodations:**

- When parties are students, to have the college issue a “No Contact Order,” consistent with college policy and procedure, meaning that continuing to contact the protected individual is a violation of college policy subject to additional conduct charges; if the accused and a protected person observe each other in a public place, it is the responsibility of the accused to leave the area immediately and without directly contacting the protected person. Both the accused/respondent and reporting individual may request a prompt review of the need for and terms of a No Contact Order, consistent with Purchase College policy. Parties may submit evidence in support of their request.
  - To have assistance from University Police or other college officials in initiating legal proceedings in family court or civil court, including but not limited to obtaining an Order of Protection or, if outside of New York State, an equivalent protective or restraining order.
  - To receive a copy of the Order of Protection or equivalent and have an opportunity to meet or speak with a college official who can explain the order and answer questions about it, including information from the Order about the accused’s responsibility to stay away from the protected person(s); that burden does not rest on the protected person(s).
  - To an explanation of the consequences for violating these orders, including but not limited to arrest, additional conduct charges, and interim suspension.
  - To have assistance from University Police in effecting an arrest when an individual violates an Order of Protection or, if outside of New York State, an equivalent protective or restraining order within the jurisdiction of University Police or, if outside of the jurisdiction or to call on and assist local law enforcement in effecting an arrest for violating such an order.
  - When the accused is a student and presents a continuing threat to the health and safety of the community, to have the accused subject to interim suspension pending the outcome of a conduct process. Parties may request a prompt review of the need for and terms of an interim suspension.
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- When the accused is not a student but is a member of the college community and presents a continuing threat to the health and safety of the community, to subject the accused to interim

measures in accordance with applicable collective bargaining agreements, employee handbooks, and Purchase College policies and rules.

- When the accused is not a member of the college community, to have assistance from University Police or other college officials in obtaining a persona non grata letter, subject to legal requirements and college policy.
- To obtain reasonable and available interim measures and accommodations that effect a change in academic, housing, employment, transportation, or other applicable arrangements in order to ensure safety, prevent retaliation, and avoid an ongoing hostile environment. Parties may request a prompt review of the need for and terms of any interim measures and accommodations that directly affect them. While reporting individuals may request accommodations through any of the offices referenced in this policy, the following office can serve as a point to assist with these measures:

Jeremy (J.T.) Delich  
Title IX Investigator  
Purchase College  
735 Anderson Hill Road  
Purchase, NY 10577  
914-251-5982  
titleix@purchase.edu  
Ricardo Espinales  
Interim Title IX Coordinator  
Purchase College  
735 Anderson Hill Road  
Purchase, NY 10577  
914-251-6086  
titleix@purchase.edu

## IV- Student Conduct Process

This information will be added here soon. To see the current processes, **please the Office of Community Standards webpage for procedures for hearing alleged violations related to sexual misconduct, sex discrimination, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking.**

**You have the right to make a report to the University Police or Campus Security, local law enforcement, and/or State Police or choose not to report; to report the incident to your institution; to be protected by the institution from retaliation for reporting an incident; and to receive assistance and resources from your institution.**

**SUNY strictly prohibits the offenses of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.**

The State University of New York and Purchase College are committed to providing options, support, and assistance to victims/survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking to ensure that they can continue to participate in college/university-wide and campus programs, activities, and employment. All victims/survivors of these crimes and violations, regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, age, disability, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, familial status, pregnancy, predisposing genetic characteristics, military status, domestic violence victim status, or criminal conviction, have the following rights, regardless of whether the crime or violation occurs on campus, off campus, or while studying abroad:

**All students have the right to:**

1. Make a report to local law enforcement and/or state police.
2. Have disclosures of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and sexual assault treated seriously.
3. Make a decision about whether or not to disclose a crime or violation and participate in the judicial or conduct process and/or criminal justice process free from pressure from the institution.
4. Participate in a process that is fair, impartial, and provides adequate notice and a meaningful opportunity to be heard.
5. Be treated with dignity and to receive from the institution courteous, fair, and respectful health care and counseling services, where available.
6. Be free from any suggestion that the reporting individual is at fault when these crimes and violations are committed, or should have acted in a different manner to avoid such crimes or violations.
7. Describe the incident to as few institutional representatives as practicable and not to be required to unnecessarily repeat a description of the incident.
8. Be free from retaliation by the institution, the accused and/or the respondent, and/or their friends, family, and acquaintances within the jurisdiction of the institution.
9. Access to at least one level of appeal of a determination.
10. Be accompanied by an advisor of choice who may assist and advise a reporting individual, accused, or respondent throughout the judicial or conduct process including during all meetings and hearings related to such process.
11. Exercise civil rights and practice of religion without interference by the investigative, criminal justice, or judicial or conduct process of the college.

**Options in Brief:**

**Victims/survivors have many options that can be pursued simultaneously, including one or more of the following:**

- Receive resources, such as counseling and medical attention.

Confidentially or anonymously disclose a crime or violation (for detailed information on confidentiality and privacy, refer to [Options for Confidentially Disclosing Sexual Violence](#)).

**On-campus Confidential Resources include:**

**For Students:**

- Counseling Center: (914) 251-6390 or [counseling@purchase.edu](mailto:counseling@purchase.edu)
- Health Services: (914) 251-6380 or [hse@purchase.edu](mailto:hse@purchase.edu)
- Wellness Center: (914) 251-6665 or [wellness@purchase.edu](mailto:wellness@purchase.edu)

**For Employees:**

- Employee Assistance Coordinator: 914-251-6098 or [EAP@purchase.edu](mailto:EAP@purchase.edu)

**Off-Campus Confidential Resources include:**

- Victim Assistance Services of Westchester Community Opportunity Program: (914) 345-3113 or [vmarkouizos@westcop.org](mailto:vmarkouizos@westcop.org)

**Anonymous Resources:**

- UPD Silent Witness Anonymous Tip Line (on-campus): (914) 251-6868
- New York State Hotline for Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence: 1 (800) 942-6906

**Make a report to:**

- An employee with the authority to address complaints, including:
  - Title IX Investigator: (914) 251-5982 or [titleix@purchase.edu](mailto:titleix@purchase.edu)
  - Community Standards: (914) 251-6033 or [saf.conduct@purchase.edu](mailto:saf.conduct@purchase.edu)
  - Human Resources: (914) 251-6090 or [human.resources@purchase.edu](mailto:human.resources@purchase.edu)
- State University Police: (914) 251-6911 (emergencies) or [upd@purchase.edu](mailto:upd@purchase.edu)
- Family Court or Civil Court; and/or
- Local law enforcement:
  - State Police Troop K: 914-769-2600  
200 Bradhurst Avenue #2 Hawthorne NY 10532
  - Harrison Police Department 914-967-5111  
650 North Street  
Harrison, NY 10528

Copies of this Bill of Rights shall be distributed annually to students, made available on every college's website, and posted in each campus residence hall, dining hall, and student union or campus center and shall include links or information to access the [Sexual Violence Response Policy](#) and [Options for Confidentially Disclosing Sexual Violence](#).

## **OPTIONS FOR CONFIDENTIALLY DISCLOSING SEXUAL VIOLENCE**

### **In this Policy:**

- Privileged and Confidential Resources
- Nonprofessional Counselors and Advocates
- Privacy versus Confidentiality
- Requesting Confidentiality: How the College/University Will Weigh the Request and Respond
- Public Awareness/Advocacy Events
- Anonymous Disclosure
- Institutional Crime Reporting

### **Privileged and Confidential Resources:**

Individuals who are *confidential* resources will not report crimes to law enforcement or college officials without your permission, except for extreme circumstances, such as a health and/or safety emergency. At Purchase College, the following are confidential resources for students:

Counseling Center: **914-251-6390** or [counseling@purchase.edu](mailto:counseling@purchase.edu)

Health Services: **914-251-6380** or [hse@purchase.edu](mailto:hse@purchase.edu)

Wellness Center: **914-251-6665** or [wellness@purchase.edu](mailto:wellness@purchase.edu)

Victims' Advocate: **914-251-6390** or [catherine.vanbomel@purchase.edu](mailto:catherine.vanbomel@purchase.edu)

Employees seeking a confidential resource can contact the [Employee Assistance Coordinator](#): (914) 251-6098 or [EAP@purchase.edu](mailto:EAP@purchase.edu).

Off-campus options to disclose sexual violence *confidentially* for students and employees include (note that these outside options do not provide any information to the campus):

- Off-campus counselors and advocates. Crisis services offices will generally maintain confidentiality unless you request disclosure and sign a consent or waiver form. More information on an agency's policies on confidentiality may be obtained directly from the agency:



Victim Assistance Services of Westchester Community Opportunity Program  
2 Westchester Plaza, Elmsford, NY 10523  
(914) 345-3113 Office  
(914) 345-3513 Fax  
855-VAS-CALL Hotline  
(914) 345-9111 Hotline  
Contact: Victoria Markouizos (manager), [vmarkouizos@westcop.org](mailto:vmarkouizos@westcop.org)

#### **Off-Campus Health Care Providers:**

Note that medical office and insurance billing practices may reveal information to the insurance policyholder, including medication and/or examinations paid for or administered. The New York State Office of Victim Services may be able to assist in compensating victims/survivors for health care and counseling services, including emergency compensation.

- More information may be found here, <https://ovs.ny.gov/sites/default/files/brochure/ovs-brochure-final-web.pdf> or by calling 1 (800) 247-8035.
- Options are explained here: <https://ovs.ny.gov/help-crime-victims>

Note that even individuals who can typically maintain confidentiality are subject to exceptions under the law, including when an individual is a threat to him or herself or others and the mandatory reporting of child abuse.

#### **Privacy versus Confidentiality:**

Even Purchase College offices and employees who cannot guarantee *confidentiality* will maintain your *privacy* to the greatest extent possible. The information you provide to a nonconfidential resource will be relayed only as necessary to investigate and/or seek a resolution and to notify the Title IX investigator or designee, who is responsible under the law for tracking patterns and spotting systemic issues. Purchase College will limit the disclosure as much as possible, even if the Title IX Investigator determines that the request for confidentiality cannot be honored.

### **Requesting Confidentiality:**

#### **How Purchase College Will Weigh the Request and Respond:**

If you disclose an incident to a Purchase College employee who is responsible for responding to or reporting sexual violence or sexual harassment, but wish to maintain confidentiality or do not consent to the institution's request to initiate an investigation, the Title IX Investigator must weigh your request against our obligation to provide a safe, nondiscriminatory environment for all members of our community, including you.

We will assist you with academic, housing, transportation, employment, and other reasonable and available accommodations regardless of your reporting choices. While reporting individuals may request accommodations through several college offices, the Title IX Investigator can serve as a primary point of contact to assist with these measures:

#### **JT Delich**

**Title IX Investigator and Assistant Affirmation Action Officer**

**(914) 251-5982**

**[Jeremy.delich@purchase.edu](mailto:Jeremy.delich@purchase.edu)**

We also may take proactive steps, such as training or awareness efforts, to combat sexual violence in a general way that does not identify you or the situation you disclosed.

We may seek consent from you prior to conducting an investigation. You may decline to consent to an investigation, and that determination will be honored unless Purchase College's failure to act does not adequately mitigate the risk of harm to you or other members of the college community. Honoring your request may limit our ability to meaningfully investigate and pursue conduct action against an accused individual. If we determine that an investigation is required, we will notify you and take immediate action as necessary to protect and assist you.

When you disclose an incident to someone who is responsible for responding to or reporting sexual violence or sexual harassment, but wish to maintain confidentiality, Purchase College will consider many factors to determine whether to proceed despite that request. These factors include, but are not limited to:

- Whether the accused has a history of violent behavior or is a repeat offender.
- Whether the incident represents escalation, such as a situation that previously involved sustained stalking.
- The increased risk that the accused will commit additional acts of violence
- Whether the accused used a weapon or force

- Whether the victim/survivor is a minor; and
- Whether we possess other means to obtain evidence, such as security footage, and whether the report reveals a pattern of perpetration at a given location or by a particular group.

If the Purchase College determines that it must move forward with an investigation, the reporting individual or victim/survivor will be notified and the Purchase College will take immediate action as necessary to protect and assist them.

#### **Public Awareness/Advocacy Events:**

If you disclose a situation through a public awareness event such as “Take Back the Night,” candlelight vigils, protests, or other public event, Purchase College is not obligated to begin an investigation. The college may use the information you provide to inform the need for additional education and prevention efforts.

#### **Anonymous Disclosure:**

For an on-campus anonymous reporting resource, you may call the UPD Silent Witness Anonymous Tip Line (on campus), (914) 251-6868, or complete an [Anonymous Silent Witness questionnaire](#).

You may also call the New York State Hotline for Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence, 1 (800) 942-6906. The Hotline is for crisis intervention, resources, and referrals and is not a reporting mechanism.

#### **Institutional Crime Reporting:**

Reports of certain crimes occurring in certain geographic locations will be included in the Purchase College Clery Act Annual Security Report in an anonymized manner that neither identifies the specifics of the crime or the identity of a reporting individual.

Purchase College is obligated to issue timely warnings of Clery Act crimes occurring within relevant geography that represent a serious or continuing threat to students and employees (subject to exceptions when potentially compromising law enforcement efforts and when the warning itself could potentially identify the reporting individual or victim/survivor). A reporting individual will never be identified in a timely warning.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act allows institutions to share information with parents when (1) there is a health or safety emergency, or (2) when the student is a dependent on either parents’ prior year federal income tax return. Generally, Purchase College will not share information about a report of sexual violence with parents without the permission of the reporting individual.

**ON-CAMPUS CONFIDENTIAL RESOURCES INCLUDE:**

**FOR STUDENTS:**

<b>THE COUNSELING CENTER</b> <a href="https://www.purchase.edu/counseling-center/index.php">https://www.purchase.edu/counseling-center/index.php</a>	914-251-6390	HUMANITIES BUILDING, BASEMENT LEVEL, ON LINCOLN AVE. ACROSS FROM CENTRAL 3 PARKING LOT
<b>HEALTH SERVICES CENTER</b> <a href="https://www.purchase.edu/offices/health-services/index.php">https://www.purchase.edu/offices/health-services/index.php</a>	914-251-6380	CAMPUS CENTER SOUTH—LOWER LEVEL ENTRANCE FROM CENTRAL 3 PARKING LOT
<b>THE WELLNESS CENTER</b> <a href="https://www.purchase.edu/offices/wellness-center/index.php">https://www.purchase.edu/offices/wellness-center/index.php</a>	914-251-6665	FORT AWESOME RM. 134
<b>HILLELS OF WESTCHESTER</b> <a href="http://www.hillelsofwestchester.org/campus/purchase-college/about-us">http://www.hillelsofwestchester.org/campus/purchase-college/about-us</a>	914-251-6498	CAMPUS CENTER NORTH RM. 0003 (BASEMENT)

**FOR EMPLOYEES:**

<b>NYS EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM</b> <a href="https://www.purchase.edu/offices/employee-assistance-program/index.php">https://www.purchase.edu/offices/employee-assistance-program/index.php</a>	914-251-6098	STUDENT SERVICES BLDG. RM. 320
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**OFF-CAMPUS CONFIDENTIAL RESOURCES INCLUDE:**

**VICTIM ASSISTANCE SERVICES OF WESTCHESTER COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM:**

914-345-3113 or [vmarkouizos@westcop.org](mailto:vmarkouizos@westcop.org)

**ANONYMOUS RESOURCES:**

UPD Silent Witness Anonymous Tip Line (on-campus) link on UPD website

New York State Hotline for Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence: 1-800-942-6906

**MAKE A REPORT TO:**

An employee with the authority to address complaints, including:

Title IX Investigator and Asst. Affirmative Action Officer: 914-251-5982 or [jeremy.delich@purchase.edu](mailto:jeremy.delich@purchase.edu)

Community Standards: 914-251-6033 or [saf.conduct@purchase.edu](mailto:saf.conduct@purchase.edu)

Human Resources: 914-251-6090 or [human.resources@purchase.edu](mailto:human.resources@purchase.edu)

State University Police: 914-251-6911 (emergencies) or [upd@purchase.edu](mailto:upd@purchase.edu)

Family Court or Civil Court; and/or:

- **Harrison PD:** 914-967-5111  
650 North Street Harrison, NY 10528
- **Rye Brook PD:** 914-939-1121  
938 King Street Portchester, NY 10573
- **Port Chester PD:** 914-939-1000  
350 North Main Street #1 Portchester, NY 10573
- **White Plains PD:** 914-422-6111  
77 South Lexington Ave. White Plains, NY 10601
- **Westchester County PD:** 914-864-7700  
1 Saw Mill River Parkway Hawthorne, NY 10532
- **New York State Police:** 914-769-2600  
200 Bradhurst Ave. #2 Hawthorne, NY 10532
- **Yonkers PD:** 914-377-7900  
104 South Broadway Yonkers, NY 10701

Copies of this Bill of Rights shall be distributed annually to students, made available on every college's website, and posted in each campus residence hall, dining hall, and student union or campus center and shall include links or information to access the Sexual Violence Response Policy and [Options for Confidentially Disclosing Sexual Violence](#) page.

## **OFFICE OF COMMUNITY STANDARDS**

### **HEARING PROCEDURES FOR ALLEGED VIOLATIONS RELATED TO SEXUAL MISCONDUCT, SEX DISCRIMINATION, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, AND/OR STALKING**

In consideration of the traumatic nature of incidents of sexual/physical aggressive/violent behavior, the College will conduct a timely review of complaints of sexual misconduct, sex discrimination, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking. Absent extenuating circumstances, review and resolution is expected to take place within sixty (60) calendar days from receipt of the complaint.

### **CODE OF CONDUCT VIOLATIONS & SANCTIONS RELATED TO SEXUAL MISCONDUCT, SEX DISCRIMINATION, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, AND/OR STALKING**

[Section C](#) of the Student Code of Conduct addresses sexual misconduct violations. The College considers sexual misconduct, sex discrimination, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking as extremely serious violations and subject to disciplinary probation, suspension, and/or expulsion from the College. In such cases, an interim suspension from the University may also be considered. To learn more regarding these violations, please visit: <https://www.purchase.edu/offices/community-standards/student-code-of-conduct/index.php> and to learn more about sanctions please visit: <https://www.purchase.edu/offices/community-standards/hearing-information/>



### **AFFIRMATIVE CONSENT/AMNESTY**

For definitions of Affirmative Consent and the Amnesty Policy pertaining to sexual misconduct, please visit the [Sexual Violence Prevention & Response page](#)

### **ACCOMMODATIONS OFFERED AT THE TIME OF COMPLAINT AND/OR APPLICATION OF CHARGES:**

In cases of sexual/ physical aggressive/violent behavior, complainants and accused students may request any or all of the following accommodations:

- a. To confidentially discuss an incident with a staff member in Health Services regarding treatment options.
- b. To confidentially discuss an incident with a staff member in the Counseling Center. Complainants may also confidentially discuss an incident with an outside victim service agency regarding crisis services and options for filing charges and to freely choose whether or not to participate with formal discipline university.
- c. To request an administrative review to discuss modification of on-campus living arrangements, if applicable.
- d. To request an administrative review to discuss modification of academic/class arrangements, if applicable.
- e. To request a no contact order, or if appropriate, a Persona Non Grata Status.

### **CONFIDENTIAL RESOURCES:**

Students involved in a sexual misconduct, sex discrimination, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking cases can speak with the following offices confidentially. These resources are professionally bound to not report any information:

- Counseling Center: **914-251-6390**
- Wellness Center: **914-251-6665**
- Health Services: **914-251-6380**

Additionally, students can contact the following hotlines:

- 24hr Rape Crisis Hotline: **1-855-827-2255**
- Victim's Assistance Services: **914-345-9111**

### **TIMEFRAME OF NOTICE OF HEARING OR WAIVER OF HEARING:**

The complainant and accused will be notified as to whether a report will move forward to hearing or not within 1 week of receipt of the report(s) excluding any extenuating circumstances.

### **STANDARD OF PROOF:**

The standard of proof related to sexual misconduct, sex discrimination, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking is "the preponderance of the evidence." Ultimately, whether it is "more likely than not" that the sex discrimination, dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking

occurred. If the information presented meets this standard, then the accused must be found responsible.

**NON-RETALIATION STATEMENT:**

No member of the University community shall retaliate, intimidate, threaten, coerce or otherwise discriminate against a person who files a complaint, serves as a witness, assists, or participates in any way in a proceeding involving allegations of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence or stalking. Individuals who experience retaliation should report the incident to University Police at (914) 251-6900, the Director of Community Standards at 914-251-6033 and/or the Affirmative Action Officer at 914-251-5982.

**PERSONA NON GRATA STATUS (PNG):**

A person may not at any time for any purpose, be present on the campus of Purchase College, State University of New York, or be present at any college sponsored event on or off campus. No invitation from any person supersedes the Persona Non Grata status. If that person is found on the campus or at a sponsored event, they are subject to arrest for criminal trespass. You must make an appointment with the Chief of the New York State University Police or The President of the college (depending upon the nature of PNG) in order to inquire about granting your Persona Non Grata status to be lifted or vacated.

**NO CONTACT ORDER:**

A formal directive issued by the College requiring parties in any interpersonal conflict to have no direct or indirect interaction, including but not limited to telephone, letters, recordings, electronic communication (i.e. social media) or third party contact. A No Contact Order remains in effect until it is officially removed in writing by the College.

Please note that as per Office of Community Engagement policy, if you are roommates/suitemates/apartment-mates, both parties will be moved. There will be situations where certain accommodations will not allow for student moves to occur. The Office of Community Engagement will evaluate and decide the final outcome/relocation at its discretion

In cases involving allegations of sexual misconduct, sex discrimination, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking, when the accused is a student, the college may issue a "No Contact Order," meaning that attempts to contact the complainant is a violation of college policy subject to additional conduct charges. Additionally, if the accused and complainant observe each other in a public place, it is the responsibility of the accused to leave the area immediately and without directly contacting the complainant.

In any case, a violation of a No Contact Order should be reported to either the Office of Community Standards, the Office of Community Engagement, or University Police. A violation of a No Contact Order is subject to disciplinary action.

The Office of Community Standards is not a confidential resource, and we do not require a reason for a No Contact Order.

If you wish to request a No Contact order, have questions, or wish to have a review of the terms of the No Contact Order, please contact the Office of Community Standards at [saf.conduct@purchase.edu](mailto:saf.conduct@purchase.edu).

#### **ORDER OF PROTECTION/RESTRAINING ORDERS:**

Whether you're looking to file one or whether you are on the receiving end, it is important that you know the rules regarding restraining orders in New York State. Also known as orders of protection, restraining orders may be filed with the Family Court, or Criminal Court of the state of New York. They are used to limit the behavior of someone deemed threatening in any way. Situations that legally prompt filing a restraining order include but are not limited to threats of harm to someone or their family and verbal or written harassment.

#### **Types of Restraining Orders**

There are two main types of restraining orders: family and criminal. In all cases, a restraining order can be used to compel someone to stay away from certain people, certain locations, and it can be used to force someone to get rid of their gun(s).

#### **About Family Restraining Orders**

Family restraining orders are also known as civil restraining orders. They may only be filed against related individuals, current or former spouses, common parents of a child or anyone with whom you have had an "intimate relationship." Intimacy is determined by several factors including length of time you've known each other, how often you see each other and whether or not you are physically intimate. Family restraining orders are most commonly used in cases where domestic violence is present and are sometimes attached to divorce agreements, custody agreements or other affairs that go through Family Court.

#### **How to Get a Family Restraining Order**

To file a Family Court Order of Protection, it is best to go through a lawyer or domestic violence agency. They can help you file the necessary forms to prove that you are in need. Many DV agencies offer battered women's shelters for women suffering from domestic violence; this may be an important first step for you or your children.

### **About Criminal Restraining Orders**

Criminal restraining orders are similar to family restraining orders, but they are filed against individuals who have been arrested or who have a warrant out for their arrest. If you have been abused, assaulted or otherwise harmed, you may file for a restraining order through the New York Criminal Court.

### **Other Restraining Order Rules**

If somebody violates their restraining order, you should contact the police immediately. It is a crime to violate an order of protection, and this will result in the violator's arrest.

A New York Order of Protection is enforceable outside of the state of New York thanks to the Violence Against Women Act. Simply contact the police in whichever state you are currently. The same goes if you have an out-of-state restraining order in New York State.

■ by The Law Dictionary Staff

**IN CASES RELATED TO SEXUAL MISCONDUCT, SEXUAL HARASSMENT, SEX DISCRIMINATION, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, AND/OR STALKING (I.E., CASES THAT FALL UNDER TITLE IX AND/OR THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT) THE DISCIPLINARY PROCESS WILL PROCEED AS FOLLOWS:**

**FACT FINDING INVESTIGATION:** In cases related to sexual misconduct, sex discrimination, and sexual harassment (Title IX), a fact-finding inquiry will be conducted by the Investigator or designee. This fact-finding phase will include interviews with accused students, complainants/reporting parties, witnesses, and anyone who may have information related to the alleged incident. The information gathered through these interviews will be documented. To ensure timely processing of each case, the interview phase will not exceed one week except in rare extenuating circumstances. During the fact-finding phase, the College will implement appropriate remediation measures, including but not limited to interim-suspension, housing or academic accommodations, and/or No Contact Orders to ensure the safety of the college community. For more information, please visit: <https://www.purchase.edu/title-ix/index.php>

### **COMPLAINT RECEIVED/APPLICATION OF CHARGES:**

After a complaint is received related to sexual misconduct, sex discrimination, sexual harassment, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking, the Director of Community Standards or designee will review the report(s). If the college proceeds with the application of charges under the Code of Conduct, the Director of Community Standards will meet with both parties to discuss and explain the hearing process.

### **SEXUAL VIOLENCE HEARING/DISCIPLINE PREPARATION & RIGHTS:**

Throughout conduct proceedings, the accused (respondent) and the complainant (reporting individual) will have:

- The right to a prompt response to any complaint and to have the complaint investigated and adjudicated in an impartial and thorough manner by individuals who receive annual training in conducting investigations of sexual violence, the effects of trauma, and other issues related to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.
- The right to an investigation and disciplinary process conducted in a manner that recognizes the legal and policy requirements of due process (including fairness, impartiality, and a meaningful opportunity to be heard) and that is conducted by individuals with no conflict of interest.
- The right to receive written advance written or electronic notice of the date, time, and location of any meeting or hearing they are required or are eligible to attend. Accused individuals will also be informed of the factual allegations concerning the violation, the specific alleged violation(s) from the Student Code of Conduct, as well as the potential sanction(s) outlined for those violation(s) in the Student Code of Conduct.
- The right to be accompanied by an advisor of their choice who may assist and advise the parties throughout the discipline process and any related hearings or meetings. Participation of the advisor in any proceeding is governed by federal law and the Student Code of Conduct. A person who is a witness or is directly involved (complainant or accused) in the investigation or conduct case may not be an advisor of choice. Advisors may speak privately to the advisee, during any disciplinary proceeding. The complainant and accused student may request a break during any disciplinary proceeding to consult with the advisor which will be granted at the discretion of the Director of Community Standards or designee. Advisors for accused students and complainants may not present information or question witnesses. Accused students and complainants are responsible for presenting all information, documents, requests, and opening and closing statements.
- The right to have a conduct process run concurrently with a criminal justice investigation and proceeding, except for temporary delays as requested by external municipal entities while law enforcement gathers evidence. Temporary delays should not last more than 10 days except when law enforcement specifically requests and justifies a longer delay, and are granted at the discretion of the Director of Community Standards or designee.
- The right to offer evidence during an investigation and to review available relevant information in the case file held by the college.
- The right to choose a hearing committee composition. Please note that in the event that the complainant and accused students do not select the same hearing composition, the college will default to an administrative hearing. The hearing committee compositions are available online at [Hearing Information](#).



- The right to request a one-time extension of a disciplinary hearing that cannot exceed 5 business days. The complainant or accused must submit a request to the Office of Community Standards and the Director or designee will review the request and make a determination. The Office of Community Standards will notify the requesting party once the review is complete and confirm the acceptance or denial of the request.
- The right to exclude prior sexual history with persons other than the other party in the conduct process and their own mental health diagnosis or treatment from admittance in the college disciplinary stage that determines responsibility. Past findings of responsibility for domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and sexual assault pertaining to the accused will be admissible in the disciplinary stage that determines sanction. This information will be provided to the hearing board at the time sanctioning is determined.
- The right to a range of options for providing statements or questioning parties in the hearing via alternative arrangements, including telephone/videoconferencing or using a room partition.
- The right to simultaneous written or electronic notification of the outcome of a conduct proceeding. This includes the decision, sanctions (if applicable), and the rationale for the decisions or sanctions.
- The right to written or electronic notice of the charges that will be imposed under the Student Code of Conduct and the range of sanction(s) that may be imposed on the accused if found responsible through the disciplinary proceeding. In addition, both parties will be provided with the reasoning for the actual sanction imposed. For students found responsible for sexual assault, the available sanctions are suspension (which may include additional requirements) and expulsion.
- The right to ask questions of the committee or hearing officer(s) and ask questions indirectly via the hearing officer(s) or committee and request responses from other parties and witnesses present.
- The right to make an impact statement during the point of the proceeding where the hearing officer or committee is deliberating on appropriate sanctions. The impact statement should be a typed document placed in a sealed envelope that is given to the Office of the Community Standards at the time of the hearing. The Director of Community Standards or designee will read that statement to the hearing board at the time sanctioning is determined.
- The rights afforded to them in a hearing as outlined in the *Student Code of Conduct*. These rights include but are not limited to questioning witnesses, presenting incident and character witnesses, a support person, and to provide opening and closing statements. *Hearing Information*
- The right to present evidence and testimony at a hearing.
- The right to understand how the hearing will proceed. For example, the parties that will be present, how the hearing will be scheduled, and the estimated time commitment of the hearing.
- The right to appeal the outcome of a disciplinary hearing to an appeals board which includes at least one faculty member, staff member, and student, is fair and impartial, and does not include

any individuals with a conflict of interest. The grounds and procedures for appeal are available online at: [Appeal Information](#)

- The right to have access to a full and fair record of the conduct hearing, which shall be preserved and maintained for a minimum of seven years. For access to the record, the Office of Community Standards should be contacted at (914) 251-6027 or at [saf.conduct@purchase.edu](mailto:saf.conduct@purchase.edu) to schedule an appointment during normal operating hours to review the record.
- The right to choose whether to disclose or discuss the outcome of a conduct hearing. Please note that the unreasonable sharing of private information with the intention to harm or embarrass another individual, or in a manner that would recklessly do so regardless of intent, will be viewed as retaliation and may result in separate charges under the Student Code of Conduct.
- The right to have all information obtained during the course of the discipline process be protected from public release until the appeals board makes a final determination, unless otherwise required by law.

#### **PRESENTATION OF INFORMATION IN A HEARING:**

Witnesses and character witnesses (i.e. names, contact information, and/or written statements) to be presented by accused students or complainants during any hearing must be submitted at least 48 hours in advance of the scheduled hearing. The Director of Community Standards or designee will share any submitted information with accused students and complainants prior to the hearing. The hearing officers or procedural officers presiding at and/or hearing the case may exclude information that has not been shared or adjourn the hearing to afford all parties the opportunity to review the information to be presented during the hearing. The Director of Community Standards will make the final decision relating to the admissibility of all information.

**HEARING OUTCOME NOTIFICATION:** The complainant and accused will receive simultaneous written or electronic notice of the findings, sanctions imposed, and rationales for each, as well as notice of the appeal procedures available, any possible changes to the result that may occur through an appeal, and when the result becomes final. Accused students and complainants will be notified of the outcome of the hearing within three working days of the hearing except in rare extenuating circumstances.

#### **APPEAL PREPARATION:**

The Director for Community Standards or designee will meet with accused students and complainants to discuss and explain the appeal process. Parties will be made aware that they can write a statement of support for or a letter of appeal of the hearing outcome. Parties will be afforded three business days to submit a letter of appeal or support. Complainants and accused students will be made aware of:

- The options of a statement of support and a letter of appeal, and what each entails.
- The required grounds for appeal as outlined in the Student Code of Conduct
- The appeal process and who will review the case.
- Due dates for appeal and support letters, and submission requirements.

#### **APPEAL PROCESS AND NOTIFICATION:**

After the Appeal Board has reviewed the appeal, the accused student and the complainant will receive simultaneous written or electronic notification of the final decision of the college. This notification will occur within two working days of the receipt of the Appeal Board finding except in rare extenuating circumstances. For more information please [click here](#).

#### **OFF CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CAMPUS INTERVENTION**

When a student is involved in an off-campus offense, New York State University Police Officers may assist with the investigation in cooperation with local, state or federal law enforcement. This includes but not limited to the following law enforcement agencies:

- **Harrison PD:** 914-967-5111  
650 North Street Harrison, NY 10528
- **Rye Brook PD:** 914-939-1121  
938 King Street Portchester, NY 10573
- **Port Chester PD:** 914-939-1000  
350 North Main Street #1 Portchester, NY 10573
- **White Plains PD:** 914-422-6111  
77 South Lexington Ave. White Plains, NY 10601
- **Westchester County PD:** 914-864-7700  
1 Saw Mill River Parkway Hawthorne, NY 10532
- **New York State Police:** 914-769-2600  
200 Bradhurst Ave. #2 Hawthorne, NY 10532
- **Yonkers PD:** 914-377-7900  
104 South Broadway Yonkers, NY 10701


**The College does not recognize or permit any off-campus student groups, such as fraternal groups or sporting groups, to have official off-campus property.**

- Allegations of sexual assault should be investigated and evaluated by the appropriate criminal and civil authorities of the jurisdiction in which the sexual assault is reported;
- Victims shall receive full and prompt cooperation and assistance of campus personnel in notifying the proper authorities;
- Victims shall 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 personnel shall take reasonable and necessary actions to prevent further unwanted contact by victims' alleged assailants;
- Victims shall be notified of the options for and provided assistance in changing academic and living situations if such changes are reasonably available.

## WHAT YOU CAN DO IF YOU OR YOUR FRIEND IS SEXUALLY ASSAULTED:

Here at Purchase College, the New York University Police in conjunction with the Counseling Center, recognize that some students may feel conflicting emotions about notifying police regarding sexual assault. Therefore, students have the option of consulting with the Victim Advocate in the Counseling Center prior to or while reporting to the police.

### FOR IMMEDIATE HELP

- **Emergency & safety concerns:** CALL 911 or 914-251-6911 University Police
- **Get yourself to a safe place:** Friend's place, Hospital, Police
- **Save Evidence:** Try not to shower, wash, or change clothing
- **Seek immediate medical care:**  
 **WESTCHESTER MEDICAL CENTER FACT—Forensic Acute Care Team: 914-493-7000**

### • VICTIMS ADVOCATE

#### Victims Assistance Services

Office: (914) 345-3113

24 Hour Help Line: (914) 345-9111

Toll Free Hotline:

(855) VAS-CALL (827-2255)

[My Sisters' Place](#)

(914) 683-1333

- **Report the incident**

**UNIVERSITY POLICE (914) 251-6911**

**STUDENT AFFAIRS (914) 251-6030**

- **Seek counseling and support**

**COUNSELING SERVICES (914) 251-6390**

### HELP A FRIEND:


- **Be a supportive listener.**

Do not blame or judge.



- **Provide information and resources.**
- **Let them decide the next steps.** It is very important to allow your friend to gain back a sense of control over their body and environment.

- **Seek assistance for yourself.** Ask others for information and gain support so you can help the person you care about.

**MEDICAL PROVIDERS FACT SHEET**



**FACT**  
Forensic Acute Care Team

**A Center of Excellence in the evaluation of children, adolescents and adults presenting with concerns for sexual abuse/assault.**

**Which patients should be offered this service?**

<b>Concerns for</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possible bodily fluid exchange within 96 hours</li> <li>• Pain, bleeding and/or skin injury at any time</li> </ul>
<b>Ages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Westchester County — All ages</li> <li>• Outside Westchester County — Ages 0-18</li> </ul>

**How to Access Services**

Triage for medical stability

**CALL 1-866-GO-TO-WMC (1-866-468-6962)**

**Patient/Guardian chooses if they want to involve police.**

**If case warrants a report to the State Central Registry for Abuse/Neglect you must call 1-800-635-1522.**

## **Sexual Assault & Violence Response (SAVR) Resources**

SUNY takes reports of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking seriously. If you are a member of a SUNY community and have experienced any of the above, this Sexual Assault & Violence Response (SUNY SAVR) Resources Website provides you with information you can use to seek resources and support, and to report the crime to law enforcement and the campus.

SUNY students and employees have the right to make a report to University Police/Campus Security, local law enforcement, and/or the State Police or choose not to report; to report the incident to your college; to be protected by the college from retaliation for reporting an incident; and to receive assistance and resources from your college.

For more (SAVR) information and resources: <https://www.suny.edu/violence-response/>

## **Q & A**

**Q: If I tell a University faculty or professional that I was assaulted or raped do they have to tell someone and would they include my name when they tell?**

**A:** If you tell a faculty or professional you can request to remain anonymous. They do have to provide some information indicating an assault has occurred along with the date, time and general location of the incident. They cannot include your name or any other identifying information without your consent. Staff members should be able to provide you with or direct you to campus resources.

**Q: If I go to the hospital do I have to report it to the police?**

**A:** No, not in New York State. If you have a rape kit done it can be held for up to 30 days at the hospital while you decide whether or not, you want to pursue charges. The kit will not leave the hospital unless you file a report.

**Q: If I want to report an incident or file a complaint, whom should I call?**

**A:** You have several reporting options. To file a criminal report, call the University Police at 914-251-6900 (if the incident occurred off campus, please refer to the list of numbers on page 69). You may pursue a University judicial case through the Office of Community Standards 914-251-6027

Other reporting options include the:

Office Student Affairs 914-251-6030

Title IX Investigator, 914-251-5982, and

Office of Community Engagement 914-251-6020.

### **DO YOU KNOW?**

- Sexual assault is a broad term that includes: sexual exploitation, forcible touching, and rape.
- 90% of sexual assaults are committed by someone the victim knows.
- 50% of all sexual assaults involve alcohol use by at least one person.
- It can be considered a sexual assault even if there was no penetration of any oral, anal or genital opening.
- If you seek medical care at a hospital you can ask for financial assistance.
- Approximately 10% of those who are victims of rape at college are males.
- You can be sexually assaulted by your partner.
- If one or both of you were drinking it can still be considered a sexual assault

### **Make a personal pledge.**

- Pledge to never commit, condone, or remain silent about relationship violence and sexual violence.
- Choose to respect, listen to, seek equality with and share power with every person you go out with or decide to be intimate with.

Acknowledgment -White Ribbon Campaign Men Working to End Violence Against Women

### **RAINN (Rape Assault & Incest National Network)**

National 24 hr. Hotline **(800) 656-4673**

<https://rainn.org/>





## MEGAN'S LAW



**Dear New Yorker:**

Children in New York State are safer today from sexual predators than ever before thanks to Megan's Law.

Simply put, Megan's Law gives parents the upper hand to protect their children from sexual predators.

I urge you to use the Megan's Law Hotline to seek specific information about a registered sex offender living in your area.

Be advised, however, that you will be asked to provide the name, address or other forms of identifying information about the individual when you call.

Forewarned is forearmed, and I believe that Megan's Law gives the residents of New York State the information they need to keep their children from the grasp of sexual predators.

Sincerely,

Eric T. Schneiderman

There are more than 14,000 convicted sex offenders registered in New York State under the Sex Offender Registration Act, better known as "Megan's Law."

Under Megan's Law, sex offenders are required to register with the State after conviction, or if they serve time in prison, upon their release, and notify the registry when they relocate. Sex offenders who move to New York from another state also must register.

Megan's Law creates 3 levels of sex offenders: Level 1 (low risk), Level 2 (moderate risk), and Level 3 (high risk). Local law enforcement decides whether to notify the public about Level 2 and 3 offenders. No information may be given out about Level 1 offenders.

The public may inquire about registered sex offenders by asking your local police or calling:

**Megan's Law Hotline**

1-800-262-3257

8a.m.-5 p.m., Mon-Fri  
or Website

<http://criminaljustice.ny.gov>

No charge

## **SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRY**

The Sex Offender Registration Act requires the Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) to maintain a Sex Offender Registry. The Registry contains information on sex offenders classified according to their risk of re-offending: low-risk (Level 1), moderate-risk (Level 2) and high-risk (Level 3). The Act requires that the Division also maintain a Subdirectory of Level 3 Sex Offenders. The DCJS Sex Offender Registry site may be found on the web (See the link to the right) and contains their Subdirectory of Level 3 Sex Offenders as well as other information regarding New York State's Sex Offender Registry.

Sex offenders registered in New York are now required to notify the Registry of any institution of higher education at which he or she is, or expects to be, whether for compensation or not, enrolled, attending or employed, and whether such sex offender resides or expects to reside in a facility operated by the institution. Changes in status at the institution of higher education must also be reported to the Registry no later than ten days after such change.

The Division of Criminal Justice Services' Sex Offender Registry may be found at:

<http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/nsor/>

## 2016 Annual Fire Report

### 1. Residence 2016 Fire Statistics

Name of Residential Facility	On Campus Address	Number of Fires	Cause of Fire	Reason to Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries	Number of deaths	Property Damage
Dorms	Lincoln Ave & Brigid Flanigan East Rd	1	Suspected Arson	Trash Can	0	0	19,500
Outback	Lincoln Ave	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Fort Awesome	Lincoln Ave	1	Unintentional	Toaster	0	0	\$1-\$250
New Apts - Phase II	Phase II Drive	3	Unintentional Unintentional Unintentional	Cooking Cooking Candle	0	0	\$1.5-\$2 Mil \$1-\$250 \$1-\$250
Olde Apts - Phase I	Lincoln Ave & Brigid Flanigan East Rd	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Alumni Village	Brigid Flanigan East Rd	1	Unintentional	Cooking	0	0	\$1-\$250
Campus Center North 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor	Lincoln Ave	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0

### 2. Student Housing Facility Fire Safety Systems

Smoke/Heat Detectors are present in all student housing areas in accordance with the New York State Fire Code. Sprinkler protection is installed as follows:

Dormitories - partial

Outback - full

Fort Awesome – full

Phase I (Olde) – none

Phase II (New) – none

Alumni Village –full

Campus Center North – partial (partial indicates sprinklers located in janitor closets only)

3. Fire Drills in 2016

Residential Buildings - 194  
Other Buildings – 62

4. Policies regarding portable electrical appliances, smoking, and open flames in student housing facilities.

Following are prohibited in all residence areas and it is explained in the 2016-2017 License Agreement:

- Smoking in any residence area, or within 25 feet of the building—students will be billed up to \$270 for cleaning/painting should smoking occur in the living space
- Burning incense, candles, or any other open flame devices
- Cooking and cooking appliances (except a MicroFridge, coffee pot with auto shut-off feature, or hot pot) in residence hall areas. (this does not apply to apartments or kitchen suites in Outback).
- High wattage electrical equipment (i.e., halogen lamps, sun lamps, air conditioners, etc.)
- Firearms, explosives, weapons, fireworks, swords, bb/pellet/paint/air guns, daggers, Exacto knives, nunchakus, or other dangerous articles or substances injurious to person or property
- Flammable/combustible substances (Christmas trees, lighter fluid, propane, paper decorations, acetone, oil paints, paint thinner, flammable solvents, etc.)
- Gasoline operated vehicles
- Smoke/Fog machines
- Tampering with or disabling fire equipment, fire alarms, or fire exit doors are a violation of law as well as College policy

5. Evacuation procedures for student housing may be found at:

<https://www.purchase.edu/offices/environmental-health-and-safety/campus-fire-evacuation-procedures/>

6. Policies regarding fire safety education and training provided to students and employees

All residence rooms, suites, and apartments are provided with the fire evacuation plans for the specific area.

Office of Community Engagement Professionals and Paraprofessionals participated in a half-day Fire Safety training provided by the NY Fire Prevention and Control office and our campus Environmental Health & Safety Officer.

Residence Coordinators and Resident Assistants work with UPD to ensure proper completion of fire evacuation drills.

The Office of Community Engagement provided fire safety pot holders to place in every apartment kitchen unit on campus. The pot holder highlighted 6 Safe Cooking Tips:

1. Never leave any cooking food unattended and use a kitchen timer.
2. Turn pot handles into the center of the stove.
3. Always double check that you turned off the stove and oven.
4. Make sure your oven is clean and empty before preheating.
5. Keep cooking areas clean.
6. Never put water on a grease fire.

All students and staff living on campus received several communications from The Office of Community Engagement highlighting significant policies connected to fire safety, as well as regarding the fire safety equipment, such as sprinklers, in each residential space.

Additionally, a campus-wide fire safety day program was organized by The Olde RA staff in October.

7. Titles of each person or organization to which students and employees should report that a fire occurred.

Students and employees should report fires immediately to the University Police at extension 6911 (914-251-6911).

8. Plans for future improvements in fire safety.

Plans are underway to conduct a campus-wide fire safety awareness day.

We are planning to develop a more comprehensive fire safety training for all new students during Welcome Week in August. Additionally, we would require additional training for all students that are moving into an on-campus apartment regarding proper cooking/cleaning to minimize fire safety concerns. Additional paperwork needs to be installed on many residential spaces regarding the fire evacuation procedures, as well as routes in the residence halls.

Meetings between the campus Environmental Health & Safety Officer, Office of Community Engagement staff, facilities staff, University Police and the Office of Fire Prevention and Control are intended to develop new plans for the safety of campus constituents.

## 2015 Annual Fire Report

### Residence 2015 Fire Statistics

Name of Residential Facility	On Campus Address	Number of Fires	Cause of Fire	Reason to Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries	Number of deaths	Property Damage
Dorms	Lincoln Ave & Brigid Flanigan East Rd	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Outback	Lincoln Ave	1	Arson	Bulletin Board	0	0	\$50-100
Fort Awesome	Lincoln Ave	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
New Apts - Phase II	Phase II Drive	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Olde Apts - Phase I	Lincoln Ave & Brigid Flanigan East Rd	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Alumni Village	Brigid Flanigan East Rd	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Campus Center North	Lincoln Avenue	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0

### 9. Student Housing Facility Fire Safety Systems

Smoke/Heat Detectors are present in all student housing areas in accordance with the New York State Fire Code. Sprinkler protection is installed as follows:

Dormitories - partial

Outback - full

Fort Awesome – full

Phase I (Olde) – none

Phase II (New) – none

Alumni Village –full

Campus Center North – partial

(Partial indicates sprinklers located in janitor closets only)



**10. Fire Drills in 2015**

Residential Buildings - 133

Other Buildings – 68

**11. Policies regarding portable electrical appliances, smoking, and open flames in student housing facilities.**

Following are prohibited in all residence areas and it is explained in the 2015-2016 License Agreement:

- Smoking in any residence area, or within 25 feet of the building—students will be billed up to \$270 for cleaning/painting should smoking occur in the living space
- Burning incense, candles, or any other open flame devices
- Cooking and cooking appliances (except a MicroFridge, coffee pot with auto shut-off feature, or hot pot) in residence hall areas. (this does not apply to apartments or kitchen suites in Outback).
- High wattage electrical equipment (i.e., halogen lamps, sun lamps, air conditioners, etc.)
- Firearms, explosives, weapons, fireworks, swords, bb/pellet/paint/air guns, daggers, exacto knives, nunchakus, or other dangerous articles or substances injurious to person or property
- Flammable/combustible substances (Christmas trees, lighter fluid, propane, paper decorations, acetone, oil paints, paint thinner, flammable solvents, etc.)
- Gasoline operated vehicles
- Smoke/Fog machines
- Tampering with or disabling fire equipment, fire alarms, or fire exit doors are a violation of law as well as College policy

**12. Evacuation procedures for student housing may be found at:**

<http://www.purchase.edu/departments/HealthAndSafety/CampusFireEvacuationProcedures.aspx>

**13. Policies regarding fire safety education and training provided to students and employees**

All residence rooms, suites, and apartments are provided with the fire evacuation plans for the specific area.

Office of Community Engagement Professionals and Paraprofessionals participated in a half-day Fire Safety training provided by the NY Fire Prevention and Control office and our campus Environmental Health & Safety Officer.

Incorporate Resident Assistants to residential fire evacuation drills.

In August 2015, the Office of Community Engagement designed fire safety pot holders to place in every apartment kitchen unit on campus. The pot holder highlighted 6 Safe Cooking Tips:

1. Never leave any cooking food unattended and use a kitchen timer.
2. Turn pot handles into the center of the stove.
3. Always double check that you turned off the stove and oven.
4. Make sure your oven is clean and empty before preheating.
5. Keep cooking areas clean.
6. Never put water on a grease fire.

**14. Titles of each person or organization to which students and employees should report that a fire occurred.**

Students and employees should report fires immediately to the University Police at extension 6911 (914-251-6911).

**15. Plans for future improvements in fire safety.**

Plans are underway to conduct a campus-wide fire safety awareness day.

## 2014 ANNUAL FIRE REPORT

**Residence 2014 Fire Statistics:**

Name of Residential Facility	On Campus Address	Number of Fires	Cause of Fire	Reason to Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries	Number of deaths	Property Damage
Dorms	Lincoln Ave & Brigid Flanigan East Rd	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Outback	Lincoln Ave	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Fort Awesome	Lincoln Ave	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
New Apts - Phase II	Phase II Drive	1	Unintentional	Cooking	0	0	\$525
Olde Apts - Phase I	Lincoln Ave & Brigid Flanigan East Rd	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Alumni Village	Brigid Flanigan East Rd	2	Unintentional Unintentional	Cooking Cooking	0 0	0 0	\$95 0
Campus Center North	Lincoln Avenue	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0

**Student Housing Facility Fire Safety Systems:**

Smoke/Heat Detectors are present in all student housing areas in accordance with the New York State Fire Code. Sprinkler protection is installed as follows:

- Dormitories – partial
- Outback – full
- Fort Awesome – full
- Phase I (Olde) – none
- Phase II (New) – partial
- Alumni Village – full
- Campus Center North – partial \*(partial indicates sprinklers located in janitor closets only)

**16. Fire Drills in 2014:**

Residential Buildings – 48

Other Buildings – 66

**17. Policies regarding portable electrical appliances, smoking, and open flames in student housing facilities:**

Following are prohibited in all residence areas and it is explained in the 2013-2014 License Agreement:

- Smoking in any residence area, or within 25 feet of the building—students will be billed up to \$270 for cleaning/painting should smoking occur in the living space
- Burning incense, candles, or any other open flame devices
- Cooking and cooking appliances (except a Micro Fridge, coffee pot with auto shut-off feature, or hot pot) in residence hall areas. (this does not apply to apartments or kitchen suites in Outback).
- High wattage electrical equipment (i.e., halogen lamps, sun lamps, air conditioners, etc.)
- Firearms, explosives, weapons, fireworks, swords, bb/pellet/paint/air guns, daggers, exacto knives, nunchakus, or other dangerous articles or substances injurious to person or property
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- Smoke/Fog machines
- Tampering with or disabling fire equipment, fire alarms, or fire exit doors are a violation of law as well as College policy

**18. Evacuation procedures for student housing may be found at:**

<http://www.purchase.edu/departments/HealthAndSafety/CampusFireEvacuationProcedures.aspx>

**19. Policies regarding fire safety education and training provided to students and employees**

All residence rooms, suites, and apartments are provided with the fire evacuation plans for the specific area.

Office of Community Engagement Professionals and Paraprofessionals participated in a half-day Fire Safety training provided by the NY Fire Prevention and Control office and our campus Environmental Health & Safety Officer.

Incorporate Resident Assistants to residential fire evacuation drills.

- 20. Titles of each person or organization to which students and employees should report that a fire occurred. Students and employees should report fires immediately to the University Police at extension 6911 (914-251-6911).
- 21. Plans for future improvements in fire safety.
- 22. Plans are underway to conduct a campus-wide fire safety awareness day.

For more information on the **Annual Fire Report**, please contact:

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<https://www.purchase.edu/offices/environmental-health-and-safety/fire-safety/>

## CONCLUSION:

The New York State University Police Department collaborates closely with all relevant on and off campus offices, resources and agencies detailed in the above sections to generate this report. We have a memorandum of understanding with these agencies and work cohesively to provide the information you may need. The Annual Security Report aims to provide accurate and up-to-date information on campus policies, procedures, emergency management and statistics regarding campus crimes, offenses and programs. Purchase College encourages you to read the Annual Security Reports each year and direct any questions to the appropriate offices as listed within the report. The New York State University Police department can be reached directly at (914) 251-6900.

