

UNIVERSITY OF
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2016 Annual Security and
Fire Safety Report

A Message From Chief Aull:

Dear USA Community:

Choosing an institution of higher education is a major decision for students and their families. Along with academic, financial, and geographic considerations, the issue of campus safety is a vital concern. There is no higher priority for the University of South Alabama Police Department than the safety of our students, faculty, staff, and campus visitors. Although this has always been true, the University has been focusing even more attention into keeping the campus a safe place to learn, live, work, and play.

As the Chief of Police my highest priority is the safety of the University of South Alabama. This year, I am again pleased to report that through our cooperative efforts, we have been able to minimize the number of crimes that have occurred on the USA campus.

We want to give credit to the entire University community for taking an active role in campus safety. The "If You See Something, Do Something" campaign as well as our campus partnerships with the LiveSafe mobile safety app, have been a boon in improving our bystander intervention efforts and the reporting of crime and suspicious behavior in a timely manner.

Additionally, the Annual Security and Fire Safety Report contains statistical data for the three previous calendar years concerning reported crimes that occurred at the Main Campus, the hospitals (USA Medical Center and USA Children's & Women's Hospital), associated medical clinics, the USA Springhill Avenue Campus, as well as the Baldwin County Campuses in Fairhope and Gulfshores. Statistics for reported crimes on public property within or immediately adjacent to the Fairhope and Main campuses is included, along with fire data for all student residential facilities. Due to new federal regulations, statistics continue to be reported in three additional categories: domestic violence, dating violence and stalking. For definitions regarding these and other crime categories, please check the Clery definitions' section on page 24.

The report also includes information on notifications regarding emergency response and evacuation procedures, a missing student notification policy, and a section on fire safety and fire statistics.

Although USA is a safe campus, no campus in America is completely crime-free. We need your help to make sure that you and other members of the campus community remain safe and secure. Thank you for giving your careful attention to this important information.

Sincerely,



Zeke Aull
Chief of Police

If you See Something, say Do Something!

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The University of South Alabama Annual Campus Security and Fire Safety Report

Clery Act Requirements

The University of South Alabama Police Department has been designated as the department responsible for compiling and publishing the University's Annual Security and Fire Safety Report. This document is intended to serve as the annual security and fire safety report, as required by the Higher Education Opportunity Act, and the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. The Annual Report is required to be published each year by October 1st. The purpose of the report is to provide information about security on campus to include: campus and community crime statistics, fire statistics and safety information, policy information, safety tips, resource phone numbers, and a brief overview of the many services the university provides. A map of the Main Campus, as well as other university locations can be found at:

<http://www.southalabama.edu/maps/campusmap.pdf>.

Information in this report is compiled from reports provided by Campus Security Authorities including, but not limited to, the Office of Judicial Affairs, the Department of Safety and Environmental Compliance, the Dean of Students Office, the Counseling and Testing Center, the Department of Housing & Residence Life and the Department of Athletics. Statistics are also compiled from law enforcement agencies in jurisdictions that USA owns, leases, controls, on adjacent property and "non-campus" property, including hospitals and clinics. Statistics from the University community including the University Police Department are combined with statistics from Mobile Police Department. Information on the USA Baldwin County Campus and Gulf Coast Campus, was obtained from security at that location and combined with information from Fairhope Police and Gulf Shores Police.

Each year, an e-mail notification is made to all enrolled students, and employees, that provides a direct link to access the report online. This link is also available at the bottom of each page on the university's website. Copies of this report may also be obtained at the University of South Alabama Police Department, located at Beta Gamma Commons Bldg., 290 Stadium Blvd., or by calling (251) 460-6312.

Daily Crime & Fire Log

The Daily Crime and Fire Log is required by federal law and records criminal incidents and alleged criminal incidents that occur anywhere in the patrol jurisdiction of the USAPD, on or off University property that are reported to the USA Police Department. The Log discloses specific information about criminal incidents, not crime statistics, and is designed to disclose the crime

information on a timelier basis than the annual statistical disclosures. It also records any fires in the residential facilities. Crimes and residential fires are typically recorded in the order in which they are reported. Only actual fires are recorded; therefore, false alarms, malfunctions, or drills are not listed. New incidents and fires are entered in the log within two business days of being reported to USA Police.

Only criminal incidents which generate a case number are listed in the log; therefore, this log is not indicative of all generated reports or calls for service in which no case number is generated. Case numbers shown on the log will not always be in sequential order based on several factors, including the fact that case numbers are assigned for various other non-criminal incidents, including fires in non-residential facilities (except arson), are not required by law to be included in the Log. Also, crime statistics will not match those shown in the Annual Security and Fire Safety Report because the crime log is based on Alabama State Law; whereas, the Annual Report is compiled by using the Federal Uniformed Crime Reporting definitions.

Printed copies of the Crime Logs are available for viewing in the front lobby of the USA Police Department at 290 Stadium Blvd., on the Main Campus, and are available 24 hours a day. The most recent 60 days of reports are included.

USA is committed to providing the members of the campus community and visitors with a safe and secure environment to live, learn, work, and play. However, no university or police agency can prevent every crime. It is only through an ongoing cooperative effort between the institution and the university community that a reasonably safe environment can be achieved.

Disaster Situations

The University of South Alabama has adopted the Emergency Response and Recovery Plan design by the University Safety and Environmental Compliance Committee to provide a guide for potential emergency responses, recovery actions, and mitigation programs. The primary objective is to protect students, employees, visitors, and the university's properties from a spectrum of possible emergencies and disasters. The Plan does not cover every potential disaster/emergency, but rather those that are of major concern on a typical university campus in a coastal location. Responses may vary from the Plan as conditions and circumstances warrant. USA Hospitals have individual emergency/disaster plans specific to their facilities. To view the entire emergency response plan for

the main campus please see the following –
<http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/environmental/emergencyresponse.html>

Campus Overview

The University of South Alabama has a student population of over 16,600. The main campus is located on University Blvd., in the western portion of the city of Mobile and currently houses approximately 3,000 students in its on-campus residential facilities. Founded by an act of the Alabama Legislature in 1963, it is located on over 1,200 acres. More detailed information on the exciting history of USA can be found on the university's website at:
<http://www.southalabama.edu/aboutusa/index.html>

USA Police

The University of South Alabama Police Department exists to meet the unique law enforcement needs of the university community. Therefore, they engage in community oriented policing that actively encourages input from the community, and utilizes innovative crime interdiction, prevention, and public education methods to foster a safe environment on campus. All police officers have completed an Alabama Post certified academy and undergo semi-annual firearms training. Additionally, they complete a minimum of 12 hours of required CEU training each year. USA police officers are sworn state law enforcement officers and are empowered by legislation (Code of Alabama 16-55-10) to enforce all state and local laws, and may make arrests for any offense occurring, or having probable cause to believe occurred, within their presence or anywhere within the State of Alabama. Their primary responsibility is the enforcement of the law on institution property, owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by the institution; however, their authority extends to any place in the state. All law enforcement matters are handled within the department, including initial complaint taking, criminal investigations, and arrests.

The University Police Department is directed by the Chief of Police, Patrol and Administrative Captains, and Investigative and Special Operations Lieutenants. The department is comprised of 36 sworn police officers, and a full time support staff of 6 civilian employees. It operates 24/365, and provides full police services to the University community; primarily the Main Campus and the Springhill Ave. campus.

The University also employs security guards at its hospitals. These security guards are managed by the local campus administrator and not the university police. They have citizen arrest powers as provided by state law;

however, they are not armed. Beginning in 2015, a several year process of integrating sworn university police into the hospitals began.

University Police work closely with local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, including Mobile PD, Mobile County Sheriff's Office, Alabama Law Enforcement Agency, Alabama Bureau of Investigations, and the F.B.I., sharing relevant information and providing mutual assistance as needed. The officers of USAPD and MPD communicate regularly on the scene of incidents that occur around the campus, and local police officers on occasion work under contract with the university police to provide supplemental services for special events. Members of the university police department serve on various joint taskforces and attend and participate in various multi-agency meetings and briefings. While we regularly share information, there is no written memorandum of understanding between USAPD and MPD, as the department has the responsibility and authority to conduct all investigations for all crimes that occur on University owned or leased property.

University Police have direct radio communication with local emergency response agencies via radio. By mutual agreement with state and federal agencies, the university police department maintains a NLETS terminal (National Law Enforcement Telecommunications Network). This system enables the university police to access the National Crime Information Computer System and the Alabama Criminal Justice Information Center (ACJIC). These systems are used for accessing criminal history data, nationwide police records, driver/vehicle identification information, as well as other local, state, and federal law enforcement information. University police participates in the F.B.I.'s Uniform Crime Reporting Program and routinely submits all crime reports to them through the Alabama Criminal Justice Information Center.

USAPD patrols the Main Campus and bordering streets, including: University Blvd., Old Shell Rd., Hillcrest Rd., and the old Hillsdale Subdivision.

Student Affairs maintains contact with recognized Greek organizations through the efforts of the Coordinator for Student Activities for Greek Life, and the Interfraternity Council. USAPD also patrols and responds to calls at all university recognized Greek houses located on the Main Campus and immediately adjacent to the Main Campus. The University police department does not actively monitor criminal activity engaged in by students at other off campus locations; however, the department will provide local agencies with assistance when requested. At the discretion of the University of South Alabama Police Department, it may provide the Dean of Students with

information regarding the off campus criminal activity of students of which it has been apprised, if it potentially impacts the health and safety of the campus community, and/or the reputation of the university.

Reporting Criminal Incidents or Public Safety Concerns

Community members, students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to report all crimes and public safety concerns to the University police department in a timely manner. Persons wishing to report crime or other emergency incidents occurring on any university property may do so in person, by telephone, or anonymously through the Silent Witness Program under the Crime Prevention link: <http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/police/silentwitnessprogram.html>

For walk-in reports: The University of South Alabama Police Department is staffed twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

**290 Stadium Blvd.
Beta/Gamma Commons Bldg**

(The main entrance is on the west side of the building.)

Telephone reports: The University police may be contacted 24/7 by dialing: **(251) 460-6312**

The Chief of Police may be contacted during normal business hours at (251)-460-6611, or by e-mail at zaull@southalabama.edu

If you are unable to remember the university police number, then you may also dial 911, but these calls are processed through the county 911 Center and may result in a delayed response time. Therefore, all members of the campus community are urged to program the appropriate USA Police or Security Department number in their cell phone to facilitate prompt reporting.

USA Hospitals

The USA Police Department is not responsible for providing routine daily patrol or security services to any of USA's hospitals or medical clinics with the exception of those located at the USA Springhill Avenue Campus at 1504 Springhill Ave. Each hospital employs and/ or contracts non-sworn security guards to provide daily security services. Although routine daily patrol services are provided by the Mobile Police Department or another appropriate agency, USA Police does provide investigative services, special detail assignments, and other support when requested by the hospital or clinic administration, or the security department.

The USA Children's and Women's Hospital Security Dept. also manages security for the USA Mitchell Cancer

Institute, which is located on the hospital campus. Persons wishing to report crimes or other emergency incidents for these locations should contact:

U.S.A. Medical Center – Security (251) 471-7195

U.S.A. Children's & Women's Hospital – Security (251) 415-1135

U.S.A. Mitchell Cancer Institute – Security (251) 445-9878 or (251) 415-1135

For more information on USA Health Systems, go to: <http://www.usahealthsystem.com/>

Voluntary Anonymous Reporting

Because police reports are public records under Alabama law, USAPD cannot hold a report of crime in confidence; however, if you are the victim of a crime and do not want to pursue action within the University system or the criminal justice system, you can still provide a report anonymously by:

- Calling the TIPS line at (251) 460-6667
- Texting the Text-A-Tip line at (251) 219-0219
- Completing the Silent Witness form online at: <http://www.southalabama.edu/police/silentwitnessprogram.html>
- Contacting one of the campus security authorities identified below
- LiveSafe personal security app: <http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/studentaffairs/livesafe.html>

The purpose of an anonymous report is to comply with your wish to keep the matter confidential, while taking steps to ensure the safety of yourself and others. With such information, the University can keep an accurate record of the number of incidents on or near campus, determine where there is a pattern of crime, and alert the campus community to potential dangers. Reports filed in this manner are conducted and disclosed in the annual crime statistics for the institution.

Additional Options for Reporting Campus Crime

You may also report crimes to other University officials who have been designated as additional Campus Security Authorities. Generally, any professional student affairs and housing staff members, student health clinic personnel, faculty advisors to student groups, and/or the athletic director and head coaches can receive a report for inclusion in the annual crime statistics and for the purposes of issuing a timely warning. These additional campus security authorities may encourage and assist the victim in filing a report with University police.

If you are the victim of a crime and you wish for your identity to remain confidential and desire no formal investigation, you must inform the CSA to whom you are reporting the event. If confidentiality has been requested, the listed university official receiving a crime report will

gather sufficient information to allow the university to implement proper crime alerts, if warranted, and so the information may be included in the statistical records maintained by the University of South Alabama Police Department.

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Reporting to a Campus Professional or Pastoral Counselors

Under Federal guidelines campus “Pastoral Counselors” and campus “Professional Counselors” when acting as such, are not considered to be campus security authorities and are not required to report crimes for inclusion in the annual disclosure of crime statistics. As a matter of practice, they are encouraged, if and when they deem it appropriate, to inform persons being counseled of the procedures to report crimes on a voluntary basis. Listed below are campus counselors:

Title	Name	Phone	Email	Campus Location
Director, Counseling & Testing	Dr. Bob Hanks	(251) 460-7051	rbhanks@southalabama.edu	AHE326
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Counselor	M. Shanta Jenkins	(251) 460-7051	msjenkins@southalabama.edu	AHE 328

Baldwin County Campus

For Emergencies		911
USABC Security	8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	(251) 928-8133
USABC Admin. Office	8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	(251) 928-8133
USABC Director	24/7	(251) 599-2964
USA Police (Main Campus)	24/7	(251) 460-6312
Fairhope Police Department	24/7	(251)928-2385
Baldwin County Sheriff's Office	24/7	(251)990-4625

The University of South Alabama Baldwin County (USABC) Campus is dispersed across several sites within fairly close proximity in downtown Fairhope, Alabama. The administration building is located at 10 North

Summit Street, while the Classroom Complex is located at 111 Saint James Street, and the Nursing Complex is located at 161 North Section Street. USABC security officers have the authority to ask persons for identification and to determine whether individuals have lawful business at USABC. USABC security officers are unarmed and have citizen arrest powers, as provided by state law; i.e., may arrest for a misdemeanor occurring in their presence, or for a felony where they reasonably believe the person arrested committed the offense. Criminal incidents are referred to the Fairhope Police Department, who have jurisdiction on the campus. The USABC Security Office at Fairhope maintains a highly professional working relationship with the Fairhope Police Department; however, there is no memorandum of understanding between USABC and Fairhope PD.

All crime victims and witnesses are strongly encouraged to immediately report the crime to the campus security office and the appropriate police agency. The USABC Security Department or the Main Campus Police Department can assist members of the campus community in filing a police report with the appropriate police agency. Prompt reporting to the campus security office will insure that the campus is apprised of safety issues as mandated and that accurate crime statistics are included in the Annual Security report. Should a situation arise that would necessitate a timely warning or emergency notification to the USABC campus and the USABC Administration and Security Offices are closed, contact the USA Police Department at the main campus to commence the process.

USA Gulf Coast Campus-Gulf Shores, Alabama

This location opened in 2015 under the School of Continuing Education & Special Programs. It offers courses related to tourism and hospitality management. Any crimes occurring at this location should initially be reported to Gulf Shores Police at (251) 968-2431 or by dialing 911. Dr. Roy Maize, Faculty Instructor, also serves as the site coordinator. All crimes at this location may be reported to him at 251-968-9860 after notifying police.

Reporting Off Campus Crime

Students residing off campus should report crime incidents to law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction for the location where the crime was committed. Upon request USAPD will assist students in notifying the appropriate law enforcement agency. Other agencies may be contacted at the following telephone numbers:

Emergency for Mobile & Baldwin County Areas	911
Mobile Police Department	(251) 208-7211
Mobile County Sheriff's Department	(251) 574-8040
Fairhope Police Department	(251) 928-2385
Baldwin County Sheriff's Department	(251) 937-0210
Alabama State Troopers	(251) 660-2300
Federal Bureau of Investigation	(251) 438-3674

Safety Awareness

In today's world everyone plays a role in safeguarding the community. The University of South Alabama encourages students, faculty, and staff to be responsible for their own security, as well as the safety of others. The University of South Alabama Police Department strives to increase campus safety by offering educational programs and disseminating information relevant to personal safety.

Public Safety Educational Programs

The University of South Alabama Police Department participates in all new student and new employee orientation sessions. During orientation the students have an opportunity to learn about services offered by the University Police Department at a vendor fair. Officers also conduct presentations to students regarding personal safety and how to contact the police department. The USAPD also presents similar information in semi-annual orientations for new faculty and monthly orientations for new staff.

The University of South Alabama Police Department and the Office of Safety and Environmental Compliance offer ongoing crime prevention and safety awareness programming throughout the year. A common theme of the awareness and crime prevention programs is to encourage students and employees to be aware of their responsibility for their own security and the security of others.

The University offers sexual assault awareness and prevention programming through various offices on campus. The Counseling Center, Student Health Center, University Police, Sexual Assault & Violence Educators, Violence Prevention Alliance USA Violence Prevention and Title IX offer sexual assault education and information programs to university students and employees upon request.

In the past year, the University of South Alabama Title IX team drafted and approved a comprehensive Sexual Misconduct Policy and Grievance Procedures that apply to all students, faculty, staff and visitors to campus. Additionally, the University of South Alabama has instituted a new online training module required for all incoming students on preventing sexual misconduct from United Educators. The University of South Alabama community collaborated to have almost 100 trainings, academic classes, awareness events, and outreach tables in the past year, including peer facilitated programs such as Bro Code and Girl's Night Out. USA Violence Prevention and Title IX has created a new peer education program called the Sexual Assault and Violence Educators who conduct prevention presentations and events on campus around sexual misconduct and campus safety.

The Violence Prevention Alliance, a collaborative committee with partners from across the institution, plans month long prevention campaigns with several events and trainings in October for Domestic Violence Awareness Month and in September for Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The institution offers the R.A.D. self-defense class each semester and USAPD offers Date Rape Detection Coasters intended to raise awareness about date rape drugs.

Additional Public Safety Programs and Information include:

LiveSafe Personal Security App -The University of South Alabama and its Police Department has partnered with LiveSafe to provide a proactive personal safety service that will help protect students, USA faculty and staff with just a touch of a button on supported iPhone and Android devices.

<http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/studentaffairs/livesafe.html>

Lunch With the Chief – Monthly lunches with Chief Aull around campus (such as the dining all or student center) offering campus safety advice.

Operation ID – Program that encourages students to mark their personal property, usually by engraving, and to record serial numbers to deter theft and assist with returning recovered property.

Check Your Ride – Opportunity offered by USAPD prior to school breaks, at which officers teach students how to perform basic vehicle maintenance with the aim of increasing the safety of students traveling on the road.

Sexual Assault Awareness - Various programs throughout the year geared towards educating men and women about sexual assault prevention.

Bystander Awareness - Programs such as the BroCode, Red Zone, and Girls Night Out that train bystanders on safe and positive options a bystander can take when he or she witnesses potential domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

Rape Aggression Defense – Self-defense classes for women comprised of risk reduction tips, basic self-defense techniques, and a simulation exercise.

Threat Assessment/Active Shooter Training – Curriculum intended to train employees and students on how to respond in the unfortunate event of a shooter on the University campus.

Work Place Violence- An educational program that identifies problems and characteristics associated with workplace violence

Peer Education- The Sexual Assault and Violence Educators offer ongoing prevention presentations and events to the USA community on sexual assault, bystander intervention, domestic violence and personal safety.

Online Module- All incoming students, including professional and graduate students, are now required to take an online training called “Lasting Choices: Preventing Sexual Assault” through United Educators when they arrive on campus.

At-Risk Programming- Each semester, at-risk groups such as student athletes, student fraternity and sorority members, minority student organizations, etc. are educated on personal safety and campus resources.

The University of South Alabama Police Department is eager to engage the campus community in interactive educational programming. For more information about any of the programs listed above, or to request additional courses, please contact the department at (251) 460-6611 or by email at police@southalabama.edu.

Residential Life

The Department of Housing & Residence Life oversees the residence halls and Greek Houses. Community Directors and Resident Assistants concentrate on promoting community; developing relationships; helping to establish and maintain a healthy residential environment conducive to academic and personal growth; assisting in the disciplinary procedure as necessary; implementing University and Housing policies; and assisting with individual student needs. The University of South Alabama Police Department has Residential Police and Liaison Officers who focus primarily on the safety and wellbeing of students in the campus residential facilities, including The Grove. These officers exclusively patrol the residential areas of campus, conduct ID checks, and participate in residential educational programs.

Timely Warnings

In the event that a situation arises, either on or off campus, that, in the judgment of the Chief of the University of South Alabama Police Department or a designee, constitutes an ongoing or continuing serious threat to the university community, a campus wide “timely warning” will be issued. The timely warning will include information the Chief of Police or his designee determines is crucial to promote safety which may include, but is not limited to, information about the reported offense (such as time, location, description, etc.) and pertinent information about suspects. The information obtained about potential victims during the issuance of a timely warning is considered confidential information and will not be shared unless authorized. Timely warnings may be disseminated as follows:

- Email to students’ and employees’ campus email address (The University of South Alabama Police Department is responsible for issuing the timely warning emails. If someone from the police department is unavailable, the Office of Marketing & Communications who can initiate the email system.)
- Posted on the USAPD website at <http://www.southalabama.edu/police/>
- Postings at other locations, including public and university media channels as deemed appropriate

Updates to the University of South Alabama community about any particular case resulting in a timely warning will normally be distributed via email. Timely warnings are usually distributed for the following Uniform Crime Reporting Program (UCR)/National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) classifications: arson, criminal homicide, and robbery. Cases of aggravated assault and sex offenses are considered on a case-by-case basis, depending on the facts of the case and the information known by the University of South Alabama Police Department. For example, if an assault occurs between two students who have a disagreement, there may be no ongoing threat to other campus community members and a timely warning would not be distributed. Timely warnings may also be posted for other crime classifications, as deemed necessary.

Emergency Response and Evacuation Procedures

Upon confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation on the main campus, posing an immediate threat to the health or safety of the campus community, the University will initiate the emergency notification process without delay. Although the USA Police Department is primarily responsible for confirming that there is a significant emergency or dangerous situation and issuing a warning, the Office of Marketing & Communications and Safety/Environmental Compliance also have access to the emergency notification systems. These three departments have the authority to determine the appropriate segment or segments of the campus community that will receive the alerts, to determine the content of the alert, and to initiate the notification system.

Usually, the Chief of Police or his designee will determine the content of the notification, taking into account the safety of the campus community, unless issuing a notification will, in the judgment of the first responders, compromise the efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency. Based on the circumstances of the threat, the university police will determine the appropriate segment(s) of the community to receive the notification. For instance, a fire in the Recreational Center might begin with just an evacuation of the Recreational Center but might later be expanded to include the Epsilon 1 & 2 along with Delta 6, if the fire was not quickly brought under control. The university may use one or more of the following notifications systems which it has at its disposal.

Emergency Response and Evacuation Test Procedures

A Bomb Threat/Suspicious Packages drill was conducted on December 15, 2015 at the Marx Library on campus by USAPD and Safety & Environmental Compliance personnel starting at 9:30 a.m. and ending at 11:30 p.m.

The scenario started with a bomb threat being called into the Library's circulation desk with an unrecognizable male voice stating that a bomb would go off in "1 hour". Normal activity was occurring when the call was received with staff, EMS and Health Sciences student groups in various areas of the building. The Starbucks Coffee Shop was open and at the time receiving stock with some patrons being served. An Aramark delivery vehicle was parked at the loading dock. 10:08 a.m. a Mobile County School bus arrives at the Marx Library with 45 middle students and 6 adult chaperons, they enter the building on the east side with some students wandering away from the group. Library employees upon contacting USAPD initiated the building evacuation with occupants directed to an assembly point on the east side of the facility. Chaperons are unable to locate two of the middle school students and notify responding first responders. A search is initiated by USAPD officials with Police Dispatch monitoring camera systems for the students. While USAPD are conducting their search, Mobile's Bomb squad with two bomb detection dogs began a search of the facility. Two different suspicious packages were located on the Library's first floor by the dogs. The areas were cleared for a robotic bomb removal unit to access the packages and relocate them to a detonation unit parked outside the facility. During the drill a test message was initiated through the use of the University's Siren/PA units and a WARN mass notification system standard text message. All Building Coordinators on campus were contacted via the WARN System. The two missing students were located and taken to their group waiting on the school bus.

The drill was considered a success with lessons learned noted on the critiques provided by the observers. A debriefing was held in the Library Auditorium with the drill coordinators to answer questions and potential areas for improvement.

Campus Exterior Sirens/Public Address System In addition to a siren signal, the system can broadcast pre-recorded messages or live messages via university police officers' radios (Main Campus only).

W.A.R.N. Command and Everbridge mass notification systems - These systems provide simultaneous outbound messaging services such as phone, SMS, text, and email communications. Members of the University community are automatically signed up for the systems through their PAWS accounts. A transition from one service to the other is occurring at this time with Everbridge being implemented.

Global Email – The University has designated emails as the primary means of campus-wide communication.

Emergency & Weather Hotline (251) 460-6999 – This recorded telephone line provides official information bulletins regarding campus emergencies, severe weather, and campus closures. Information can also be accessed at: <http://www.southalabama.edu/alert/index.html>

Facebook –

<https://www.facebook.com/usouthalpolice>

<https://www.facebook.com/theuniversityofsouthalabama>

Other notification means are used as they are determined to be appropriate, given the circumstances and the segment of campus that needs to be notified.

The University of South Alabama Chief of Police or designee, in consultation with the Office of Marketing & Communications, will determine if emergency information needs to be disseminated to the larger community via local media outlets or otherwise.

In making determinations about whether an emergency exists and/or sending emergency notifications, the USA Chief of Police or designee may consult with members of the Department of Safety and Environmental Compliance, the President's Council, the Emergency Response and Recovery Team, Office of Marketing & Communications, Campus Security Authorities, local emergency response agencies, and any other individuals relevant to the situation.

The campus siren/broadcast system is tested on a monthly basis, in conjunction with the monthly tests of the Mobile County Emergency Management Agency's Systems. The system is tested on an annual basis. Procedures for conducting evacuation drills are outlined in the Fire Report. The university annually conducts exercises and appropriate follow through activities designed to assess, evaluate, and improve campus emergency response procedures. Annually, the Office of Public Relations and Human Resources provide communications to the university community regarding university procedures for authorized closings and receiving emergency alerts.

Additional information about these communications can be found on the university website at <http://www.southalabama.edu/alert>. University of South Alabama Emergency Response and Recovery Plan Manuals are posted in each campus building generally by the elevators or the front entrance. Basic information about the emergency response and evacuation procedures for University of South Alabama are publicized each year as part of the Annual Security and Fire Reports.

To prepare for the possibility of a campus emergency, each member of the campus community should develop a personal emergency response plan. Some basic steps that you can take to improve your safety on campus are:

- Be aware of your environment
- List the University Police number in your cell phone (251) 460-6312

- Report concerning or suspicious behavior to University Police
- Stay informed by reading campus emails, text messages, watching local media
- Follow directions from campus authorities
- Learn at least two ways to exit every building that you use
- Determine where you are going to go in the event of severe weather
- Have basic emergency supplies in your vehicle and residence such as flashlights
- Lock your room and car

Crime Prevention

The University actively promotes campus security by providing services to prevent criminal activities, enhance personal safety, and protect property.

Campus Escort Service

Although there is currently no formal escort service available on the Main Campus, University officers will assist individuals with safely getting to their on-campus destination, to their vehicle, or the JagTran shuttle stop, upon request. To request assistance call University Police at (251) 460-6312. Depending on other calls for service the officers are involved with, there could be a wait before the officer arrives. For more information on the daily services provided by the JagTran, go to: <http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/jagtran/>. Limited shuttle service is normally provided at least through 8:00 p.m. each weekday that classes are in session.

Property Protection

USAPD offers a number of services to help minimize property loss through theft, including:

- Bike Registration at the University Police Department or online: <http://www.usouthal.edu/departments/police/bicycleregistrationform.html>
- Operation ID – Download a form to record the serial numbers of your valuable property at: <http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/police/operationidentification.html>. Set up an appointment for engraving serial numbers on your property by calling the USAPD Administrative Office during normal business hours at (251) 460-6611.
- Campus Watch Campaign – which encourages members of the campus community to look out for others and report any suspicious activities.
- An extensive camera system on campus.

Facility Security

During business hours the University is open to students, parents, employees, contactors, guests, and invitees.

During non-business hours access to all college facilities is by key, electronic, and/or alarm access code, if issued in accordance with university policies, or by admittance via the Facilities Management Department (251) 460-77655, or the Office of Housing and Residence Life (251) 460-6185. Academic buildings are open during the day and evening hours when classes are in session. Some facilities may have additional hours which may vary at different times of the year. Examples are the Recreation Center, University libraries, and the Mitchell Center. In these cases, the facilities will be secured according to schedules developed by the department responsible for the facility. Emergencies or other considerations may necessitate changes or alterations to any posted schedules.

Residential Facilities

All visitors must be escorted by their host while in the buildings. Residents and guests must be able to provide identification if asked by a university official, including but not limited to, the Resident Assistant. It is up to each resident to take a responsible role in maintaining building security. If you see anyone tampering with doors, please contact the R.A., Community Office, or USAPD immediately. Propping doors or modifying door closers or hardware is prohibited. Students are advised to secure their rooms at all times. Due to the different design of the campus residential facilities there are some differences in how and when the buildings are secured.

Epsilon 1 & 2 – Access to rooms is through interior hallways. Front center doors are unlocked Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. All exterior side and back doors remain locked at all times. Side doors are accessible by card swipe. Card access issues should be directed to Housing Maintenance & Facilities at (251) 460-7655.

Stokes Hall & New Hall - Access to rooms is through interior hallways. Exterior doors are unlocked Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. The building is locked the rest of the time and requires a programmed card to access it. Card access issues should be directed to Housing Maintenance & Facilities at (251) 460-7655.

Greek Houses - Have several entrances and exits which are locked at all times and require a key to access or security code.

All other residence halls – Are designed with individual exterior entrances to each room/suite. Students are responsible for securing their individual rooms.

The Grove – An apartment complex, with two and three bedroom apartments, that has a contract to provide housing to university students. Each lockable bedroom has its own private bathroom and walk-in closet. All guests must register at The Grove office. Although The Grove is considered an “on-campus residential area,” it is privately developed and managed by Campus Crest. However, all university policies and procedures regarding rules of conduct are in force.

It is against university policy to duplicate keys or possess unauthorized keys.

Resident Assistants (RAs) make rounds during evening hours to verify that exterior entrances are locked and secured. In case you are locked out of your residence hall you can contact your Community Office or RA on duty at the following numbers:

Residence Facility:	Phone Number:
Beta/Gamma	(251) 460-6465
Deltas 2-5	(251) 460-6315
Epsilon 1-2 & Delta 6	(251) 460-7870
Greek Houses	(251) 460-7759
New Hall	(251) 460-7926
Stokes Hall	(251) 460-7921

Maintenance of Campus Facilities

A Campus Safety Walk is held each fall and spring semester and includes members of the campus community (faculty, staff and students) as well as representatives of Facilities Management, University Police Department, and the Office of Safety and Environmental Compliance. This group walks the campus and also reviews campus lighting, landscaping, signage, and other aspects of campus grounds and facilities in order to identify any safety concerns to be addressed. Members of the campus community may report any maintenance issue.

To report residential maintenance issues (except for The Grove) please contact the Housing Maintenance Call Center at (251) 460- 7655, or report this issue online at <http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/housing/maintenance.html>. Employees can report maintenance issues online at <http://usahelp.southalabama.edu> or by calling (251) 460-7111. For emergencies after business hours, contact the University Police Department at (215) 460-6312 and they will make the appropriate notification.

Missing Student Policy

If a member of the University community has reason to believe that a student is missing, he or she should immediately call the University of South Alabama Police

Department at (251) 460-6312. USAPD will initiate an investigation, collect all pertinent information regarding the missing person's report, and maintain all necessary data for the University. If the student reported missing is also an on-campus resident in USA Housing or The Grove, personnel from those areas may assist by:

- a) Conducting a health and safety check of the student's room/apartment.
- b) Attempting to make contact with the student via cell phone, email, or other means available.
- c) Seeking out and identifying other person(s) who may be familiar with the missing student's whereabouts.

In accordance with the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008 for "on-campus residential students" (including the Grove), the University has implemented the following "Missing Student" notification policies and procedures:

The University requests that students who reside in on-campus housing identify, confidentially, an individual they desire to be contacted in the event that said student is determined to be missing. This confidential contact information is kept separate from any other emergency contact information and is accessible only by authorized campus officials and law enforcement in the course of a missing person's investigation. You can register your contact by going online to your student account on the PAWS system at <http://www.southalabama.edu/paws/>

After investigating a missing person report, should USAPD determine that a residence student appears to be missing, within 24 hours of that determination, USAPD will notify the student's designated "missing student" contact and the Mobile Police Department of the ongoing investigation. If the missing student is under the age of 18 and is not an emancipated individual, USAPD will also notify the student's parent or legal guardian immediately after USAPD has determined that the student has been missing for 24 hours. If circumstances dictate, USAPD may also enter a Missing Person's report into NCIC.

Sexual Violence Prevention and Response

The Campus Sexual Assault Study Final Report for the National Criminal Justice Reference Service revealed that nearly 20% of college women and 6% of men will be victims of attempted or actual sexual assault while at college. This study also found that the majority of campus sexual assaults occurred when women were incapacitated, usually by alcohol. Multiple studies have shown that the majority of sexual assaults are committed by someone known to the victim. The University of South Alabama is committed to establishing and maintaining an environment where individuals are free from sex discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and retaliation (collectively "sexual misconduct").

The University considers sexual misconduct to be a serious offense because it undermines the atmosphere of trust and respect that is essential to a healthy University Community. Consequently, it is the goal of the university to prevent sexual violence from occurring if possible and to provide a response which will limit the potential emotional damage to the victim.

Although the State of Alabama has enumerated numerous sexual offenses, the offenses that are most relevant to the typical university student experience are rape, sodomy, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. The first two require that the sexual act was committed without the consent of the victim. Rape entails vaginal intercourse with any degree of penetration, regardless of emission, and sodomy involves oral or anal sex. Sexual assault can be forcible or non-forcible in nature. Dating and domestic violence occur when violence is perpetrated by a person who is currently or formerly in a social relationship of a romantic nature or a current or former spouse. Stalking occurs when a person engages in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that causes fear and emotional distress. Complete definitions of these offenses, including jurisdictional definitions, can be found in the glossary of this report.

The penalty for the offense is based on the seriousness of the offense and ranges from a Class A Felony with the possibility of life imprisonment for First degree Rape to a Class A Misdemeanor with up to one year in the county jail for Second degree Sexual Abuse. Alabama State law defines consent, or a lack thereof, exists under any of the following circumstances:

- Forcible Compulsion – physical force was used to overcome resistance or the victim was placed in fear of immediate death or serious injury.
- Incapacity to Consent – this means that the victim is one of the following:
 - Physically helpless, generally unconscious or unable to communicate.
 - Mentally incapacitated as the result of a narcotic or intoxicating substance which was administered without their consent (covers Date Rape Drugs)
 - Mentally defective, namely, the person suffers from a mental defect or disease
 - Less than 16 years old

Lack of consent results when the offense charged is sexual abuse*, 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.

*Sexual abuse is defined in Alabama Code Section 13A-6-66 and 67.

Risk Reduction Tips

General:

- Use the campus transit services.
- Avoid being in classrooms or office buildings alone at night.
- Report any suspicious person or activity to University Police immediately, regardless of the time.
- Know who is at your door before opening it
- Preplan all routes, regardless if you are walking, running, or driving.
- Vary your routine. Do not walk the same route night after night.
- When engaging in sexual activity, all parties must actively consent
- Walk with confidence. Keep your head up and pay attention to your surroundings.
- Remember to bring your cell phone.
- Always lock the doors in your car, room, apartment, or house.

Socializing:

- Go out as a group; leave as a group.
- Maintain control of the evening by driving or having your own means of transportation.
- Give someone (roommate, close friend, parents) information about your plans for the evening.
- Avoid letting yourself get into vulnerable situations.
- Pay attention to your surroundings and others' nonverbal cues and behavior.
- Communicate your limits and boundaries clearly.

Beverages:

- If you drink, drink responsibly and do not get intoxicated. Alcohol is the most common date rape drug.
- Only drink sealed beverages which you can open yourself.
- Do not share drinks; don't drink from a punch bowl, or common container.
- Do not leave your drink unattended.
- Do not drink anything that has an unusual taste or odor.
- Do not mix any type of drug with alcohol.

Note: Risk reduction is an important strategy for our entire community. However, if you are sexually assaulted, it's not your fault 14

If you are sexually assaulted, you should take the following steps:

- Go to a safe place as soon as possible
- Try to preserve all physical evidence
 - Do not bathe, use the toilet, douche, rinse your mouth, or change clothes, as these actions may destroy evidence.
 - Bring a change of clothes with you because the police will need the clothes you were wearing for evidence.
- Call the police immediately
 - If the assault occurred on campus dial – (251) 460-6312
 - If the assault occurred off campus dial – 911
 - At your request, USAPD will assist you in contacting the appropriate law enforcement agency.
- If you prefer not to call the police but you want to make it known that a sexual assault occurred, you can also contact other campus officials.

The University officials who are best equipped to assist you are: the Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students, Title IX Coordinator, Asst. Dean of Students, and Director of Housing. Upon request these officials will assist you in filing campus judicial charges and/or notifying the University of South Alabama Police Department.

- Get Medical Attention - Even if you do not think you have been injured you should seek medical treatment to check for internal injuries, test for sexually transmitted disease, have the option of post rape contraceptive, and to gather physical evidence in case you decide to pursue criminal or disciplinary charges.

- USA Children's and Women's Hospital has trained sexual assault nurse examiners and will collect a "Jane Doe" kit if you are not certain you want to pursue it criminally at this time.

- Call the Assault Hotline at (251) 460- 7151
 - a certified victim's advocate is available twenty four hours a day, seven days a week to offer assistance to make recovery as smooth as possible. Explore legal avenues- for criminal/or civil action including Title IX, the University student disciplinary system and University Grievance Procedures. Email titleix@southalabama.edu to connect with the Title IX Coordinator.

If you are a victim of dating or domestic violence, you should not bathe or change clothes prior to documentation of physical evidence. Preserving evidence may be necessary to prove criminal domestic violence,

dating violence, stalking, or in obtaining an order of protection. If victims do not opt for forensic collection, health care providers can still treat injuries.

If you are a victim of stalking you should save evidence such as any letters, notes, e-mails, phone calls, videos, photos, texts, social media postings, computer screenshots, voicemails, or any other forms of evidence that would be helpful.

What to expect if you file a campus sexual assault report with USAPD:

When you notify the University of South Alabama Police Department of a campus sexual assault, the following will occur:

- A police officer will come to your location to help you obtain emergency medical treatment, ensure your safety, and collect some initial information, such as a description of the suspect, the location and time of the assault, and the nature of your injuries.
- The case will be assigned to the University of South Alabama Police Department's Criminal Investigation Division. All investigators of this Division have been trained in the investigation of sexual offenses and the crimes' impact on the victim. These investigators will approach each case in a sensitive manner.
- With your consent, USAPD will contact the campus victim's advocate to provide emotional support.
- With your consent, USAPD will request a medical examination to ensure that you have suffered no physical injury and so that evidence can be collected. An officer can transport the victim to the hospital, or the victim can choose to go to a hospital by themselves, or with a friend.
- With your consent, you will be interviewed for further details regarding the assault.
- With your consent, a report of the incident will be sent to Judicial Affairs and the Title IX Compliance Coordinator.

When you report a campus rape, you are not making a commitment to file charges or to testify in court. By reporting the matter to USAPD as soon as possible you help protect yourself and others from further victimization, help apprehend the assailant, and preserve your options regarding university disciplinary action and civil or criminal prosecution.

Victim Assistance Pledge

The University provides a victim advocate who responds to all campus sexual assault. The University of South Alabama Police Department makes the

following pledge to anyone who feels he or she is a victim of sexual assault on campus:

We will meet with you privately, at a place of your choice, to take a complaint report.

We will treat you and your particular case with courtesy, sensitivity, dignity, understanding, and professionalism.

If you feel more comfortable talking with a female or male officer, we will do our best to accommodate your request.

We will assist you in arranging hospital treatment or other medical needs.

We will assist you in privately contacting counseling, safety advising, or other available resources.

We will fully investigate your cases and help you achieve the best possible outcome. This may involve the arrest and full prosecution of the suspect responsible. You will be kept up-to-date on the progress of the investigation and/or prosecution.

We will continue to be available for you, to answer your questions, explain the system, your options and the processes involved, and be a listening ear if you need one.

We will consider your case seriously, regardless of your gender or the gender of the suspect.

Judicial Options

Sexual assault victims have three judicial options from which to choose: filing criminal charges, filing campus judicial charges, and filing a civil suit for monetary damages. Victims are not limited to just one of these options, but can choose any combination, including filing all three types of charges. In most instances, the wishes of the victim will determine the pursuit of criminal and or disciplinary proceedings.

Criminal Process

If a victim indicates a desire to pursue criminal charges the University Police Department will submit cases involving sexual assault to the Mobile County or Baldwin County District Attorney's office for review and consideration for presentation to Criminal Court and/or the Grand Jury. The District Attorney's office has available to a victim of assault, a victim's advocate, who is trained in assisting the victim with the legal processes, and who can assist the victim in obtaining restraining orders, orders of protection or no contact orders.

The USAPD shall enforce any violation of an Ex Parte Order of Protection, a temporary restraining order, or a Full Order of protection by a complainant under the jurisdiction granted to them in Alabama Code Section 16-55-10.

Any person who obtains an order of protection from the State of Alabama or any other state should provide a copy to USAPD and the Office of the Title IX Coordinator. To apply for a Protection from Abuse Order (PFA) you must file a petition, which can be obtained from the circuit clerk in your county, usually located at the county courthouse.

University Disciplinary Process

University jurisdiction and discipline attaches to conduct which occurs on university premises, or at university related or sponsored activities, whether on or off university premises, or which adversely affects the university community and the pursuit of the objectives of the university. This process pertains to students, faculty, staff, and University affiliates.

Engaging in ‘Sexual Harassment’ is a violation of the Student, Faculty, and Staff Codes of Conduct. For the purposes of the university disciplinary process, ‘Sexual Harassment’ means any physical sexual acts perpetrated against a person’s will, or where a person is incapable of giving consent. Lack of consent means that the person who has alleged the occurrence of sexual violence has not specifically and unambiguously indicated agreement to participate in the act, including instances in which she/he is unable to give informed consent because of her/his youth, temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity, including, but not limited to, being under the influence of alcohol or drugs

This definition includes instances of sexual violence, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking.

Victim has the right to have sexual history excluded from consideration during the complaint/grievance process. Any person (not just the victim) can request disciplinary charges be brought against a person for allegedly committing a violation of the Codes of Conduct; however, the decision to pursue disciplinary charges is made by the Designated Administrator, outlined in the Codes of Conduct. Generally, in serious incidents, or when facts are under dispute, a formal hearing between the accused will be held to determine if the respondent is responsible or not responsible.

All members of the Disciplinary Committee are required to receive annual training on issues related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual violence, and stalking, as well as how to conduct a hearing process that protects victim safety and promotes accountability. A formal hearing involves the presentation of the witness testimony and the ability of the respondent to present evidence on his or her behalf. The Disciplinary Committee decision is made on the basis of the preponderance of evidence, which *means* it is more likely that not that the offense was committed by the respondent.

The proceedings are non-criminal resolutions of a disciplinary complaint and may include fact finding investigations and formal as well as informal meetings and hearings.

Complainant (may include victim) and Respondent rights in the University Disciplinary Process

The University of South Alabama recognizes the following rights of each sexual violence Complainant and Respondent involving allegations of sexual violence while on university premises, at university related or sponsored activities, or perpetrated by any member of the university community, whether on or off university premises.

- I. The right to a prompt, fair and impartial process from the initial investigation through the final result.
- II. The right to be present during the disciplinary hearing, if one is held. However, if the Complainant/victim/Respondent fails to appear at the hearing, the hearing may be held in his/her/their absence.
- III. The right to present evidence by witness, or by affidavit if a witness is unable to attend the hearing.
- IV. The right to question all witnesses at the disciplinary hearing.
- V. The right to appeal as such right is given to the other party.
- VI. Victim has the right to have sexual history excluded from consideration during the complaint/grievance procedure.
- VII. Victim has the right to immunity from discipline charges stemming from use of a narcotic or intoxicating substance administered with or without consent at the time of the assault.
- VIII. The right to have protective orders enforced.
- IX. The right to receive information from the university on how to obtain protective/restraining orders.
- X. The right to a written explanation of complainant/victim rights and options.
- XI. The right to receive simultaneous written notice of the outcome of any University disciplinary proceeding alleging a sexual offense, the institution’s appeal procedures, and any change to the results before the results become final, and when the results become final.

XII. The right to have an advisor accompany him or her during any campus conduct proceeding.

- a. If the complainant or the respondent is a party to a criminal indictment out of the same circumstances, each party is allowed to have an attorney serve as their advisor, at their own expense.
- b. Advisors, including attorneys, advocate, or other selected person, are not permitted to participate directly during the hearing.
- c. Advisors must abide by the rules of strict confidentiality required of all participants.

XIII. The Complainant, Respondent and other appropriate individuals are given timely and equal access to information used in the course of the formal disciplinary meetings and hearings.

XIV. The information obtained during the process of a disciplinary proceeding will be maintained /managed in a confidential manner consistent with requirements of FERPA and other applicable laws and regulations.

Victim Accommodations

Possible remedies for a complainant under the University disciplinary procedures include, but are not limited to: The right to request immediate on campus housing relocation (based on available space), transfer of classes, transfer of job, or other steps to prevent unnecessary or unwanted contact or proximity to the respondent.

Sanctions Under the University Disciplinary Procedures

Possible sanctions for a person found responsible for violating the University’s sexual misconduct policies include, but are not limited to: interim suspension, eviction from university housing, suspension, expulsion from the university or loss of job, demotion, reassignment, suspension without pay and termination. **For complete policies and procedures regarding the university discipline process, Complainant, Victim and Respondent rights, accommodations and sanctions can be found online at:**

<http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/studentaffairs/lowdown/>, and <http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/studentaffairs/titlenine/resources/smp.pdf>

Civil Process

Sexual Assault victims may choose to sue the perpetrator for monetary damages. They may exercise this option

regardless of whether they file criminal or campus judicial charges. Exercising this option requires the victim to retain an attorney at their own expense. The burden of proof in civil cases is preponderance of the evidence.

Non Retaliation

The university is firmly committed to a policy that encourages timely disclosure of sexual misconduct. It is unlawful and against University policy to retaliate against or punish an individual for his/her undertaking the legal activity of making a good faith report of sexual misconduct or participating in the investigation of such a report. Retaliation includes any action by an individual or group that would discourage a reasonable person from such protected activity, including but not limited to suspension or discharge from an educational opportunity or employment, or any other forms or means of discrimination because this person reported sexual misconduct.

Confidentiality

The University will do everything consistent with the enforcement of these disciplinary policies to protect the privacy of the individuals involved in an incident and investigation. To the extent possible, the confidentiality of all parties will be observed provided it does not interfere with the University’s ability to investigate the allegations, take corrective action, or comply with federal, state or local laws.

Sex Offender Registry

Information on all registered adult sex offenders can be found at <http://www.alea.gov/home/wfContent.aspx?ID=70&PLH1=plhAlerts-SexOffenders>.

The website offers several search options. The counties and zip codes for the various campuses are as follows:

Campus	City	County	Zip(s)
Main Campus	Mobile	Mobile County	36688
Baldwin Campus	Fairhope	Baldwin County	36532

Questions regarding sex offenders identified on this website should be directed to the listed law enforcement agency or the Alabama Bureau of Investigation directly at (334) 353-1172. At this time the State of Alabama does not provide the University of South Alabama with a list of registered sex offenders who have indicated that they are enrolled, employed, or carrying out a vocation at the University. The University of South Alabama does conduct thorough pre-employment background checks on all employees. Sex offenders are required to notify their neighbors when they move into an area. These notification cards are maintained by the Criminal Investigation Division of the University Police

Department. If you desire to review these cards, call (251) 461-1405 to set up an appointment.

Alcohol and Drug Abuse

The University of South Alabama recognizes that substance abuse is a major issue affecting all aspects of our society. The university views the abuse of alcohol and other drugs as harmful to the life, safety, and orderly progress of the academic community. Responsible conduct and accountability is expected from each individual on campus.

Alcohol

The possession, sale, and/or furnishing of alcohol on the university campus are governed by the University Alcohol Policy and by Alabama State Law. By University Policy, the university is “dry”- that is alcohol is not permitted except in certain venues such as Stanky Stadium and the Mitchell Center, or at University sanctioned events. Any alcohol served at authorized venues must be consumed on site. No alcohol is allowed in the residence halls or at The Grove, regardless of age. Like every other state, Alabama has numerous laws governing the possession, use, sale, manufacturing, and distribution of alcohol. There are four primary types of alcohol laws which potentially have a significant impact on university students.

Public Intoxication: It is unlawful to appear in public intoxicated to the degree that it

- Endangers the person, others, or property
- Annoys another person with offensive or boisterous conduct.

Driving Under the Influence: It is illegal to drive or be in physical control of a vehicle if:

- The driver has a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of .08 or .02 if under 21
- The driver is incapable of driving safely because he or she is under the influence of alcohol, controlled substances, mental or physical faculty impairing substances, or any combination thereof.

Persons under 21 found driving or in physical control of vehicle with a BAC of .02 or greater shall lose their license.

Underage laws: It is unlawful for someone under 21 to:

- Purchase, consume, possess, or transport alcohol (With limited exceptions for working in an establishment serving alcohol).
- Attempt to purchase alcohol
- Use a false, forged, deceptive, or otherwise non-genuine driver’s license to purchase alcohol.

House Party Laws: The adult(s) in control of a residence hosting a party is accountable for:

- Taking preventative measures to ensure that underage persons do not have access to alcohol.
- Closing down the party if underage persons are found to be in possession of, or consuming alcohol.

University policy and state laws are strictly enforced by the University of South Alabama Police Department.

Violators are subject to University disciplinary action, criminal prosecution, fine, and imprisonment.

Organizations or groups violating alcohol/substance policies or laws may be subject to sanctions by the university.

Illegal Drugs

The possession, sale, manufacture, or distribution of any controlled substance is illegal under both state and federal laws. Furthermore, the university has an extensive substance abuse policy that prohibits the possession, sale, manufacture, distribution, dispensation, or sale of illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia on university premises, while on university business, or in university vehicles, either during or after working hours. The policy further states that any of these activities off University premises that adversely affects an employees’ work performance, and/or his own or other’s safety is also prohibited and mandates that employees must inform the university within 5 days of an arrest or conviction for any criminal drug statute.

Enforcement/Sanctions

University policy and state and federal laws are strictly enforced by the University of South Alabama Police Department. Violators are subject to university disciplinary action, criminal prosecution, fine, and imprisonment.

Organizations or groups violating alcohol/substance policies or laws may also be subject to sanctions by the university.

Additional information regarding alcohol and drugs can be found in the Student Handbook (The Low Down) at <http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/studentaffairs/lowdown/> the Staff Employee Handbook at:

<http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/financialaffairs/hr/resources/staffemphandbook.pdf> and the Faculty Handbook at:

<http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/academicaffairs/facultyhandbooks.html>

Programs

The University expresses its ongoing concern through an institution wide commitment to appropriate education, training, and counseling services. Multiple departments across campus participate in National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week each year. The University offers a range of programs and services to help students, faculty and staff cope with alcohol and drug related problems. Any current student may seek assistance from the University Counseling Center. Faculty and staff may also choose to

request assistance through the Employee Assistance Program.

Contact information for these services can be found below under the Counseling and Support Services section, or at:
<http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/counseling/>

Weapons

Except as authorized by the University policy and state law, weapons of any type are not permitted on university property. Weapons include, but are not limited to, bullets, ball bearing bullets, bullet balls, pellets, firearms, knives, paint ball guns, air guns, toy and water guns, hunting bows, archery bows, swords, martial arts weapons, and replicas of such weapons. In addition, fireworks, and pyrotechnic devices and materials are prohibited on university property. Law enforcement officers are armed for self-protection and the protection of others. University police officers are trained to use the force necessary to overcome resistance and maintain control when justified and as authorized by law. The State of Alabama has enacted numerous laws regarding weapons for the public welfare. A person who has been convicted of committing or attempting to commit a crime of violence is not permitted to own or have in his or her possession or under his or her control a firearm. Drug addicts and habitual drunkards are also forbidden from the same. If a person desires to carry a pistol in their vehicle or concealed on their person they must obtain a license from the local sheriff. Please note that a license to carry a concealed weapon does not negate University policies and that faculty, staff, and students may face disciplinary sanctions for violating the university weapons policies.

Counseling and Support Services

University Counseling Center

University Counseling Services is a comprehensive, developmental/ mental health center providing a full range of services to meet the needs of students, faculty, and staff. The Counseling Center is staffed by Licensed Professional Counselors who are available to assist students with personal, academic, and vocational concerns.

The counselors are qualified to assist individuals and couples in solving situational problems or improving self understanding and personal relationships. The following services are provided:

- Psychological counseling, group therapy, and crisis intervention,
- Substance abuse education, assessment, and counseling,

- Employee Assistance Counseling
- Consultation on mental health issues and diversity
- Career testing and counseling
- Sexual Assault Counseling
- Training programs in communication, leadership, conflict resolution, and substance abuse prevention
- Testing (aptitude, interest, personality, national testing programs)

Counseling services are available without cost (except minimal fees for testing) to USA students, faculty, and staff. Strict confidentiality of records and counseling relationships is maintained at all times. Appointments may be arranged by calling (251) 460-7051, or by visiting the counseling Service Office, Alpha Hall East, Room 326.

Student Health Center

The Student Health Center (SHC) is located at 5870 Alumni Circle off South Dr near the Student Center. Student Health Services are available during each semester to all students actively enrolled in the University, regardless of their ability to pay. It is staffed by physicians, including a Sports Medicine Physician, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistance, Registered Nurses, and Licensed Practical Nurses; all dedicated to providing quality medical and educational services.

The Student Health Center is open Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Tuesday/Thursday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Walk-in visits are encouraged for any acute or non-emergency visit by 4:30 each day. However, they prefer that you make an appointment for routine visits such as annual physicals, GYN examinations, prescription medication maintenance, etc. To avoid unnecessary waits, you can make an appointment by calling (251) 460-7151. The mission of the Health Education and Promotion Office of the Student Health Center is to advance the health of students, faculty, staff, and public health initiatives. This is accomplished through prevention programs that strive to reduce risk of illness and injury; enhance health as a strategy to support learning; and empower students to make healthy lifestyle choices.

Wellness programs covering a wide range of topics (including but not limited to: STIs, sexual assault, dating violence, alcohol and drugs, tobacco, eating disorders, and nutrition) are available to the entire USA community including residence halls, fraternities and sororities, clubs, and organizations, athletics, as well as academic instructors. To schedule a program call the Health Education Specialist at (251) 460-6353.

For more information, visit their website at: <http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/studenthealth/index.html>

Off Campus Resources

USA Children’s and Women’s Hospital Emergency Room – (215) 415-1620

Mobile Rape Crisis Center

The Rape Crisis Center is available to help local victims of sexual assault; whether they need help immediately after the incident, or if they are still healing from long lasting emotional scars. It provides counseling, support groups, hospital and court presence, and advocacy to sexual assault victims and their families. Services can be accessed 24/7 by calling the Crisis Line- (251) 473-7273 (RAPE)

Employee Assistance Program

The University offers counseling services to all benefit eligible employees. This program is designed to enhance employee and workplace effectiveness through prevention, identification, and resolution of personal and productivity issues. Services include assessment, counseling, educational programs, and referral. Services are confidential and offered at no cost to employees. For further information, call the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Counselor at (215) 461-1346.

Additional Resources for victims of Sexual Assault/Sexual Harassment

On-campus Resources

University Police – (251) 460-6312

24 hours a day, 365 days a year

Campus Victim’s Advocates

Victims of a sexual assault may choose to request an advocate from the Mobile Rape Crisis Center, a Campus Advocate, or to decline the services of an advocate altogether. The university has campus specific advocates comprised of faculty, staff, and graduate students who have undergone basic crisis training with the Mobile Rape Crisis Center, and an additional block of training covering University resources and policies. Campus Advocates will respond to meet with the victim within a timely manner of receiving a request for assistance and will provide emotional support, as well as appropriate information and referrals on court proceedings, disciplinary processes, alternative housing, academic arrangements, and medical procedures. Campus advocates can be requested by calling USA Police (251) 460-6312, or the Student Health Center at (251) 460-7151.

Title IX Coordinator

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and its implementing regulations; prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs or activities operated by educational institutions which are recipients of Federal financial assistance. Sexual harassment of students, which includes acts of sexual violence, is a form of sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX.

The Title IX Coordinator for the University of South Alabama is responsible for monitoring University Policy in relation to Title IX; providing educational materials and training for the campus community; conducting and/or coordinating investigations of complaints received pursuant to Title IX; and ensuring a fair and neutral process for all parties involved. The Coordinator will facilitate remedial action to eliminate a hostile environment, prevent its reoccurrence, and address its effects.

Contact Information: Dr. Krista Harrell Associate Dean of Students; Title IX Coordinator Student Center Suite 101 Mobile, AL 36688
(251) 460-6452
KristaHarrell@southalabama.edu

Penelope House

Penelope House is a local non-profit organization established to help victims of domestic violence regain social and economic independence. Penelope House provides transitional housing for battered women and children, counseling, and victim support groups in addition to court/victim advocates who can assist with obtaining protection orders, signing warrants, and other legal matters. Call their 24 hour crisis line: (251) 342-8994 for information and assistance.

Fire Safety Report

Overview

The Higher Education Opportunity Act (Public Law 110-315) became law in August, 2008, requiring all United States' academic institutions to produce an annual fire safety report outlining fire safety practices, standards, and all fire statistics related to on-campus student housing. The following public disclosure report details all information required by this law, as it relates to the University of South Alabama, as outlined in the regulation.

On-Campus Housing Fire Safety Equipment

At the University of South Alabama, all fifty-two of our on-campus residence halls are protected by fire detection and alarm systems which are centrally monitored 24 hours/day, seven days/week. The buildings are also equipped with lighting fixtures that incorporate backup batteries; upon loss of power, these systems automatically activate to assure adequate egress lighting in hallways and emergency exit stairwells. Thirty-five of our residence halls are fully equipped with sprinkler systems. All fire safety systems and equipment are strictly maintained and tested in accordance with applicable national standards. A summary of the fire protection systems present in each residence hall is provided in Table 1.

Fire Safety Education, Training, and Fire Drills

All on-campus residents (including those with special needs) receive fire safety training at the beginning of each semester. These programs are designed to: familiarize everyone with the fire safety system in each housing facility, train everyone on the procedures to be followed in case there is a fire, and distribute information on the University's fire safety policies. Training on fire and life safety is also provided to all Residence Assistants, Community Directors and Area Coordinators. In addition, a quality control program that covers emergency and evacuation procedures is reviewed regularly with the staff of each respective residence hall. Fire Safety and Education programs are conducted by the Department of Safety and Environmental Compliance, which is composed of multiple safety experts including, the University Fire Marshal, a Safety Training Specialist, and a Safety, and Environmental Coordinator.

In the Event of a Fire/Fire Alarm

Residence Hall Fire and Fire Alarm Procedures affirms that students must evacuate the building upon fire alarm

activation and outlines the role of staff members in overseeing evacuation procedures and reentry into the building, when authorized. Each resident is required to review and comply with the requirements outlined in the Residence Education Handbook at <http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/housing/standards.html> which includes information on fire safety.

When a fire evacuation alarm is sounding, all occupants should:

- Shut down any experiments or procedures that should not be unattended.
- Take or secure all valuables, wallets, purses, keys, etc.
- Evacuate the building immediately and in an orderly manner. The last occupant to leave a room should close the door leading to the corridor.
- Never use the elevators. In most university buildings, elevators are automatically recalled to the street floor or transfer level upon the activation of the buildings' fire alarm system.
- Proceed to the nearest and safest exit.
- If possible, assist non-ambulatory occupants to areas of refuge, or to ground levels. All members of the university community are responsible, within the limits of their abilities, to assist those individuals requiring assistance prior to, during, or after an emergency. Normally, assistance is in the form of notifying emergency workers of the location of these individuals or by actually providing guidance to safe areas.
- Remain at a safe location at least 500 feet away from the building until instructed to re-enter by the City of Mobile Fire Department, University Fire Marshal, or other University Officials.

The primary concern of Residence Life staff members in the event of a fire is to evacuate everyone from the building as quickly and safely as possible. The staff is trained to check each room for occupants, if time and situation allows. In order to accomplish this, staff and occupants must be prepared in advance for a quick and orderly evacuation.

It is suggested that people with disabilities prepare for emergencies in advance by learning the locations of exit corridors, areas of refuge, and exit stairways; by planning an escape route and by showing a classmate, Residence Life staff, or co-residents how to assist him/her in case of an emergency.

Anyone found causing a false fire alarm, tampering with fire-safety equipment, or not properly evacuating during a

fire alarm will face appropriate sanctions, including disciplinary sanctions, and/or arrest.

The Office of Safety and Environmental Compliance maintains extensive information on evacuation and other fire safety procedures on its website, at:

<http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/financialaffairs/environmental/resources/>.

There is an emergency evacuation map, complete with instructions, posted in each room to direct occupants to primary and secondary exits. Mandatory fire drills are conducted twice annually in all of the occupied residence halls in coordination with University of South Alabama's Office of Safety & Environmental Compliance.

Specific Fire Prevention Related Policies and Programs

Safety and Environmental Compliance affirms that faculty, staff, and students must comply with University Health and Safety Policies and programs, attend required training, report any identified safety or health hazard, and know their roles in an emergency. The University of South Alabama's Fire and Life Safety Program establishes requirements for the performance of periodic fire safety inspections of all University buildings, including residence halls; provides for periodic training for employees and students on basic fire safety; affirms conditions that must be maintained in all University properties to comply with the International Fire Code; and establishes requirements for the permitting, approval, and inspection of hot work, use of open flames/burning, pyrotechnics and special effects, temporary facilities, tents, and stages.

Residential Guidelines

The Residence Education Handbook and University Fire Manual limit the types of electrical appliances allowed in residence halls, establish expectations for compliance with drills and training, provide for periodic health and safety inspections of residence hall rooms, affirm limitations on materials that may be stored in resident rooms, prohibit open flames without a permit, limit the use of combustible decorations/furnishings, and define the consequences if students violate University policies and programs. Room furnishings/decorations, and the decorating of public spaces is strictly controlled. There are additional limitations on the use of flammable and combustible materials for decorations in both residence hall rooms and common areas. Items that require an open flame, operate on fuel, or produce heat (such as Bunsen burners, lit candles, incense, and alcohol burners) are prohibited. Specific guidelines are as follows:

Cooking Appliances

Conventional cooking is limited to the following residence halls: Beta, Gamma 5-9, Delta 6 apartments, the Grove apartments, and Greek Chapter houses in the kitchen facilities provided. All residents in suites without kitchens are permitted to use appliances without an open flame which have an automatic shut-off feature. Examples are pop-up toasters, rice steamers, crockpots, electric kettles, and coffee pots. Gas grills are prohibited. Failure to comply may result in a student being required to remove the item and being fined \$50.00.

Other Appliances

Space heaters and halogen lamps are prohibited. Laptop/Notebook computers should not be left unattended when charging batteries; unplug when charging is complete.

Open Flames/Flammable Items

Candles, candle warmers, incense, lighter fluid, live-cut Christmas trees, or any other flammable materials are not permitted in the residence halls.

Smoking

University Policy prohibits smoking and any tobacco products, including vaping, in all properties owned and operated by University of South Alabama, including residence halls. All smoking devices are prohibited in the residence halls, surrounding walkways, grounds, and in the parking lots. Smoking is only allowed while inside their personal vehicle.

Special Events

University Facilities Usage and Event Approval, requires that an application must be submitted for certain types of events on campus, and affirms that these events are subject to a review and approval process by the University Fire Marshal. The use of open flames and pyrotechnics, layout of assembly areas/events, and use of decorations are all evaluated during this review. Requirements for Temporary Facilities/Tents/Stages, assures that tents, stages, and other temporary facilities comply with the International Fire Code, including the prohibition on the use of open flames near or under any tent.

Student rooms, common areas, storage, and mechanical areas are subject to regular inspection by the University Fire Marshal's office, Safety and Environmental Compliance, and Housing/Residence Life staff. In addition, resident room inspections are conducted once per semester by housing staff in order to identify any health or safety concerns. Violations of fire and life safety policies are subject to University judicial action and appropriate sanctions.

Fire Statistics

The number and cause of each fire in each residence hall is summarized in Table 2.

Fire Reporting

The University of South Alabama Police Department monitors the status of all fire detection and fire suppression systems in residence halls. If a fire has occurred, it should be reported to the Communications Center of the University of South Alabama Police Department by calling **(251) 460-6312**.

Plans for Future Improvement

University of South Alabama maintains a prioritized list of projects to upgrade older fire systems, enhance the capabilities of existing systems, or install new fire safety systems in existing buildings. Some of the current projects we are working on include:

- Added digital floor plans to Knox Boxes for fire department use.
- Implementing new software program to record and track fire prevention inspections and building information
- Recent purchases of fire and life safety education videos that are accessible to the entire University community.

CLERY DEFINITIONS

According to the Clery Act, the University must disclose crime statistics for the following categories of criminal offenses. These are Clery Act definitions and are not necessarily synonymous with state laws.

Criminal Homicide:

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.

Sexual Assault: (Sex Offenses)

Any sexual act directed against another person, without consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent. Listed statistics include all attempted as well as completed acts

Forcible - is defined as any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will when the victim is incapable of giving consent. *All forcible sex offenses must be committed under the following circumstances:*

- Forcibly and/or against that person's will
- Not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because
 - Of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity
 - Of his/her temporary or permanent physical incapacity
 - Of his/her youth

Sexual acts which fall under this classification are:

Forcible Rape: the carnal knowledge of a person under any of the above circumstances

Forcible Sodomy: oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person under any of the above circumstances.

Sexual Assault with an Object: the use of an object of instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person under any of the above circumstances.

Forcible Fondling: the touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification under any of the above circumstances.

Non-forcible – Is defined as unlawful, non-forcible sexual intercourse.

There are only two types of 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. *The victim is over 12 and under 16 years of age; however, the perpetrator must be at least two years older.*

The Clery Act mandates that the University discloses definitions of three newly added acts of crime; both the Clery definition and the State of Alabama definition. Under the State of Alabama dating violence and domestic violence fall under the same code.

Domestic Violence

(according to Clery): any felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving grant monies, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction.

Dating Violence - (according to Clery): violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors:

- The length of the relationship
- The type of relationship
- The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

Sexual Misconduct:

As per the University of South Alabama Sexual Misconduct Policy, Sexual Misconduct is an umbrella term that includes sex discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and retaliation

Alabama Domestic (Dating) Violence Law (Summarized):

A person commits the crime of Domestic Violence when any of the listed laws are violated; AND the victim is a current/former spouse, parent, child, any person with whom the defendant has a child in common, present/former household member, or a person who has/ had a DATING or engagement relationship with the defendant. The severity of the violation is determined by which of the listed state laws is involved.

The State Code and Classification is listed in parenthesis.

- Assault in the 1st or 2nd Degree (Felony-Section 13A-6-20, 13A-6-21)
- Aggravated/Non-Aggravated Stalking (Felony-Section 13A-6-91, 13A-6-90)

- Intimidating a Witness (Felony-Section 13A-10-123)
- Burglary in the 2nd or 3rd Degree (Felony-Section 13A-7-6, 13A-7-7)
- Criminal Mischief in the 1st Degree (Felony-Section 13A-7-21)
- Assault in the 3rd Degree (Misdemeanor-Section 13A-6-22)
- Menacing (Misdemeanor-Section 13A-6-23)
- Reckless Endangerment (Misdemeanor-Section 13A-6-24)
- Criminal Coercion (Misdemeanor-Section 13A-6-25)
- Harassment/Harassing Communication (Misdemeanor-Section 13A-11-8)
- Criminal Surveillance (Misdemeanor-Section 13A-11-32)
- Criminal Trespass in the 3rd Degree (Misdemeanor-Section 13A-7-4)
- Criminal Mischief in the 2nd or 3rd Degree (Misdemeanor-Section 13A-7-22, 13A-7-43)
- Arson in the 3rd Degree (Misdemeanor-Section 13A-7-43)

Stalking:

According to Clery:

- A course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for his safety or the safety of others, or suffer substantial emotional distress.

According to Alabama Code:

- A person who intentionally and repeatedly follows or harasses another person and who makes a threat, either expressed or implied, with the intent to place that person in reasonable fear of death or serious bodily harm is guilty of the crime of stalking in the first degree.
- A person who, acting with an improper purpose, intentionally and repeatedly follows, harasses, telephones, or initiates communication, verbally, electronically, or otherwise, with another person, any member of the other person's immediate family, or any third party with whom the other person is acquainted, and causes material harm to the mental or emotional health of the other person, or causes such person to reasonably fear that his or her employment, business, or career is threatened, and the perpetrator was previously informed to cease that conduct is guilty of the crime of stalking in the second degree.

Robbery

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

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. For the sake of Clery, a weapon is considered to be a commonly known weapon (a gun, knife, club, etc.) or any other item which although not usually thought of as a weapon, becomes one in the commission of a crime.

Burglary – is the unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft. *This does not include thefts from automobiles.*

Motor Vehicle Theft – is the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. Under Clery, a motor vehicle includes ATV's, golf carts and motorized wheelchairs.

Arson - is 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.

Hate Crimes - is a criminal offense committed against a person or property which is motivated, in whole or in part, by the offender's bias. Bias is a preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their race, gender, religion, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or ethnicity/national origin.

Crime Categories - In addition to the previously listed Clery crime categories, hate crimes statistics are also required for four additional crime categories if the crime committed is classified as a hate crime:

1. Larceny/Theft
2. Simple Assault
3. Intimidation
4. Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property

The Clery Act also mandates that the University must disclose statistics for certain violations of liquor, drug, and weapons laws, which result in arrests or persons being referred for disciplinary action. Definitions of these law violations are as follows:

Liquor Law - violation of state or local laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession or use of alcoholic beverages, not including driving under the influence and drunkenness.

Drug Abuse – the violation 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. The unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation, or importation of any controlled drugs or narcotic substance.

Weapons Law - the 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.

Clery Geographies:

Clery requires crimes to be reported by geography, for both the Main USA Campus and the Baldwin County Campus.

- **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; that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, frequently used by students, and supports institutional purposes (such as food or other retail vendor).
- **Residential** - Any student housing facility that is owned or controlled by the institution, or is located on the property that is owned or controlled by the institution, and is within the reasonably contiguous geographic area that makes up the campus. Crimes reported in the residential facilities are a subcategory of the On-Campus category.
- **Non-Campus** - 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 geographic area of the institution. The Non-Campus category includes USA Medical Center, USA Children's and Women's Hospital, USA Springhill, Knollwood Physicians Group and their associated clinics.
- **Public Property** – All public property including thoroughfares, streets, and parking facilities, that is within the campus or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. The Public Property category encompasses the streets of Old Shell Rd., and University Blvd., which surround the main campus. Data for this category includes reported crimes from Mobile Police in addition to University Police.

Health and Safety Education Definitions

- **Awareness Programs** – Community – wide or audience specific programming, initiatives, and strategies that increase audience knowledge and share information and resources to prevent violence, promote safety, and reduce perpetration.
- **Bystander Intervention** – Safe and positive options that may be carried out by an individual or individuals to prevent harm or intervene when there is a risk of dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Bystander interventions includes recognizing situations of potential harm, understanding institutional structures and cultural conditions that facilitate violence, overcoming barriers to intervening, identifying safe and effective intervention options and taking action to intervene.
- **Ongoing Primary Prevention and Awareness Programs** – Programming, initiatives and strategies that are sustained over time and focus on increasing understanding of topics relevant to and skills for addressing dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking, using a range of strategies with audiences throughout the institution.
- **Primary Prevention Programs** – Programming, initiatives, and strategies informed by research or assessed for value, effectiveness, or outcome that are intended to stop dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking before they occur through the promotion of positive and healthy behaviors that foster healthy, mutually respectful relationships and sexuality, encourage safe bystander intervention, and seek to change behavior and social norms in healthy and safe directions.
- **Risk Reduction** – Options designed to decrease perpetration and bystander inaction, and to increase empowerment for victims in order to promote safety and to help individuals and communities address conditions that facilitate violence.

**The University of South Alabama
Main Campus Crime Statistics
Years '13, '14 & '15**

OFFENSE	ON CAMPUS			*RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES			*NONCAMPUS			*PUBLIC PROPERTY		
	YEAR 2013	YEAR 2014	YEAR 2015	YEAR 2013	YEAR 2014	YEAR 2015	YEAR 2013	YEAR 2014	YEAR 2015	YEAR 2013	YEAR 2014	YEAR 2015
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
¹ Sex Offenses-Forcible	1	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
Rape	N/A	4	1	N/A	4	1	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0
Fondling	N/A	1	1	N/A	1	1	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0
Incest	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0
Statutory Rape	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0
Sex Offenses-Non-Forcible	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
*Domestic Violence	2	2	3	1	0	2	7	4	3	0	1	3
*Dating Violence	5	4	11	4	1	11	3	2	1	0	1	1
*Stalking	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Robbery	3	0	2	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	2	0	1	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
² Burglary (Non-Motor Vehicle)	17	19	27	16	16	26	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	2	2	2	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Arson	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ARRESTS/DISC. ACTIONS												
Liquor Law Arrests	17	2	4	11	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations Referred for Disciplinary Action	35	52	74	31	52	70	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Law Arrests	26	21	26	17	11	14	0	1	0	12	8	7
Drug Law Violations Referred for Disciplinary Action	38	21	30	36	17	27	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Law Arrests	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	2
Weapons Law Violations Ref. for Disciplinary Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

*THESE LOCATIONS AND CRIMES ARE FULLY DEFINED IN THE GLOSSARY LOCATED ON THE PREVIOUS PAGE OF THIS REPORT.

¹1 OUT OF 2 SEX OFFENSES FOR 2015 WERE NOT DIRECTLY REPORTED TO U.S.A POLICE DEPARTMENT.

²CLERY REQUIRES EACH BEDROOM AND THE COMMON AREA IN RESIDENTIAL BURGLARIES TO BE CONSIDERED SEPERATELY, WHEN ENTERED WITH INTENT TO COMMIT THEFT/FELONY, RESULTING IN MULTIPLE COUNTS OF BURGLARY PER SUITE.

There were zero unfounded crimes in 2014 and one unfounded crime in 2015.

There were no reported Clery Hate Crimes for the years 2013, 2014 or 2015

The University of South Alabama Baldwin County (Fairhope)
Campus Clery Crime Statistics
Years '13 '14, '15

OFFENSE	ON CAMPUS			*NONCAMPUS			*PUBLIC PROPERTY		
	YEAR 2013	YEAR 2014	YEAR 2015	YEAR 2013	YEAR 2014	YEAR 2015	YEAR 2013	YEAR 2014	YEAR 2015
¹ Murder/Non-negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
² Sex Offenses-Forcible	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Rape	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Fondling	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Incest	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Statutory Rape	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Sex Offenses-Non-Forcible	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A
*Domestic Violence	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0
*Dating Violence	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0
*Stalking	N/A	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
³ Burglary (Non-Motor Vehicle)	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Hate Crimes	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
ARRESTS/DISC. ACTIONS									
Liquor Law Arrests	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations Referred for Disciplinary Action	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Drug Law Arrests	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Drug Law Violations Referred for Disciplinary Action	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Weapons Law Arrests	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Weapons Law Violations Ref. for Disciplinary Action	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0

*THERE ARE NO NON CAMPUS BUILDINGS FOR THIS LOCATION.
The were no unfounded crimes at this location.

There were no reported Clery Hate Crimes for the years 2013, 2014 or 2015

**The Grove Fire Safety Systems
Years `12, `13, `14**

Facility	Fire Alarm Monitoring(done by monitoring company)	Full Sprinkler System	Smoke Detection	Fire Extinguisher Devices	Evacuation Plans and Placards	Number of Evacuation (fire) drills each calendar year
Building #						
1	X	X	X	X		1
2	X	X	X	X		1
3	X	X	X	X		1
4	X	X	X	X		1
5	X	X	X	X		1
6	X	X	X	X		1
7	X	X	X	X		1
8	X	X	X	X		1
9	X	X	X	X		1
10	X	X	X	X		1
11	X	X	X	X		1
12	X	X	X	X		1
13	X	X	X	X		1
14	X	X	X	X		1
15	X	X	X	X		1
16	X	X	X	X		1
17	X	X	X	X		1
18	X	X	X	X		1
19	X	X	X	X		1
20	X	X	X	X		1

Table 1:

Fire Protection Systems in Main Campus Residential Facilities

Building Name	Onsite Fire Alarm Monitoring (USAPD)	Full Sprinkler System	Smoke Detection	Fire Extinguishing Devices	Evacuation Plans & Signs	Number of Fire Drills Each Calendar Year
Beta 1	X		X	X	X	2
Beta 2	X		X	X	X	2
Beta 3	X		X	X	X	2
Beta 4	X		X	X	X	2
Beta 5	X		X	X	X	2
New Hall	X	X	X	X	X	2
Delta 3	X		X	X	X	2
Delta 4	X		X	X	X	2
Delta 5	X	X	X	X	X	2
Delta 6	X	X	X	X	X	2
Gamma 0	X		X	X	X	2
Gamma 1	X		X	X	X	2
Gamma 2	X		X	X	X	2
Gamma 3	X		X	X	X	2
Gamma 4	X		X	X	X	2
Gamma 5	X		X	X	X	2
Gamma 6	X		X	X	X	2
Gamma 7	X		X	X	X	2
Gamma 8	X		X	X	X	2
Gamma 9	X		X	X	X	2
Epsilon 1	X	X	X	X	X	2
Epsilon 2	X	X	X	X	X	2
Stokes Hall	X	X	X	X	X	2
Alpha Gamma Delta	X	X	X	X	X	2
Alpha Omicron Pi	X	X	X	X	X	2
Chi Omega	X	X	X	X	X	2
Kappa Alpha	X	X	X	X	X	2
Kappa Delta	X	X	X	X	X	2
Pi Kappa Alpha	X	X	X	X	X	2
Phi Mu	X	X	X	X	X	2
Pi Kappa Phi	X	X	X	X	X	2
Sigma Chi	X	X	X	X	X	2

Table 2:

Fire Statistics and Information in Main Campus Residential Facilities – 2014

Building Name	Total Fires	Fire Number	Date	Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries that Required Treatment at Medical Facility	Number of Deaths Related to Fire	Value of Property Damage Caused by Fire
Beta 1	0						
Beta 2	0						
Beta 3	0						
Beta 4	0						
Beta 5	1	1	4/02/15	Cooking	0	0	\$300
New Hall	0						
Delta 2	0						
Delta 3	0						
Delta 4	0						
Delta 5	0						
Delta 6	0						
Gamma 0	0						
Gamma 1	0						
Gamma 2	0						
Gamma 3	0						
Gamma 4	0						
Gamma 5	0						
Gamma 6	0						
Gamma 7	0						
Gamma 8	0						
Gamma 9	0						
Epsilon 1	0						
Epsilon 2	0						
Stokes Hall	0						
Alpha Gamma Delta	0						
Alpha Omicron Pi	0						
Chi Omega	0						
Kappa Alpha	0						
Kappa Delta	0						
Pi Kappa Alpha	0						
Phi Mu	0						
Pi Kappa Phi	0						
Sigma Chi	0						

Table 3:

**Fire Statistics and Information in Main Campus Residential
Facilities - The Grove Apartments – 2015**

Building Name	Total Fires	Fire Number	Date	Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries that Required Treatment at Medical Facility	Number of Deaths Related to Fire	Value of Property Damage Caused by Fire
1	0						
2	0						
3	0						
4	0						
5	0						
6	0						
7	0						
8	0						
9	0						
10	0						
11	0						
12	0						
13	0						
14	0						
15	0						
16	0						
17	0						
18	0						
19	0						
20	0						



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