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INTRODUCTION

THE ANNUAL CAMPUS SECURITY AND FIRE SAFETY REPORT is provided to students, faculty, staff, and the public as part of Utah State University Eastern commitment to safety and security on campus and in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act). This report is prepared in cooperation with various USU departments, which provide annual updated information on their educational efforts and programs to comply with the law. Campus crime, arrests, and referral statistics include those reported to the USU Eastern Police Department (USUEPD), other local law enforcement and fire agencies and designated campus security authorities (CSA). The information contained in this report is intended to educate students and their families about the policies, procedures, and programs that exist to assist with protecting the safety and wellbeing of campus constituents.

The Clery Act was recently amended by the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA) to include reporting incidents of dating violence, domestic violence and stalking. VAWA requires certain policies and procedures to be in place to reduce these crimes and meet the needs of victims. This information is included in this report.

THE CLERY ACT

The Clery Act is named for Jeanne Clery, a 19-year-old Lehigh University student who was raped and killed in her dorm room in 1986. The law was originally enacted in 1990 as the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act (Title II of Public Law 101–542), which amended the Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA). The Clery Act requires all postsecondary educational institutions participating in Title IV student financial aid programs to disclose campus crime statistics and security information. Specifically, higher education institutions subject to the law must do the following:

- Collect, report, and disseminate crime data
- Develop policies, policy statements, and procedures regarding campus safety
- Prepare and distribute an annual security report
- Issue timely warnings and emergency notifications to the campus community
- Submit crime statistics to the U.S. Department of Education

PREPARING THE ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT

This document is designed to provide students and employees with information concerning personal safety and university policies, and to comply with federal law. The report is prepared on an annual basis by the USU Clery Compliance Committee. For additional information or to submit changes and corrections, please contact Chief Mike Kuehn at (435) 797-1939 or at mike.kuehn@usu.edu.

1. Daily Crime Log
   University Police will keep a daily crime log in accordance with the requirements of the Clery Act.

2. The Annual Security Report (ASR)
   In order to comply with the Clery Act, the USU police chief or appointed designee will fill the role of Clery compliance officer and shall prepare and distribute the ASR that includes a disclosure of crime statistics, disciplinary referrals, and other information required by the Clery Act for the three most recent calendar years. This report is prepared in cooperation with the University Police, campus security authorities, and local law enforcement agencies.
   The Clery compliance officer will carefully analyze all crimes reported. All crimes subject to the Clery Act will be accurately reported and published on an annual basis in the ASR. The ASR will include statistics by location for the three most recent calendar years that occurred on the university’s Clery geography.

3. Collection of Statistics from Local Law Enforcement Agencies
   Prior to the preparation of the ASR, the Clery compliance officer will undertake a good faith effort to collect crime statistics from any law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over non-campus property that is subject to reporting under the Clery Act. This includes any criminal activity by students at non-campus locations of student organizations officially recognized by the university, including student organizations with non-campus housing.

   The Clery compliance officer shall distribute the ASR and Annual Fire Safety report annually in accordance with the requirements of the Clery Act. Appropriate notice will be provided to current students and employees, incoming students and employees, and prospective students and employees.
CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY

THE OFFICERS IN THE USUEPD have full peace officer status under state statute, including the authority to make arrests (Utah Code section 53B-3-105). University Police has jurisdiction over and investigates all law enforcement related issues occurring on the Utah State University Eastern campus. Crimes in progress, suspicious circumstances, medical emergencies, and other campus emergencies should be immediately reported to the University Police. A university officer will respond to investigate and will initiate an incident report. Follow-up investigation will be conducted as needed. When dialing 911, campus phones and cell phones connect directly with the Price Public Safety Dispatch. Dispatchers then forward the call to University Police.

USU Eastern Police Department
Price, UT 84501
(435) 613-5612
(435) 613-5677

Emergency: 911
Dispatch Non-Emergency: (435) 637-0890

The primary objective of the USUEPD is to provide a campus environment where students, faculty, and staff feel safe to pursue the academic mission of the university without the fear of crime.

Some of the steps to ensure safety objectives taken by USU include:

- USUEPD is staffed 24 hours every day. The department provides 24-hour police coverage with its seven state certified police officers, (two full-time and five reserve officers). A USU Eastern police officer provides safety patrols, responds to all reports of crime or suspicious activity and conducts follow-up investigations on all leads. The Price City Fire Department and USUEPD respond to reports of fire and medical emergencies on campus.
- All officers receive ongoing training under regulatory guidelines established by the Utah Department of Public Safety. This training includes crime prevention, domestic violence, active shooter, criminal investigation, first aid, firearms, defensive tactics, crowd control, traffic accident investigation, and constitutional and statutory law.

REPORTING CRIMES AND EMERGENCIES

1. Reporting Crimes and Emergencies
Students and others who become aware of criminal actions or other emergencies on campus should report these activities for assistance and to prevent crime, help the university to make timely warning reports to warn others, improve safety and for purposes of including the activities in the ASR. The university encourages accurate and prompt reporting of all crimes to USU Police and other appropriate police agencies.

   a. To report a crime or emergency, individuals should call USU Police at (435) 613-5612 or 911. In addition, individuals may report an emergency or a crime using any of the emergency phones located strategically in parking lots and public areas on campus, or report crimes and emergencies in person at USUEPD at 530 N. 300 E., Price, Utah. University Police respond to reports in accordance with law enforcement protocol. USU Police may make informational and/or disciplinary referrals to other organizations of the university when appropriate.

   b. Criminal actions and other prohibited conduct may also be reported to the individuals or offices listed below.

      - Division of Student Affairs
      - Department of Human Resources
      - University Housing and Residence Life
      - Campus Security Authorities (CSA)
      - Affirmative Action/Title IX Office

Information for how to report to these offices can be found online or by contacting each office directly. Reports made to these persons or offices and not made to USU Police, may be included in the statistical report in the ASR but may not necessarily be investigated by the police.
4. Preservation of Evidence
It is important to preserve evidence that may assist in proving that the alleged criminal offense occurred or obtaining a protective order. As time passes, evidence may dissipate, become lost, or unavailable, thereby making investigations, possible prosecutions, disciplinary proceedings, or obtaining protection from abuse orders related to the incident more difficult. If a victim chooses not to make a complaint regarding an incident, they nevertheless should consider speaking with the University Police or other law enforcement to preserve evidence in the event that the victim changes her/his mind at a later date.

5. False Accusations
Individuals who intentionally and knowingly make false accusations of criminal activity or provide false information to university officials in connection with an accusation and/or investigation of criminal activity, are subject to discipline under university policy as well as criminal and/or civil penalties under applicable law.
LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

THE USUEPD has a close working relationship with the Price City Police Department, the Carbon County Sheriff’s Office, the Helper City Police Department, the Wellington City Police Department, East Carbon City Police Department, and other law enforcement agencies throughout the state of Utah. University Police personnel meet with local law enforcement agencies to exchange ideas and discuss problems that may be of concern to the university community. Because the USUEPD has full police authority by state statute there is no memorandum of understanding with local police departments regarding the investigation of alleged criminal offenses on university property, USU does have agreements with local police for mutual aid and interlocal cooperation.

The following is a list of local police departments and their jurisdictions. Housing facilities of non-campus student organizations are not university property, and students should call the police department that has jurisdiction for that location.

PRICE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Students may report crimes that occur off campus to the Price City Police Department, whose jurisdiction includes all off-campus student housing facilities within the Price city limits.

910 N 700 E
Price, UT 84501
435-636-3190

Emergency: 911
Dispatch: (435) 637-0890

CARBON COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE

Students living in the county and unincorporated areas of the county, including housing facilities of non-campus student organizations, may report crimes that occur off campus to the Carbon County Sheriff’s Office.

240 West Main Street
Price, UT 84501
435-636-3251

Emergency: 911
Dispatch: (435) 637-0890

HELPER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Students living in Helper may report crimes that occur off campus to the Helper City Police Department, whose jurisdiction includes all off-campus student housing facilities within the Helper city limits.

97 South Main Street
Helper, UT 84526
435-472-3719

Emergency: 911
Dispatch: (435) 637-0890

WELLINGTON CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Students may report crimes that occur off campus to the Wellington City Police Department, whose jurisdiction includes all off-campus student housing facilities within the Wellington city limits.

150 West Main Street
Wellington, UT 84526
435-637-4830

Emergency: 911
Dispatch: (435) 637-0890

EAST CARBON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Students may report crimes that occur off campus to the East Carbon Police Department, whose jurisdiction includes all off-campus student housing facilities within the East Carbon, Sunnyside, Columbia city limits.

101 West Geneva Drive
East Carbon, UT 84520
435-888-2081

Emergency: 911
Dispatch: (435) 637-0890
CRIME AWARENESS AND PREVENTION PROGRAMS

SEVERAL CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAMS are available to campus groups to educate people on ways to protect themselves and their property and encourage the immediate reporting of all crimes or suspicious incidents. These programs include the following:

1. USUEPD officers provide a 24-hour walking escort to students or employees to and from campus destinations.
2. Residence hall safety and awareness orientation: assist resident hall advisors (RAs) to educate students living in the residence halls (personal safety, emergencies, housing policies)
3. Other presentations include:
   - Alcohol awareness: effects, impairment, laws and USU Eastern’s rules
   - Theft: identify and document belongings, how to secure belongings, etc.
   - Workplace violence/active shooter: warning signs, what to do, how to protect yourself
   - Crime prevention: overall crime prevention practices and tips
   - Personal Safety: practices and tips
   - “Upstanding”: bystander intervention trainings

TIMELY WARNING NOTIFICATION PROCESS

IN THE EVENT A SERIOUS INCIDENT IS REPORTED TO THE USUEPD that may pose a serious and/or continuing threat to members of the USU Eastern community, a timely warning will be sent to all students and employees on campus via email blast and/or text messaging through the USU Eastern Code Blue Emergency Alert System. Timely warning notices are written by the USU police chief, assistant police chief, or a designee and are approved by the vice president for Student Affairs and/or the vice president for Business and Finance or designees. The USU Eastern emergency manager or a trained designee will distribute the timely warning. Timely warnings may also be distributed through the student newspaper The Eagle, posting liers in affected areas, or on local radio stations.

Timely warnings will be provided to students and employees in a manner that withholds the names of victims and other personally identifying information, and that provides information to assist with potentially preventing similar occurrences. Timely warnings are considered on a case-by-case basis for the following Uniform Crime Reporting Program (UCR)/National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) classifications:

- Major incidents of arson
- Murder/non-negligent manslaughter
- Burglary
- Robbery
- Aggravated assault
- Sex offenses
- Domestic violence
- Stalking

For example, if an aggravated assault occurs between two students who have a disagreement, there may be no ongoing threat to other USU Eastern community members and a crime alert would not be distributed.

Cases involving sexual assault are often reported long after the incident occurred, thus there is no opportunity to distribute a timely warning notice to the community. Sex offenses will be considered on a case by case basis depending on when and where the incident occurred, when it was reported, and the amount of information known by the USU Eastern Police Department.

Timely warnings may be issued for other Clery Act crimes when the USUEPD determines such crimes pose a serious or on-going threat to students and employees. The chief of police, assistant chief of police or a designee reviews all reports to determine if there is an on-going threat to the community and whether the distribution of a crime alert is warranted.

Anyone with information warranting a timely warning should report the circumstances to the USU Eastern Police Department by phone at 435-613-5612 or contact Price Public Safety by phone at 435-637-0890.
MISSING PERSON PROCESS

THE CLERY ACT requires institutions that maintain on-campus housing facilities to establish a missing student notification policy and related procedures. The term “missing student” for this policy refers to any USU Eastern student who is residing in on-campus student housing who is reported missing from a residence.

Every student who resides in on-campus housing may confidentially register one or more individuals to be a contact strictly for missing person purposes. The contact person can be anyone. Only authorized campus officials and law enforcement officers in furtherance of a missing person investigation may have access to this information. This information will not be disclosed outside of a missing person investigation. Even if a resident does not register a contact person, law enforcement will be notified if the resident is reported missing.

If anyone has reason to believe that a student who resides in on-campus housing is missing, he or she should immediately notify USU Eastern Housing and Residence Life staff at (435) 613-5438 or contact the Resident Director (RD) or Resident Assistant (RA) in the affected residence hall (click here for a directory of the residence halls). The Utah State University Eastern Police Department can also be contacted at (435) 637-5612 or by contacting Price Public Safety Dispatch at (435) 637-0890. If the report of a missing resident of on-campus housing is received by any Housing and Residence Life staff member, the report shall immediately be referred to University Police.

The USUEPD will immediately initiate an investigation of any missing person report. Should the investigation result in the conclusion that the student is missing, and has been missing for 24 hours, notification will be made to the Price City Police Department or the local law enforcement agency over that jurisdiction.

The student's missing person contact shall be notified within 24 hours of that determination. If the missing student is under the age of 18, and not an emancipated individual, the student's parent or legal guardian will be notified within 24 hours of a determination that the student is missing, in addition to notifying any additional contact person designated by the student.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG POLICIES

USU EASTERN HAS A STRONG COMMITMENT TO THE WELLBEING OF ITS FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS. USU Eastern policy supports a drug-free environment. Possession, use and sale of alcoholic beverages by students and employees are addressed in USU Student Code and USU Policy 313. University regulations specifically prohibit the possession, use, or sale of alcoholic beverages on campus, including athletic events. Utah law prohibits the consumption of alcohol in any arena or stadium. Anyone found in violation of these regulations is subject to arrest.

Utah law prohibits the purchase, possession, or consumption of alcohol by a minor (anyone under the age of 21). It is unlawful for anyone to provide alcohol to a minor. The USUEPD and other local law enforcement agencies enforce state underage drinking laws. The USUEPD has a very low tolerance to alcohol violations. The following enforcement options are used:

- Warning
- Referral to the Student Conduct Officer
- Referral to Housing staff
- Citation (used most often in these cases)
- Physical arrest

Utah law and University policies also prohibit possessing, using or selling hallucinatory, narcotic, or other controlled substance. USUEPD works closely with the Carbon and Emery County Drug Task Force to enforce state and federal laws regarding these substances. The following enforcement options are used:

- Warning
- Referral to the Student Conduct Officer
- Referral to Housing staff
- Citation
- Physical arrest
USU Eastern offers some wellness programming through Housing:

- An annual student orientation dealing with policies and the legal and health consequences of substance abuse
- A campus referral system provides assessment, education and/or referral for treatment
- An alcohol/drug education class
- An annual alcohol and drug awareness week
- Educational workshops and/or presentations on alcohol or other drug-related issues upon request

View the USU Drug and Alcohol-Free Workplace policy here: www.usu.edu/policies/313

SECURITY OF AND ACCESS TO USU EASTERN FACILITIES

THE USUEPD is responsible for securing the buildings on campus properties. Lockup times for some buildings may vary depending upon class schedules and other reservations. Graduate students who have been issued keys to a building are allowed to remain in the building after hours.

SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS RELATED TO MAINTENANCE PROGRAMS

USU EASTERN FACILITIES has a regular preventive maintenance program for the outside lighting system on campus. Periodic light surveys are completed for the entire campus. Lights that are out or in need of repair are taken care of in a timely manner. In addition, as USUEPD police officers make their regular rounds and find lights out or other problems that need attention, they complete a work order to have the necessary repairs made.

Access points to buildings are well maintained. When a broken lock, door or window is found, on-call locksmiths and other Facilities workers are available 24 hours a day to come in and make repairs to maintain the security of our buildings.

Each spring, trees and shrubbery around campus are trimmed to keep pathways throughout the campus as safe as possible.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND EVACUATION PROCEDURES

WHEN A SERIOUS INCIDENT OCCURS that causes an immediate threat to the campus, law enforcement and emergency medical services will be summoned. The first responders to the scene are usually the USUEPD, Price City Police Department and Price City Fire Department (PCFD). These agencies typically respond and work together to manage the incident. Depending on the nature of the incident, other USU Eastern departments and other local or federal agencies could also be involved in responding to and managing the incident.

USU Eastern’s Emergency Operations Plan includes information about the university’s response to any natural or man-made disaster or hazard that affects USU Eastern and poses an actual or potential threat to public health and safety on the university campus, as well as the response to a regional or national crisis that affects the university system. The USU Eastern Department of Public Safety has the responsibility of responding to and summoning the necessary resources to mitigate, investigate, and document any situation that may cause a significant emergency or dangerous situation. Resources that may be called upon include:

- USU Eastern Environmental Health and Safety
- USU Eastern Facilities
- Price City Fire and EMS
- Price City Police Department
- Other local police departments
- USU Eastern Risk Management
CONFIRMATION PROCESS

UPON CONFIRMATION that an event poses a threat to the campus community or a segment of the community, the university police chief, assistant chief, or police sergeant will, taking into account the safety of the campus community, approve the activation of the Code Blue Alert System and the information that will be released. Without delay, alert information will be distributed to the campus community or appropriate segment by the USU Eastern emergency manager or a trained designee and/or director of Public Relations and Marketing or a designee using one or more of the following methods.

CAMPUS ALERTS

- Code Blue Alert System includes alerts to the following:
  - Email (All students and employees are automatically signed up to receive email alerts on their preferred email account)
  - Text messages
  - Cell phone
  - Landline
  - TTY
- USU Eastern home page
- Department of Public Safety webpage
- Fire alarm system
- Local radio stations
- Bulletins posted at affected areas

If it is determined that issuing a notification of a confirmed emergency or dangerous situation would compromise the efforts to assist a victim, contain the emergency, respond to the emergency or otherwise mitigate the emergency, the notification will not be sent.

If only a segment of the campus community is notified of a threat, the situation will be continually monitored and additional segments of the campus community will be notified if the situation warrants such action. Depending on the threat those already on campus may be given different instructions than those who may be planning to come to campus. Pay attention to the full message of the campus alert.

If a serious threat is confirmed on the USU Eastern campus you will be advised to shelter in place, lock down, or evacuate.

SHELTER-IN-PLACE

In certain emergency situations, the campus community may be advised to shelter-in-place to avoid or minimize exposure to outside risks. Risks could include chemical, biological, or radioactive releases and some weather-related emergencies. Once shelter-in-place instructions have been communicated, students, faculty, and staff should either stay in the building they are in when they get the message or if outside, go to the nearest building and await further instructions.

Shelter-in-place is a precaution aimed to keep you safe while remaining indoors. It refers to taking refuge in a designated area of safety within a building such as a small, interior room with no or few windows. It does not mean sealing off your entire residence or building. If you are told to shelter-in-place, follow these instructions:

- Stop classes, work, or close business operations.
- Share the notification with others in the building if possible, but do not leave the area where you were instructed to shelter-in-place.
- Close all windows, exterior doors, and any other openings to the outside.
- Select interior room(s) above the ground floor with the fewest windows or vents.
- Gather essential disaster supplies if possible.
- Under certain circumstances (criminal activity) it may be necessary to lock the door to the area where you are located.
- Keep listening to local radio, television, and check your cell phone for USU Code Blue alert messages until you are told it is safe or you are told to evacuate. You may go to USU home page at usueastern.edu for more information. Follow instructions during and after emergencies regarding sheltering, food, water, and clean-up methods.
- University and local officials are the best source of information for your particular situation.

How do I sign up to receive Code Blue Emergency Alert notifications?

- Visit usu.edu/alert and click “sign up for Code Blue” or log into USU Banner at https://ssb.banner.usu.edu/zprod/twbkwbs.P_WWWLogin
- Edit or add your “CodeBlue” contact phone number (You can enter up to five voice and text message contact numbers)
- Be sure to keep your preferred email up to date
LOCKDOWN

Lockdown is appropriate for threats posed from outside or inside the building. These threats could include a violent person attempting to enter the building, a perpetrator already inside, or nearby criminal, or terrorist activity.

Lockdown Procedures:

- Get to a position out of the line-of-sight of doors and windows.
- Check outside of the room or office for nearby individuals and move them into a room.
- Close and lock all doors and windows.
- Cover any door windows and close window blinds if available.
- Turn off room/office lights and remain quiet.
- Silence cell phones.
- If there is a group spread out throughout the room.
- Make a plan to protect yourselves in the event that the perpetrator enters the room.
- Anyone in the outdoors should move away from the danger to an appropriate, safe location.
- Anyone in common areas should proceed immediately to the nearest room and follow the lockdown procedures.
- Let roommates or family members know where you are.
- Remain in your location until an all-clear message is received.

EVACUATION

In the event of a serious threat evacuations may be ordered from a building, a group of building or the entire campus. Though fire is the most common reason to initiate an evacuation, it is not the only reason. Some of the more prevalent reasons are:

- Biohazards (release of biologically hazardous materials)
- Chemical hazards (dangerous chemical spill, dangerous gas releases)
- Radiation hazards (spill of radioactive material, release of a radioactive gas)
- Fire hazards (smell or sight of smoke or flames)
- Terrorist Threat
- Natural Disaster

BUILDING EVACUATION

If you come upon a situation that calls for an evacuation of the building you are occupying, either from a fire alarm or an emergency notification, proceed as follows:

- Exit the building through the nearest exit.
- Follow the direction of evacuation team leaders if present.
- Do not use elevators.
- Instructors are to ensure the evacuation of their classes.
- Do not re-enter the building until USU Eastern Police, Price City Fire Department, or other university official (e.g. someone from Environmental Health and Safety) gives an all-clear.
- The silencing of the alarm bells is not an all-clear to re-enter the building.
- If you suspect someone was not evacuated or you have any information on the incident that prompted the alarm, report to an emergency responder in the area.
- Let roommates or family members know where you are.

CAMPUS-WIDE EVACUATION

If a serious threat to the entire campus is determined by the USUEPD to be legitimate, a campus-wide evacuation will be ordered. If such an order is given, follow the following procedures:

- Stop classes, work or close business operations.
- Secure offices and workplaces.
- Immediately go to your vehicle, the nearest bus stop, or if riding or walking, take the nearest route off of campus and away from the threat.
- Follow the directions of public safety officials regarding direction of travel when coming out of parking lots. They may not let you take the quickest route to your destination, but they will provide a more orderly flow of traffic.
If an on-campus emergency is determined to be a threat to the entire community the local police department or fire department will determine what information will be distributed. Information can be distributed through one or more of the following methods:

- Local radio stations

At least one follow-up message will be distributed through the Code Blue Alert System, email blast, and/or on the USU Eastern homepage.

All members of the USU Eastern community are encouraged to notify the USUEPD of any situation or incident on campus that involves a significant emergency or dangerous situation that may involve an immediate or ongoing threat to the health and safety of students and/or employees on campus. You can use any of the following methods to make the notification:

- Call 911 – If you are using a campus phone you will be connected to the USUEPD Dispatch Center (Price Public Safety Dispatch). If you are using a cell phone, you will be connected with the Price Public Safety Dispatch Center, which will transfer you to the USUEPD.
- Call (435) 637-0890 – You will be connected to the USUEPD Dispatch Center (Price Public Safety Dispatch).

**EMERGENCY EVACUATION EXERCISES**

USU Eastern conducts at least one test of our emergency response and evacuation procedures each year. In conjunction with that drill we will make available our emergency response and evacuation procedures. In addition, other emergency response tests are conducted each year, such as table top exercises, field exercises, or tests of the emergency notification system. These tests are designed to assess and evaluate the emergency plans and capabilities of the institution.

The university conducts two unannounced evacuation drills each year in each of the on-campus housing facilities that have central fire alarm systems. The residents in these facilities are required to evacuate and go to their designated location.

**DATING VIOLENCE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCe, SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND STALKING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

1. Procedures for Reporting a Complaint

Reports of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking should be reported to USUEPD police as described in the next section. Medical attention and other help are available as needed. Reports of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking should also be reported to the Title IX office.
2. Written Explanation of Procedures
When dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking is reported to the university, whether the offense occurred on campus or off campus, the university will provide the student or employee a written explanation of the student’s or employee’s options for reporting, confidentiality, services, and accommodations that may be available for victims.

3. University Policies and Processes
Acts of violence, including sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, stalking, and other violent, threatening, or destructive acts may violate one or more university policies, including USU policies 303, 305, 339, 342, and 407. These policies set standards of conduct for students, faculty, and staff. USU policies 305, 407, and article vii of the student code describe the processes for responding to claims that violate these standards.

Where it is complained that acts are motivated by discriminatory intent (animus based on sex/gender/sexual orientation/gender identity, race/ethnicity, religion, age, disability, and other “protected classifications”), rights and processes described in USU policies 303, 305, 339, 347, 407, and article vii of the student code are applied regardless of the status of the accused as staff, faculty, or student, with appeal rights through the policies described above. The steps involved, including how to make a complaint, anticipated timelines, and decision making processes are described in said policies.

Information about standards of review, timeframes, protective measures and accommodations, individual protective orders, resources, and retaliation related to dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking are found within USU policies 303, 305, 339, 347, and 407.

PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW IF A SEX OFFENSE, DATING VIOLENCE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, OR STALKING OCCURS

Incidents of on-campus dating violence, domestic violence, sex offenses, or stalking should be reported to the University Police at (435) 613-5612, (435) 613-5677 or by calling 911 in emergencies. Off-campus incidents should be reported to appropriate local law enforcement officials. If desired, personnel from Student Affairs or Title IX will assist a victim in notifying the appropriate law enforcement authorities when any of these offenses occur. A victim of these offenses has the option to decline to notify law enforcement but may still report the incident to the Title IX Coordinator by filing an online report at aaeo.usu.edu or calling (435) 613-5678. Prompt reporting helps the victim receive medical assistance, counseling, or other support services (e.g. housing relocation, change in classes, etc.) and allows for the collection and preservation of crucial evidence. It is important to preserve evidence that may assist in proving that the alleged criminal offense occurred.

Victims of sexual assault should do the following:

- Escape and go to a safe place as soon as possible.
- Preserve all physical evidence (do not bathe, douche, brush teeth, wash hands, shower or change clothing).
- Use a clean jar to collect any urine.
- Find a trusted individual to provide moral support and company.
- Use the campus and community resources listed in this publication to aid in recovery.
- Seek medical attention if needed.
- Save all text messages and emails that you receive from the suspect.
- Save all text messages and emails you send or those you receive from friends in reference to the incident.
- Report the offense immediately to the police. If you live in a campus residence hall, your resident director or resident assistant can help you contact the proper authorities.
- Seek medical attention.
- If you do not want to contact the police, you may contact the SAAVI office, the USU Eastern Counseling Center, or Four Corners Mental Health. These agencies can help you process the assault. Their phone numbers are listed at the end of this document.

Sexual assault is a criminal offense of varying degrees. Depending upon circumstances, a perpetrator of a sexual assault may be charged with crimes ranging from a class B misdemeanor to a first degree felony. The USU Eastern Police Department will vigorously work to prosecute anyone who commits a sexual assault.

VICTIM ACCOMMODATIONS

Victims of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking who report to the Title IX coordinator will be given written notification of options for protective measures as well as how to request changes to academic, living, transportation, and employment situations. When reasonably available, regardless of whether the victim chooses to pursue a formal complaint with the university or local law enforcement, the following accommodations can be requested by the victim:
• Access to academic accommodations, including classroom changes, extensions, rescheduling exams, and withdrawals
• Change in campus housing
• Change in on-campus work schedule, including being placed on administrative leave
• Implementation of a “no contact order” or trespass letter shielding a student from ongoing contact with an individual
• Change in parking assignment

To request accommodations a victim should contact the Title IX coordinator.

An individual also has the option to request safety escorts from the USUEPD.

The university will provide written notification to victims of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking regarding resources for counseling, health, mental health, victim advocacy, visa and immigration assistance (as appropriate), student financial aid assistance, and other services for victims both on campus and in the community.

The privacy of victims and other parties will be maintained to the extent possible. Only those individuals who must know in order to provide the requested accommodations will be advised of the victim’s identity. Personally identifying information will not be included in Clery Act reporting and disclosures.

Victims have a right to seek a protective order against an aggressor from the courts. The Carbon County Victim Advocate ((435) 636-3250) can assist in obtaining protective orders. Preserved evidence may be helpful in obtaining a protective order. If a victim obtains a protective order, a copy of that order should be brought to the USUEPD so they are aware of it. Protective order violations will be enforced when they occur on the USU Eastern campus.

In appropriate cases USU Eastern will issue no contact orders as part of the campus judicial process.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE

CONFIDENTIAL RESOURCES

If you do not want to contact the police, you may contact the SAAVI office, the USU Eastern Counseling Center, or Four Corners Mental Health. These agencies can help you process the assault. Their phone numbers are listed at the end of this document. Conversations with these resources are not shared with the Title IX coordinator without your consent, and do not trigger a university action and/or investigation except in rare circumstances.

RISK REDUCTION

With no intent to victim blame and recognizing that only abusers are responsible for their abuse, the following are some strategies to reduce one’s risk of sexual assault or harassment (taken from the Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network, www.rainn.org)

1. Be aware of your surroundings. Knowing where you are and who is around you may help you to find a way to get out of a bad situation.
2. Try to avoid isolated areas. It is more difficult to get help if no one is around.
3. Walk with purpose. Even if you don’t know where you are going, act like you do.
4. Trust your instincts. If a situation or location feels unsafe or uncomfortable, it probably isn’t the best place to be.
5. Try not to load yourself down with packages or bags as this can make you appear more vulnerable.
6. Make sure your cell phone is with you and charged and that you have cab money.
7. Don’t allow yourself to be isolated with someone you don’t trust or someone you don’t know.
8. Avoid putting music headphones in both ears so that you can be more aware of your surroundings, especially if you are walking alone.
9. When you go to a social gathering, go with a group of friends. Arrive together, check in with each other throughout the evening, and leave together. Knowing where you are and who is around you may help you to find a way out of a bad situation.
10. Trust your instincts. If you feel unsafe in any situation, go with your gut. If you see something suspicious, contact law enforcement immediately (local authorities can be reached by calling 911 in most areas of the U.S.).
11. Don’t leave your drink unattended while talking, dancing, using the restroom, or making a phone call. If you’ve left your drink alone, just get a new one.
12. Don’t accept drinks from people you don’t know or trust. If you choose to accept a drink, go with the person to the bar to order it, watch it being poured, and carry it yourself. At parties, don’t drink from the punch bowls or other large, common open containers.
13. Watch out for your friends, and vice versa. If a friend seems out of it, is way too intoxicated for the amount of alcohol they’ve had, or is acting out of character, get him or her to a safe place immediately.
14. If you suspect you or a friend has been drugged, contact law enforcement immediately (local authorities can be reached by calling 911 in most areas of the U.S.). Be explicit with doctors so they can give you the correct tests (you will need a urine test and possibly others).

15. If you need to get out of an uncomfortable or scary situation here are some things that you can try:
   a. **Remember that being in this situation is not your fault.** You did not do anything wrong, it is the person who is making you uncomfortable that is to blame.
   b. **Be true to yourself.** Don’t feel obligated to do anything you don’t want to do. “I don’t want to” is always a good enough reason. Do what feels right to you and what you are comfortable with.
   c. **Have a code word with your friends or family** so that if you don’t feel comfortable you can call them and communicate your discomfort without the person you are with knowing. Your friends or family can then come to get you or make up an excuse for you to leave.
   d. **Lie.** If you don’t want to hurt the person’s feelings it is better to lie and make up a reason to leave than to stay and be uncomfortable, scared, or worse. Some excuses you could use are: needing to take care of a friend or family member, not feeling well, having somewhere else that you need to be, etc.

16. **Try to think of an escape route.** How would you try to get out of the room? Where are the doors? Windows? Are there people around who might be able to help you? Is there an emergency phone nearby?

17. **If you and/or the other person have been drinking,** you can say that you would rather wait until you both have your full judgment before doing anything you may regret later.

**HOW TO BE AN ACTIVE BYSTANDER**

Bystanders play a critical role in the prevention of sexual and relationship violence. They are individuals who observe violence or witness the conditions that perpetuate violence. They are not directly involved but have the choice to intervene, speak up, or do something about it. USU Eastern promotes a culture of community accountability where bystanders are actively engaged in the prevention of violence without causing further harm. Below is a list of some ways to be an active bystander. Further information regarding bystander intervention may be found. If you or someone else is in immediate danger, dial 911. This could be when a person is yelling at or being physically abusive towards another and it is not safe for you to interrupt.

1. **Watch out for your friends and fellow students/employees.** If you see someone who looks like they could be in trouble or need help, ask if they are ok.
2. **Confront people who seclude, hit on, try to make out with, or have sex with anyone who is incapacitated.**
3. **Speak up when someone discusses plans to take sexual advantage of another person.**
4. **Believe someone who discloses sexual assault, abusive behavior, or experience with stalking.**
5. **Refer people to on-or-off campus resources listed in this document for support in health, counseling, or with legal assistance.**

**UNIVERSITY DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS AGAINST THOSE WHO COMMIT DATING VIOLENCE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND STALKING**

**If a student or employee** is accused of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, the Title IX coordinator, or a designee, will investigate the incident. In addition to any police investigation, an accused student or employee — or respondent — will be notified of the accusation and will be provided with an opportunity to respond. The Title IX coordinator will explain the procedures, rights, and options. If the respondent is found to be responsible for violating USU policies, then an appropriate disciplinary action will be imposed by the Office of Student Conduct, Human Resources Office, or appropriate academic department depending on their status as a student, staff member, or faculty member. A conduct hearing may be called together for an appeal of the sanction or dispute that a violation occurred. All disciplinary procedures will be conducted with a prompt, fair, and impartial process from the initial investigation to the final result.

Any disciplinary hearing will be conducted by officials who do not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against the complainant or the respondent, and who receive annual training on issues related to dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking and on how to conduct an investigation and hearing process that protects the safety of victims and promotes accountability.
Both the complainant and respondent are entitled to the same opportunities to participate fully in the investigative process, as well as subsequent hearings. Both students and employees are allowed to have an advisor, which may be an attorney, and/or support person of their choosing present during a disciplinary proceeding. Both parties shall be simultaneously informed in writing of the outcome of any institutional disciplinary proceeding alleging dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Both parties will also be informed in writing of any change to the result of a hearing and when results become final.

The standard of evidence that will be used in any disciplinary proceeding arising from an allegation of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking will be a preponderance of the evidence.

The sanctions for students found to have been in violation of the student code that may be imposed include a warning, community service, probation, suspension, expulsion, or some combination thereof. Conditions may be placed on a student’s readmission. Possible sanctions for employees include verbal warning, written warning, suspension, and termination.

The decision of a hearing board may be appealed by the student or employee who was found to have committed a misconduct violation. In sexual misconduct cases, both the complainant and the respondent may appeal the decision of the hearing board. The appeal must be made in writing to the vice president for Student Affairs within 10 days from the date the copy of the hearing board’s report is mailed or delivered to the students. Any other party may appeal the decision within the 10 day period on the sole basis of new evidence.

The university will provide an explanation of these procedures to the complainant and the respondent.

VICTIM NOTIFICATION

USU Eastern will disclose to an alleged victim of a crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense or policy violation, the report on the results of any disciplinary proceeding conducted by the institution against the respondent to the policy violation. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of such crime or offense, the next of kin of such victim shall be treated as the alleged victim for purposes of this paragraph.

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY

The Federal Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act, enacted on October 28, 2000, requires convicted sex offenders to register with the jurisdiction in which they reside. Offenders are required to submit to the registry if they are working, volunteering or attending Utah State University. Additional information about the sex offender registry provided by the Utah Department of Correction is available at: corrections.utah.gov/index.php/victim-resources/sex-offender-kidnap-offender-registry

CRIME DEFINITIONS

In accordance with the Clery Act, these crimes are classified based on the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s (FBI’s) Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook (UCR). For sex offenses only, the definitions are from the FBI’s National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) edition of the UCR. Hate crimes are defined according to the FBI’s Uniform Crime Reporting Hate Crime Data Collection Guidelines and Training Guide for Hate Crime Data Collection.

Although the law states that institutions must use the UCR for defining and classifying crimes, it does not require Clery Act crime reporting to meet all UCR standards.

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.

Prior to 2014 the following definitions were used for the Clery Report regarding sex offenses:


2Bystander intervention strategies adapted from Stanford University’s Office of Sexual Assault and Relationship Abuse
Sex offenses:

- **Fforcible sodomy**: Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person, forcibly and/or against that person’s will; or not forcibly against the person’s will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

- **Sexual assault with an object**: The use of an object or instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person, forcibly and/or against that person’s will; or not forcibly or against the person’s will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

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

- **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.

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

**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. (It is not necessary that injury result from an aggravated assault when a gun, knife, or other weapon is used that could and probably would result in serious personal injury if the crime was successfully completed).

**Burglary**: The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or theft. For reporting purposes, this definition includes: unlawful entry with intent to commit a larceny or felony, breaking and entering with intent to commit a larceny, housebreaking, safecracking, and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned.

**Motor vehicle theft**: The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. For reporting purposes, this definition includes all cases where automobiles are taken by persons not having lawful access—even if the vehicles are later abandoned (including joyriding).

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

**Hate crimes**: 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 one or more of the following actual or perceived characteristics: race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, disability, gender identity, and national origin. For reporting purposes, hate crimes include any of the following offenses that are motivated by bias: murder and non-negligent manslaughter, sexual offenses (rape, fondling, incest, and statutory rape), robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, arson, theft, simple assault, intimidation, or destruction/damage/vandalism of property.

**Illegal weapons possession**: The violation 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. This classification encompasses weapons offenses that are regulatory in nature. Included in this classification are the following: the manufacture, sale, or possession of deadly weapons; carrying deadly weapons, concealed or openly; using, manufacturing, etc., silencers; furnishing deadly weapons to minors; aliens possessing deadly weapons; and attempts to commit any of the above.

**Drug law violations**: 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. This includes the unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation, or importation of any controlled drug or narcotic substance, as well as any arrests for violations of state and local laws, specifically those relating to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing, and making of narcotic drugs. Included in this classification are the following: all drugs, without exception, that are illegal under local or state law; and all illegally obtained prescription drugs.

**Liquor law violations**: The 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. The following are included in this classification: the manufacture, sale, transporting, furnishing, possessing, etc., of intoxicating liquor; maintaining unlawful drinking places; bootlegging; operating a still; furnishing liquor to a minor or intermperate person; underage possession; using a vehicle for illegal transportation of liquor; and drinking on a public conveyance.

**Stalking**: Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for his/her safety or the safety of others or to suffer substantial emotional distress.

**Attempted crimes**: This report does not differentiate between attempted and completed crimes. For example, an incident involving an attempted forcible rape is counted as a forcible sex offense. The only exception to this rule applies to attempts or assaults to murder when the victim does not die. These incidents are classified as aggravated assaults rather than murders.
FEDERAL CLERY ACT DEFINITIONS OF DATING VIOLENCE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND STALKING

The Clery Act defines the crimes of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking as follows:

**Dating violence:** Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim.

i. The existence of such a relationship shall be based on the reporting party’s statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, type of relationship, and frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

ii. For the purposes of this definition—
   A) Dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse.
   B) Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence.

iii. For the purposes of complying with the requirements of this section and §668.41, any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

**Domestic violence:**

i. A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed:
   A) By a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim;
   B) By a person with whom the victim shares a child in common;
   C) By a person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the victim as a spouse or intimate partner;
   D) By a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred; or
   E) 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 in which the crime of violence occurred.

ii. For the purposes of complying with the requirements of this section and §668.41, any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

**Sexual assault:** An offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape as used in the FBI’s UCR program. Per the NIBRS user manual from the FBI UCR program, a sex offense is “any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent.”

- **Rape:** The penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim.
- **Fondling:** The touching of the private parts of another person for the purposes of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.
- **Incest:** Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.
- **Statutory rape:** Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

**Stalking:**

i. Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to —
   A) Fear for the person’s safety or the safety of others; or
   B) Suffer substantial emotional distress.

ii. For the purposes of this definition —
   A) **Course of Conduct** means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts that the stalker directly, indirectly, or through third parties, by any action, method, device, or means follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about, a person, or interferes with a person’s property.
   B) **Reasonable Person** means a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the victim.
   C) **Substantial Emotional Distress** means significant mental suffering or anguish that may, but does not necessarily, require medical or other professional treatment or counseling.

iii. For the purposes of complying with the requirements of this section and section 668.41, any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.
UTAH DEFINITIONS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT AND STALKING

Dating violence – 78B-7-402(4): “Dating violence” means:

(a) any criminal offense involving violence or physical harm, or threat of violence or physical harm, when committed by a person against a dating partner of the person; or
(b) any attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation by a person to commit a criminal offense involving violence or physical harm against a dating partner of the person.

Domestic violence – 77-36-1(4): “Domestic violence” means any criminal offense involving violence or physical harm or threat of violence or physical harm, or any attempt, conspiracy, or solicitation to commit a criminal offense involving violence or physical harm, when committed by one cohabitant against another. “Domestic violence” also means commission or attempt to commit, any of the following offenses by one cohabitant against another:

(a) aggravated assault, as described in Section 76-5-103;
(b) assault, as described in Section 76-5-102;
(c) criminal homicide, as described in Section 76-5-201;
(d) harassment, as described in Section 76-5-106;
(e) electronic communication harassment, as described in Section 76-9-201;
(f) kidnapping, child kidnapping, or aggravated kidnapping, as described in Sections 76-5-301, 76-5-301.1, and 76-5-302;
(g) mayhem, as described in Section 76-5-105;
(h) sexual offenses, as described in Title 76, Chapter 5, Part 4, Sexual Offenses, and Section 76-5b-201, Sexual Exploitation of a Minor;
(i) stalking, as described in Section 76-5-106.5;
(j) unlawful detention or unlawful detention of a minor, as described in Section 76-5-304;
(k) violation of a protective order or ex parte protective order, as described in Section 76-5-108;
(l) any offense against property described in Title 76, Chapter 6, Part 1, Property Destruction, Part 2, Burglary and Criminal Trespass, or Part 3, Robbery;
(m) possession of a deadly weapon with intent to assault, as described in Section 76-10-507;
(n) discharge of a firearm from a vehicle, near a highway, or in the direction of any person, building, or vehicle, as described in Section 76-10-508;
(o) disorderly conduct, as defined in Section 76-9-102, if a conviction of disorderly conduct is the result of a plea agreement in which the defendant was originally charged with any of the domestic violence offenses otherwise described in this Subsection (4). Conviction of disorderly conduct as a domestic violence offense, in the manner described in this Subsection (4)(o), does not constitute a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence under 18 U.S.C. Section 921, and is exempt from the provisions of the federal Firearms Act, 18 U.S.C. Section 921 et seq.; or
(p) child abuse as described in Section 76-5-109.1.

Sexual assault: An offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape as used by the State of Utah.

- Rape – 76-5-402
  (1) A person commits rape when the actor has sexual intercourse with another person without the victim’s consent.

- Object rape – 76-5-402.2
  (1) A person [commits object rape] who, without the victim’s consent, causes the penetration, however slight, of the genital or anal opening of another person who is 14 years of age or older, by any foreign object, substance, instrument, or device, including a part of the human body other than the mouth or genitals, with intent to cause substantial emotional or bodily pain to the victim or with the intent to arouse or gratify the sexual desire of any person.

- Fondling – 76-5-404 (Forcible sexual abuse in Utah)
  (1) A person commits forcible sexual abuse (Fondling) if the victim is 14 years of age or older and, under circumstances not amounting to rape, object rape, sodomy, or attempted rape or sodomy, the actor touches the anus, buttocks, or any part of the genitals of another, or touches the breast of a female, or otherwise takes indecent liberties with another, or causes another to take indecent liberties with the actor or another, with intent to cause substantial emotional or bodily pain to any person or with the intent to arouse or gratify the sexual desire of any person, without the consent of the other, regardless of the sex of any participant.
Incest – 76-7-102

Incest

1) An actor is guilty of incest when, under circumstances not amounting to rape, rape of a child, or aggravated sexual assault, the actor knowingly and intentionally:
   a) engages in conduct under Subsection (2)(b)(i), (ii), (iii), or (iv); or
   b) provides a human egg or seminal fluid under Subsection (2)(b)(v).

2) Conduct referred to under Subsection (2)(a) is:
   a) sexual intercourse between the actor and a person the actor knows has kinship to the actor as a related person;
   b) the insertion or placement of the provider's seminal fluid into the vagina, cervix, or uterus of a related person by means other than sexual intercourse; (iii) providing or making available his seminal fluid for the purpose of insertion or placement of the fluid into the vagina, cervix, or uterus of a related person by means other than sexual intercourse;
   c) a woman 18 years of age or older who:
      i) knowingly allows the insertion of the seminal fluid of a provider into her vagina, cervix, or uterus by means other than sexual intercourse; and
      ii) knows that the seminal fluid is that of a person with whom she has kinship as a related person; or
   iii) providing the actor's sperm or human egg that is used to conduct in vitro fertilization, or any other means of fertilization, with the human egg or sperm of a person who is a related person.

Statutory rape – 76-5-401

(1) For purposes of this section “minor” is a person who is 14 years of age or older, but younger than 16 years of age, at the time the sexual activity described in this section occurred.

(2) A person 18 years of age or older commits unlawful sexual activity with a minor if, under circumstances not amounting to rape, in violation of Section 76-5-402, object rape, in violation of Section 76-5-402.2, forcible sodomy, in violation of Section 76-5-403, or aggravated sexual assault, in violation of Section 76-5-405, the actor:
   a) has sexual intercourse with the minor;
   b) engages in any sexual act with the minor involving the genitals of one person and the mouth or anus of another person, regardless of the sex of either participant; or
   c) causes the penetration, however slight, of the genital or anal opening of the minor by any foreign object, substance, instrument, or device, including a part of the human body, with the intent to cause substantial emotional or bodily pain to any person or with the intent to arouse or gratify the sexual desire of any person, regardless of the sex of any participant.

Stalking – 76-5-106.5

(2) A person is guilty of stalking who intentionally or knowingly engages in a course of conduct directed at a specific person and knows or should know that the course of conduct would cause a reasonable person:
   a) to fear for the person's own safety or the safety of a third person; or
   b) to suffer other emotional distress.
   c) Course of conduct means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts in which the stalker directly, indirectly, or through third parties, by any action, method, device, or means, follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about a person, or interferes with a person's property.

(3) A person is guilty of stalking who intentionally or knowingly violates:
   a) a stalking injunction issued pursuant to Title 77, Chapter 3a, Stalking Injunctions; or
   b) a permanent criminal stalking injunction issued pursuant to this section.

CONSENT

STATE OF UTAH DEFINITION

In Utah consent is defined by Utah code section 76-5-406. Sexual offenses against the victim without consent of victim – Circumstances, as follows:

An act of sexual intercourse, rape, attempted rape, rape of a child, attempted rape of a child, object rape, attempted object rape, object rape of a child, attempted object rape of a child, sodomy, attempted sodomy, forcible sodomy, attempted forcible sodomy, sodomy on a child, attempted sodomy on a child, forcible sexual abuse, attempted forcible sexual abuse, sexual abuse of a child, attempted sexual abuse of a child, aggravated sexual abuse of a child, attempted aggravated sexual abuse of a child, or simple sexual abuse is without consent of the victim under any of the following circumstances:
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there, or why or how they became engaged in a sexual interaction. Some indicators of incapacitation may include, but are not limited to, lack of awareness of circumstances or surroundings, or the inability to communicate for any reason. An individual may experience a blackout state in which they appear to be giving consent, but do not actually have conscious awareness or the

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USU EASTERN DEFINITION OF CONSENT

Consent to engage in sexual activity must be informed, freely given and mutual. Consent must be ongoing, throughout each instance of sexual activity, and for each form of sexual contact. Consent to one form of sexual contact does not constitute consent to all forms of sexual contact. For example, an individual may agree to kiss but choose not to engage in touching of the intimate parts or sexual intercourse. An individual should obtain consent before moving from one act to another. In the state of Utah, a 16 or 17 year old cannot consent to sexual activity if the other person is ten (10) or more years older than the minor.

· Consent consists of an outward demonstration indicating that an individual has freely chosen to engage in sexual activity. Consent is demonstrated through mutually understandable words and/or actions that clearly indicate a willingness to engage freely in sexual activity. Relying on non-verbal communication can lead to misunderstandings. Consent may not be inferred from silence, passivity, lack of resistance or lack of active response alone. In the absence of an outward demonstration, consent does not exist. If at any time it is reasonably apparent that either party is hesitant, confused or uncertain, both parties should stop and obtain mutual verbal consent before continuing sexual activity.

· A current or previous dating or sexual relationship, by itself, is not sufficient to constitute consent. Even in the context of a relationship, there must be mutually understandable communication that clearly indicates willingness to engage in sexual activity each time such activity occurs.

· Consent does not exist if it results from the use or threat of physical force, intimidation, or coercion, or any other factor that would eliminate an individual's ability to exercise their own free will to choose whether or not to have sexual contact.

· A person who is incapacitated is not able to make informed decisions or be aware of their consequences and therefore is incapable of giving consent. Incapacitation is the inability, temporarily or permanently, to give consent because the individual is mentally and/or physically helpless due to drug or alcohol consumption, either voluntarily or involuntarily, or the individual is unconscious, asleep or otherwise unaware that the sexual activity is occurring. In addition, individuals are incapacitated if they demonstrate that they are unaware of where they are, how they got there, or why or how they became engaged in a sexual interaction. Some indicators of incapacitation may include, but are not limited to, lack of control over physical movements, lack of awareness of circumstances or surroundings, or the inability to communicate for any reason. An individual may experience a blackout state in which they appear to be giving consent, but do not actually have conscious awareness or the
ability to consent. It is especially important, therefore, that anyone engaging in sexual activity be aware of the other person’s level of intoxication or impairment. Being intoxicated or impaired by drugs or alcohol is never an excuse for sexual misconduct and does not excuse one from the responsibility to obtain consent. It is not an excuse that the party initiating sexual contact was intoxicated and therefore did not realize the incapacity of the other.

CAMPUS CRIME STATISTICS

The following statistics are compiled in accordance with definitions used in the Uniform Crime Reporting System of the Department of Justice and the FBI as modified by the Hate Crime Statistics Act. These statistical tables include the number of all reported offenses, without regard to the findings of a court, coroner or jury, or the decision of a prosecutor.

Under VAWA, effective March 7, 2014, colleges and universities are required to report domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, beyond crime categories the Clery Act already mandates.

STATISTICS TABLE

This Crime Statistics Report may or may not reflect the actual number of crimes committed on campus; however, it does accurately represent the number of the following defined crimes that were reported to USU Police directly or to campus security authorities. In the following tables, the “on campus” category includes crimes that occurred in on-campus housing. The “non-campus” category includes property owned or controlled by officially recognized (or registered) student organizations and property located off campus but owned or controlled by USU.
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### HATE CRIMES

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No hate crimes for any of the categories listed above were reported for 2016 on the USU Eastern campuses (including Price and Blanding).
UNFOUNDED CRIMES

If a reported crime is investigated by law enforcement authorities and found to be false or baseless, the crime is "unfounded." Only sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel may find that a crime is unfounded. This statistic was required beginning in 2014.

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REGIONAL CAMPUSES

Utah State University maintains several regional campuses and distance education centers throughout the state. These campuses are located in the communities noted below. With the exception of both the USU Eastern Campus Price and Blanding campuses, none of these locations reported any of the criminal offenses, arrests, disciplinary actions, or fires required to be reported under the Clery Act.

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IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

CAMPUS RESOURCES

Utah State University Department of Public Safety – Police, Fire, Medical Emergencies .......................................................... 911
USU Eastern Police business line .................................................. (435) 613-5612, (435) 613-5677
USU Eastern Fire Marshal ............................................................ (435) 797-1979
USU Eastern Emergency Manager ................................................. (435) 613-5282
Vice Chancellor for Student Services ........................................... (435) 613-5678
Carbon County Victim Advocate .................................................. (435) 636-3250
USU Eastern Counseling and Psychological Services (confidential) ................................... (435) 613-5670
Student Wellness Center (help with alcohol and substance abuse) ................................ (435) 613-5670
Affirmative Action Office ........................................................... (435) 613-5678
Disability Resource Center ......................................................... (435) 613-5337
USU Eastern Human Resources Office ........................................... (435) 613-5678
USU Sexual Assault and Anti-Violence Information Office ....................... (435) 797-7273

OFF-CAMPUS RESOURCES

Carbon County (Community Abuse Prevention Services Agency) ........................................ (435) 636-3250
Alcohol and Drug Counseling ....................................................... (435) 637-2358
Alcohol Information and Referral Help Line .................................... (800) 252-6465
DCFS Social Services Child Abuse and Family Services ........................ (435) 636-2360
Four Corners Mental Health (confidential) ...................................... (435) 637-2358
Women’s Shelter ........................................................................... (435) 637-6589, (435) 636-2360
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY EASTERN
2016 FIRE SAFETY REPORT

The Higher Education Act requires disclosure of fire safety standards and measures for on-campus student housing facilities by October first of each year. This report includes statistics for the three most recent completed years, a description of each on-campus student housing facility fire safety system, the number of fire drills held during the previous calendar year, the institution’s policies or rules on portable electrical appliances, smoking and open flames in a student housing facility, the institution’s procedures for student housing evacuation in the case of a fire and policies regarding fire safety education, and training programs provided to students and employees.

DEPARTMENTS OR ORGANIZATION TO WHOM STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES SHOULD REPORT THAT A FIRE OCCURRED

In accordance with federal law, USU Eastern is required to annually disclose statistical data on all fires that occur in on-campus student housing facilities. Listed below are the non-emergency numbers to call to report fires that have already been extinguished in on-campus student housing. These are fires for which you are unsure whether the USU Eastern Public Safety Department may already be aware. If you find evidence of such a fire or if you hear about such a fire, please contact one of the following:

- Utah State University Eastern Public Safety: (435) 613-5612; (435) 613-5677
- Utah State University Eastern Residence Office: (435) 613-5289

When calling, please provide as much information as possible about the location, date, time, and cause of the fire.

DAILY FIRE LOG

A daily fire log for the most recent 60-day period is available for review 24 hours a day at the USUEPD. Logs older than 60 days will be made available within two business days of a request for public inspections. This log can also be found at www.dps.usu.edu/fire-log

2016 FIRE SAFETY SYSTEMS IN STUDENT HOUSING FACILITIES AND FIRE DRILLS (EASTERN PRICE)

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General information about the emergency response and evacuation procedures for USU Eastern is published each year as part of the institution’s Clery Act compliance efforts. More information regarding the emergency response plan is available on the USU Eastern Department of Public Safety website at: www.usu.edu/emergency
USU EASTERN POLICY ON PORTABLE ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES, SMOKING, AND OPEN FLAMES IN STUDENT HOUSING FACILITIES

The following items or actions can represent a potential fire hazard and are therefore prohibited. A minimum $25 fine may result for each prohibited item discovered by staff, with fines escalating for repeat offenses.

1. Incense and incense burners
2. Candles and other open flame items are expressly prohibited campus-wide unless authorized by the university fire marshal. Decorative candles may be displayed but are strongly discouraged. Wicks must remain white and unburned. Candle warmers are prohibited as by the state fire marshal
   a. Candle usage may be requested to the university fire marshal for:
      i. Theatrical or other entertaining arts performances
      ii. Dining Services areas
      iii. Special religious ceremonies
      iv. Other purposes as may appear necessary
3. All coiled resistance units (such as hot-plates)
4. Halogen bulbs
5. Space heaters or other portable-heating units, unless provided by USU Eastern Housing
6. Inappropriate indoor storage of flammable liquid
7. Installing plastic or paper liners in and around apartment stoves
8. Taping or hanging material from smoke detectors or fire extinguishers
9. Grilling on BBQs within 25 feet of any USU Eastern Housing building. If your grill uses propane the tank cannot be stored on your porch or in your room/apartment.
10. Smoking is prohibited in all USU academic building and residence halls.

All electrical appliances and cords must meet UL (Underwriters Laboratory) safety standards. UL-approved power strips must be used when more than two electrical items share an outlet. The USU fire marshal highly recommends purchasing extension cords manufactured by Fire Shield (available at Walmart for under $10), which sense damage caused by overload, overheating, pinching, or aging and shut off the power in 25/1,000 of a second if a dangerous condition is detected.

Mini-refrigerator, freezers, and air conditioners that require 1,500 watts of power use or less are allowed and must be plugged directly into a wall. As required by state fire code, all appliances, including microwaves, must be plugged directly into a wall outlet, not a surge protector or extension cord.

This policy will be enforced by USU Eastern Housing staff.

SPACE HEATERS

Approved space heaters are ceramic and oil filled heaters and MUST have the following:

- UL listing 1,500 watts or under
- Self-limiting element temperature setting
- Automatic tip over protection
- Built in timer that does not exceed an 8-hour time limit
- Built in programmable thermostat
- Thermal limiter to protect against overheating

General Rules to follow:

- Allow a 3-foot clearance between the heater and anything that burns
- Always plug the heater directly into an outlet to avoid overheating of cords
- Use the heater only as long as required
- Shut off the heater whenever it is not in use
- Place the heater on a level surface
- Always shut the heater off when no one is home to watch it
- No open element or metallic element heaters are allowed (anything that glows red when on)
- No fuel fired heaters are allowed (kerosene, propane, etc.)

Fire drills or fire safety programs are conducted by the University Fire Marshal and Residence Life staff to ensure that residents are familiar with emergency evacuation procedures and general fire safety. When requested or mandated, all occupants must immediately evacuate a residence hall. Interfering with
or noncompliance will result in disciplinary action, including a $100 fine. Residents are also required by the fire marshal to keep hallways, stairwells, and balconies clear of obstructions at all times, to facilitate proper access and egress.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

A fire extinguisher is located in all apartments on the kitchen wall. In traditional housing the extinguisher is located in the hallways on each floor. If the extinguisher is discharged while putting out a fire, promptly notify USU Eastern Housing Facilities. If it occurs after-hours or on weekends, immediately notify USU Eastern Police by calling dispatch (435) 637-0890 or by calling 911. The extinguisher will be replaced immediately at no cost. The extinguisher must not be re-hung or relocated after discharge.

Fire extinguishers or other equipment can only be discharged in an actual fire emergency. Starting fires, tampering with or misuse of fire safety equipment, or falsely reporting a fire may result in criminal prosecution.

Fire extinguishers are checked by the University Fire Marshal at least annually. If an extinguisher is found to be empty, tampered with, relocated, or missing, the student apartment will be charged $75 for recharging and/or replacement. Periodically inspect the fire extinguisher gauge to be certain it is properly charged. If the needle indicates that it is undercharged or overcharged, call the Housing Facilities Office immediately for replacement.

SMOKE DETECTORS

Smoke detectors are located in all USU Eastern Housing facilities. When the detector is activated, it will make a loud, piercing sound. When the detector beeps intermittently, the batteries need to be replaced. It is the resident’s responsibility to report to USU Eastern Housing Facilities whenever the smoke detector is inoperable or batteries need to be replaced.

Excessive amounts of smoke from cooking, or steam from the bathroom, may activate a smoke detector. If the smoke detector is overly sensitive notify USU Eastern Housing Facilities.

Any smoke detector problems after 4:30 p.m. or on weekends can be directed to on-call maintenance staff and will be handled as quickly as possible. Calls can also be left after-hours on the dispatch voicemail at USU Eastern Housing Facilities and will be handled the next morning.

Residents should leave their name, apartment number, time of call, and current problem with the detector. If Housing staff determine that the smoke detector or battery has been removed, tampered with, or is inoperable and has not been reported, the student will be charged $75. If there is a second violation, the student will be charged $100 and appropriate restorative measures imposed.

FIRE SPRINKLERS

Many USU Eastern Housing buildings have been retrofitted with fire sprinklers. It is critical that residents not tamper with the sprinkler systems, especially the sprinkler heads. The water in the sprinkler systems is under tremendous pressure and a damaged sprinkler head or pipe can lead to significant damage to both the building and resident’s property.

The resident will be responsible for all damages caused to housing facilities by breaking/or tampering with a sprinkler head. Housing is not responsible for any damage or losses that occur because of sprinklers being activated for any reason and strongly recommends residents seek insurance for their personal property.

IN CASE OF FIRE

Before a fire:

· Know the escape route and meeting location your resident advisor has designated for your area. A smoke detector can wake you, but only an escape plan can save you.
· All residents should recognize the alarm signal and how to respond. In the event that you hear a neighbor’s smoke detector ringing for an extended period of time, contact the fire department first and the Housing Residential Facilities Office next, or after hours on-call maintenance.

If a fire occurs:

· Grab your keys (if possible) and walk to the nearest exit. Most smoke and dangerous gases rise so keep your body low and move quickly. If necessary, crawl so you do not breathe the smoke.
· If you suspect a fire, touch the door or handle with the back of your hand before opening it, with your hand covered for protection. Intense heat, deadly smoke, or gas may be on the other side. If it is not hot, open it cautiously a few inches to check the other side for heat, smoke, or flames. Keep your body out of the opening doorway and be ready to slam it shut if any heat or smoke appears.
• Do not waste time getting dressed or gathering valuables. Get out of the building immediately. Call the fire department from OUTSIDE the building. Dial 911 or call the University Police Department at (435) 613-5612 or dispatch (435) 637-0890 and report the location of the fire. Stay on the telephone until instructed to hang up. If possible, alert other room/apartment occupants.

USU EASTERN FIRE SAFETY TRAINING AND SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

USU Eastern Police and the Price Fire Department conduct an annual fire training class for resident directors, resident advisers, and Housing Facilities employees at the beginning of fall semester each year. The training covers emergency procedures, review of building fire safety systems, evacuation planning, and hands-on fire extinguisher training. This training is also provided to students, faculty, and staff upon request.

PLANS FOR FUTURE FIRE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

Utah State University Eastern continues to work to upgrade fire panels across the campus.

CAMPUS RESOURCES

• USU Eastern Police Department: www.dps.usu.edu
• USU Fire Marshall Office: www.dps.usu.edu/fire
• USU Eastern Housing Handbook: www.usueastern.edu/price/housing
• USU Eastern Open Flame Policy: www.usu.edu/policies/512
• USU Public Safety: www.dps.usu.edu

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