



# **Boston University Police Safety on Campus**

**Boston University's Annual Security and Fire Safety Report  
OCTOBER 2017**



## REPORTING EMERGENCIES

Boston University needs you to report all criminal incidents, suspicious circumstances, and safety-related emergencies occurring on University property promptly and accurately to the Boston University Police Department.

### FOR ALL EMERGENCIES

#### POLICE • MEDICAL

**On the Charles River Campus** Call the Boston University Police Department:

**617-353-2121**

**On the Medical Campus** Call the Boston University Medical Campus Department of Public Safety:

**617-414-4444**

The Boston University Police Department responds to all emergencies on campus, including reports of crime, medical emergencies, suspicious activities, fires, or other hazards.

#### FIRE

**If the emergency involves a fire, call 911 first and then call BUPD at 617-353-2121.**

Copies of this report are available by calling the Office of the Chief of Police at **617-353-5362**.

Copies of the report are also available at the Boston University Safety website at [www.bu.edu/safety](http://www.bu.edu/safety).



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# FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY

## WELCOME TO BOSTON UNIVERSITY

The city of Boston is unique and amazing. It offers a wide array of cultural, historical, and academic opportunities for Boston University students, faculty members, and employees. Nevertheless, we are in a big city on an open campus and the issues of crime, crime prevention, and personal safety must be addressed explicitly.

Although our crime rate is far lower than the national average, Boston University is not free of crime. Crimes against property, such as theft of personal property, represent the largest percentage of crime reported to the University's police department. Wallets, backpacks, laptops, cell phones, and bicycles constitute the majority of the thefts in and around campus.

The Boston University Police Department and Boston University Medical Campus Public Safety are committed to ensuring the safety of students, faculty, staff, and guests to enhance their experience within our community. Our approach to crime prevention and personal safety is highly regarded by our university and law enforcement peers. Boston University has also received the prestigious Jeanne Clery National Safe Campus Award. However, even the best safety system will fall short without your continued cooperation and commitment to your own safety and the safety of others.

Boston University's unique approach to crime prevention brings each of the University's main operating departments into an integrated safety network. This report describes the components of our comprehensive crime prevention and personal safety structure.

Your personal safety at Boston University, and the safety of each member of the community and visitors, is a primary concern and treated very seriously. Thus, the University provides an array of protective measures for you.

- Boston University's Charles River Campus is patrolled and served by armed, professional, sworn, state-certified, and academy-trained officers, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Public Safety provides directed patrols of the Medical Campus regularly and armed patrols are available to the Medical Campus 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- The Boston University Police Department and Public Safety meets regularly with University officials as well as with surrounding police agencies to share information and discuss safety concerns for our community.
- The campus has over 100 "blue-light" emergency call boxes on both the Charles River and Medical Campuses, and has an extensive video surveillance and security network system.
- The residences have automatically locking outer doors or security/ID stations.
- The University strictly enforces its visitor and overnight guest policy and rules of conduct.



Chief Kelly A. Nee

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Boston University's crime prevention and personal safety structure combines professional police patrol and investigative personnel, crime prevention initiatives, and the regular dissemination of safety information to members of the Boston University community. We are all responsible for creating and maintaining a safe and secure environment for every member of our community. Each one of us can improve our community's welfare by paying attention to our personal safety, by reporting crime and unsafe conditions, and by helping others.

There are five important things you can do and abide by to avoid being a victim of theft or a more serious crime:

1. Lock your room door when you are asleep or out of the room, even for a few minutes.
2. Don't leave personal property unattended anywhere that has public access, such as offices, gyms, libraries, cafeterias, classrooms, and the like.
3. Always be aware of your surroundings, whether on or off campus.
4. If possible, walk with friends when out at night; otherwise use Scarlet Safe Walk. **(617-353-4877)**
5. Report any suspicious activity or persons immediately to the Boston University Police Department or Medical Campus Public Safety. Do not assume they are harmless; trust your feelings.

The Police Emergency Number is **617-353-2121** for BUPD and **617-414-4444** for Medical Campus Public Safety and is located on the back of your Terrier ID card.

In our continuing effort to foster a safe and secure environment, Boston University has improved its emergency response plan and communication systems with the development of an on-demand alert and response system known as BU Alert. In the event of a critical emergency situation, such as a building fire, chemical leak, bomb threat, weather-related hazard, or any potentially violent situation, the University's Incident Command Team has the ability to simultaneously notify students, faculty, and employees of an incident through a variety of electronic means and take appropriate actions in response.

The University takes pride in maintaining an effective public safety program. Our goal is to minimize the incidence of crime and injury. Please help us by reporting anything—however trivial it may appear—that doesn't "seem right." If you see something, say something. Let this be a year in which we all work together to make our campus the safest it can be.

I welcome your comments and suggestions and I look forward to seeing you on campus.

Chief Kelly Nee  
Boston University Police Department

## THE BOSTON UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Boston University Police Department's mission is to assure the safety and security of all persons and property on the Boston University campuses.

The Boston University Police Department (BUPD) responds to and investigates crimes, maintains order and safety, and enforces Massachusetts laws and University regulations in and around the Boston University Charles River and Medical Campuses. The department is committed to community-based policing. The BUPD is a full-time, professional law enforcement agency that also provides a wide variety of public services—including emergency medical assistance—to the Boston University community. Patrols are conducted throughout the campus area 24 hours a day.

Boston University employs more than 50 state-certified police officers. All new officers complete the same five-month police academy training required of municipal officers in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Each officer must also complete at least 40 hours of additional classroom training a year, and must demonstrate safety and proficiency with issued equipment, such as firearms, twice each year. Additionally, all officers receive tactical training in the event they must respond to a potentially violent individual or situation. Officers also take specialized training courses offered by the International Association of Chiefs of Police and other professional organizations.

All Boston University police officers are empowered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to enforce criminal laws and to make arrests, not only on the campus grounds but also in the areas surrounding the University. They also hold appointments as Deputy Sheriffs of Suffolk County, Middlesex County, and Norfolk County. The prosecution of all criminal offenses are conducted by the prosecuting attorneys of the relevant jurisdiction and typically are addressed in Brookline District Court, Boston Municipal Court, or Suffolk Superior Court.

The Boston University Police Department has an excellent record for the arrest and prosecution of criminal offenders. Our work has received formal recognition from the Boston Police Commissioner and from the Suffolk County District Attorney's office. The department is widely recognized as one of the best-trained and most professional law enforcement agencies in Massachusetts. Members of the BUPD attend community meetings of the many residence associations to provide residents with up-to-date crime prevention information and to hear their concerns about crime and safety issues. The Boston University Police Department is among the few university police departments certified by the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission and the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies.



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Boston University's Charles River Campus is located at the intersection of three cities (Boston, Brookline, and Cambridge) within three different counties (Suffolk, Norfolk, and Middlesex). The Boston University Police Department works closely with other local law enforcement agencies, including the Boston Police Department, Brookline Police Department, Cambridge Police Department, MBTA Transit Police Department, county sheriffs, the Massachusetts State Police, and security departments of other area universities, as appropriate. The department has radio communications interoperability through the Boston Area Police Emergency Radio Network (BAPERN) and has access to law enforcement databases as a member agency of the Massachusetts Department of Criminal Justice Information Services. The Boston University Police Department also works with local law enforcement authorities at its Study Abroad locations, satellite campuses, and other locations outside of Boston as appropriate. The University does not have written agreements with those various law enforcement agencies.

Through coordination with local law enforcement agencies, any reported criminal activity engaged in by students at off-campus locations is monitored and recorded. This information is provided to the Dean of Students for possible disciplinary action.

The Chief of Police and Executive Director of Public Safety for Boston University reports directly to the Vice President for Administrative Services (**617-353-6500**).



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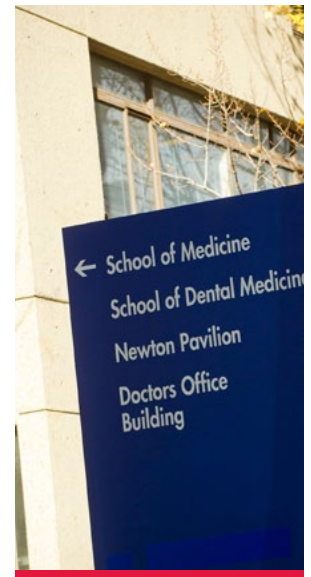


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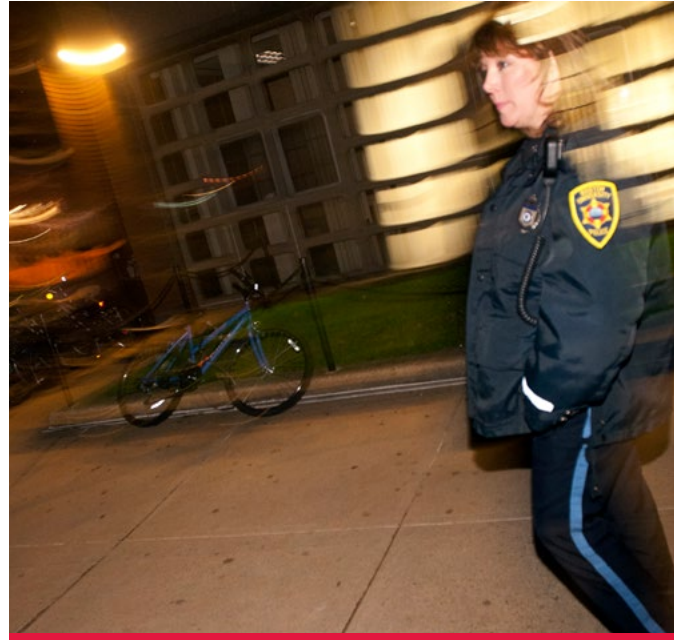
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If you have a complaint about our police service, we wish to address and resolve it quickly and fairly. Please contact the Patrol Supervisor on duty at **617-353-2110** or contact the Chief of Police and Executive Director of Public Safety (32 Harry Agganis Way, Boston, MA 02215) at **617-353-2127**.



## BOSTON UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CAMPUS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Public Safety Department provides services and support to the Boston University Schools of Medicine, Dental Medicine, and Public Health, and to the Boston Medical Center. The mission of the department is to provide a safe and secure environment for employees, patients, staff, students, and visitors while minimizing the opportunity for loss of personal and institutional assets. The 125 members of the Public Safety Department are involved in a continuous training program that addresses all relevant aspects of policing and all aspects of Medical Campus operations. Several members of the department are Special Police Officers and, as such, have the power of police officers to make arrests, preserve order, and enforce laws and ordinances in and around the Boston University Medical Campus (BUMC). Other members of the Public Safety Department have the authority to ask persons for identification and to determine whether individuals have lawful business at BUMC. The Department of Public Safety works closely with the Boston University Police and the Boston Police Department. The department has radio communications interoperability with the Boston University Police Department and has access to law enforcement databases as a member agency of the Massachusetts Department of Criminal Justice Information Services. The Department of Public Safety does not have written agreements with other law enforcement agencies.



The department's Investigations Unit is the liaison between the Medical Campus and all external law enforcement agencies. The Investigations Unit also assists agencies responsible for Head of State and Dignitary Protection on Medical Center property.

The Investigations Unit actively participates in BUMC Public Safety Department Crime Prevention Programs through presentations at student and employee orientations, departmental meetings, and with the distribution of crime prevention material. The unit also assists with the coordination of safety awareness programs offered to members of the Medical Campus. The Investigations Unit will provide security surveys and personal protection safety plans when needed.

The Public Safety Department reports to the Executive Director of Public Safety, who reports directly to the Vice President for Administrative Services (**617-353-6500**). Please address any complaint concerning the Public Safety Department to the Executive Director of Support Services, Constance L. Packard, at [cpack@bu.edu](mailto:cpack@bu.edu) or call **617-638-4935**.



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## UNIVERSITY SAFETY AND SUPPORT NETWORK

In addition to its Police Department and Medical Campus Public Safety Department, Boston University has established a comprehensive safety and security program with the following components:

### University Websites

For information about campus safety, including an online version of this report, as well as important information about sexual misconduct, alcohol, drugs, and hazing, consult the University's safety website at [www.bu.edu/safety](http://www.bu.edu/safety).

### University Security Council

The administrators of the University Security Council and senior members of the BUPD meet weekly during the academic year and regularly during the summer to coordinate the many security programs operating at Boston University. Information on current incidents is reviewed and recommendations for security improvements are discussed.

### Crisis Management Team

When any emergency, tragedy, or other unusual event occurs that will affect the campus community, this group meets as necessary to make assessments and respond to the community's needs. Crisis Management Team representatives may vary depending on the situation and come from all areas of the University's administration.

### Safety & Security

#### Boston University Police Department

32 Harry Agganis Way

**617-353-2110**; [bupolice@bu.edu](mailto:bupolice@bu.edu)

**617-353-2121** (emergencies only)

**617-353-6516** (anonymous tip line)

**617-353-5387** (TTY)

[www.bu.edu/police](http://www.bu.edu/police)

Anonymous tips may be texted to 847411. Type BU <space> and then the message. Standard text messaging rates apply. The message is anonymous and the sender may opt out at any time by texting "stop" to 847411.

The Boston University Police Department is a full-time, professional law enforcement agency that also provides a wide variety of public services, including alarms, emergency medical assistance, investigating suspicious circumstances, and responding to and investigating criminal matters. Patrols are conducted throughout the Boston University area 24 hours a day and span an area that includes over 132 acres of University-owned property and surrounding streets. Emergency response time is generally under three minutes to any location on campus.



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## **Boston University Medical Campus Public Safety Department**

750 Albany Street

**617-638-8000**; [publicsafetyadministration@bmc.org](mailto:publicsafetyadministration@bmc.org)

**617-414-5000**; **617-414-4444**

[www.bumc.bu.edu/publicsafety](http://www.bumc.bu.edu/publicsafety)

Public Safety officers at the Boston University Medical Campus provide building security and safety services to Medical Campus personnel. They provide physical security to the Medical Campus 24 hours a day, furnish escorts, and offer other assistance. The Medical Campus is also patrolled by Boston University Police Department officers, who represent the primary law enforcement agency on the Medical Campus.

### **Campus Security Authorities**

The University has designated certain administrators as campus security authorities (CSAs), who are individuals who have significant responsibility for student and campus activities, including, but not limited to, student housing, student discipline, and campus judicial proceedings. CSAs are mandated to report crimes to BUPD. The University regularly identifies those individuals who fit the definition of CSAs and provides training to assist them in fulfilling this important role. Please visit our CSA webpage at [www.bu.edu/safety/network/security](http://www.bu.edu/safety/network/security) to access the CSA training presentation. BUPD officers are also available to present the training to groups.

If you have any questions about CSA training, please contact the Boston University Police at **617-353-5362** or [bupolice@bu.edu](mailto:bupolice@bu.edu). CSA reporting forms are available at [www.bu.edu/safety/network/security](http://www.bu.edu/safety/network/security). Confidential reporting forms for counselors and clergy are available at [www.bu.edu/safety/files/2015/07/CON\\_REPORTING\\_FORM.pdf](http://www.bu.edu/safety/files/2015/07/CON_REPORTING_FORM.pdf).

### **Environmental Health & Safety**

704 Commonwealth Avenue

**617-353-4094**; [oehs@bu.edu](mailto:oehs@bu.edu)

**617-353-7233** (emergency line)

[www.bu.edu/ehs](http://www.bu.edu/ehs)

Environmental Health & Safety oversees the following health and safety programs: fire safety, laboratory safety, hazardous material management, and compliance with environmental rules and regulations. Information concerning the University's Fire Safety Program is available at [www.bu.edu/firesafety](http://www.bu.edu/firesafety).

### **Mugar Memorial Library Security**

771 Commonwealth Avenue

**617-353-4015**

[www.bu.edu/library/mugar-memorial/about/security](http://www.bu.edu/library/mugar-memorial/about/security)

Library Security staff are responsible for ensuring the safety and protection of all individuals, their belongings, and University property. Security staff are located at the entrance/exit area

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of the Mugar Memorial Library. In addition, Security staff routinely patrol the building and are identifiable by the burgundy blazers they wear.

## HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

### Student Health Services

881 Commonwealth Avenue, First Floor

**617-353-3575**

**617-353-3569** (urgent mental health-related needs)

[www.bu.edu/shs](http://www.bu.edu/shs)

Student Health Services is designed to help meet BU students' health care needs while at Boston University. SHS provides primary care, sports medicine, and counseling services by appointment and on an emergency basis. SHS also provides wellness and prevention services that address alcohol, drugs, sexual health, and healthy relationships. SHS provides resources for faculty, staff, and students to help students who may be in distress at [www.bu.edu/shs/behavioral/helpinfo](http://www.bu.edu/shs/behavioral/helpinfo).

### Sexual Assault Response & Prevention Center

930 Commonwealth Avenue

**617-353-7277**; [sarp@bu.edu](mailto:sarp@bu.edu)

[www.bu.edu/sarp](http://www.bu.edu/sarp)

The Sexual Assault Response & Prevention Center provides rapid, confidential, compassionate, supportive, and free-of-charge advocacy and assistance to BU students who have experienced a traumatic incident, including but not limited to sexual assault, physical assault, interpersonal violence, and other crimes.

### Chaplains

Marsh Chapel—735 Commonwealth Avenue

**617-353-3560**

[www.bu.edu/chapel](http://www.bu.edu/chapel)

University chaplains from a variety of religious traditions are available to all students, regardless of religious affiliation. Appointments can be scheduled, or students can visit the chapel office on weekdays between 9 a.m. and 10 p.m. University chaplains provide confidential assistance to BU students.

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## **The Albert & Jessie Danielsen Institute**

185 Bay State Road

**617-353-3047**

[www.bu.edu/danielsen](http://www.bu.edu/danielsen)

The mission of the Danielsen Institute is to alleviate suffering and to promote healing, growth, and change in the persons, communities, and institutions that we serve. The institute seeks to accomplish this mission through service, training, teaching, and research that emphasizes depth psychotherapy and is informed by spiritual, religious, and existential perspectives.

## **The Center for Anxiety & Related Disorders**

648 Beacon Street, Sixth Floor

**617-353-9610**

[www.bu.edu/card](http://www.bu.edu/card)

The Center for Anxiety & Related Disorders (CARD) is an internationally known clinical and research center dedicated to advancing knowledge and providing care for anxiety, mood, eating, sleep, and related disorders.

## **Psychological Services Center at Boston University**

**617-358-4290**

[www.bu.edu/psc](http://www.bu.edu/psc)

## **University Service Center**

881 Commonwealth Avenue, Lower Level

**617-358-1818; [usc@bu.edu](mailto:usc@bu.edu)**

[www.bu.edu/usc](http://www.bu.edu/usc)

The University Service Center is charged with the resolution of problems that are complex, highly sensitive, or that cross administrative and academic lines—including matters of safety and security. Staff members have broad discretion in identifying issues and resolving problems for students, families, and employees.

## **Counseling for Medical Students**

Behavioral medicine services for students are available on the Medical Campus. The clinic is located in the Solomon Carter Fuller Mental Health Building, 85 E. Newton St., Suite 816. It is staffed Mondays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Wednesdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., by clinicians not affiliated with the Medical Campus. In addition, the facilities on the Charles River Campus, including Student Health Services, the Center for Anxiety & Related Disorders, the Danielsen Institute, and the Psychological Services Center, are available to medical students. Alternatively, individuals within the Student Affairs office may provide confidential referrals.

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## Faculty & Staff Assistance Office

BU Faculty & Staff Assistance office has two locations:

### **Charles River Campus**

270 Bay State Road, B-30

**617-353-5381**

### **Medical Campus**

Dr. S. C. Fuller Mental Health Center

85 E. Newton Street, 10th Floor, M-1007

**617-638-5381**

The BU Faculty & Staff Assistance office offers free, confidential consultation and counseling to Boston University employees who may be experiencing difficulties that affect their personal lives or work. We can help BU faculty and staff and their families on both the Charles River Campus and the Medical Campus with a range of issues, including stress, depression, relationship and family concerns, sexual misconduct, harassment, interpersonal violence, and abuse.

## OTHER RESOURCES

### Dean of Students

George Sherman Union

775 Commonwealth Avenue, Third Floor

**617-353-4126; [dos@bu.edu](mailto:dos@bu.edu)**

[www.bu.edu/dos](http://www.bu.edu/dos)

The Dean of Students office is a service-oriented department operating on behalf of students. If you are a student and have any concern that you think should be addressed, contact this office. The Dean of Students is vested with principal responsibility for implementing and administering the Code of Student Responsibilities ([www.bu.edu/dos/policies/student-responsibilities](http://www.bu.edu/dos/policies/student-responsibilities)) and for overseeing student judicial proceedings. The Dean of Students also sponsors a safety program, "Be Safe @ BU." For additional information, including valuable safety tips, visit the website at [www.bu.edu/dos/resources/be-safe](http://www.bu.edu/dos/resources/be-safe).

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## **Boston University School of Medicine—Student Affairs**

72 East Concord Street, A-208

**617-638-4166**

[www.bumc.bu.edu/busm-osa](http://www.bumc.bu.edu/busm-osa)

The Student Affairs office guides medical students through their education and assists with their academic, personal, and professional development.

## **BU Housing**

25 Buick Street

**617-353-2307** (Residential Safety); [housing@bu.edu](mailto:housing@bu.edu)

[www.bu.edu/housing](http://www.bu.edu/housing)

The Residential Safety staff regulates and supervises access at modern security stations in all large residences. They also check the identification of resident students; maintain the guest registers of visitors, monitor fire alarms, and report serious incidents to the Boston University Police Department and Residence Life staff.

## **BU Medical Campus Housing Resources**

72 East Concord Street

**617-638-5125**

[www.bumc.bu.edu/ohr](http://www.bumc.bu.edu/ohr)

The Housing Resources office helps BUMC students find a place to live in the Boston area, including the Medical Student Residence at 815 Albany Street on the Medical Campus, and provides important information about various neighborhoods and other resources. The Housing Resources publication “Staying Safe” is available online at [www.bumc.bu.edu/ohr/files/2010/07/Staying-Safe.PDF](http://www.bumc.bu.edu/ohr/files/2010/07/Staying-Safe.PDF).

## **Residence Life**

25 Buick Street, First Floor

**617-353-4380**; [resed@bu.edu](mailto:resed@bu.edu)

[www.bu.edu/reslife](http://www.bu.edu/reslife)

The Residence Life office includes a full-time, professional staff, residence hall directors, and upperclass students serving as student Resident Assistants. Residence staff hold regular meetings at which safety issues in the residences are discussed. Students should contact staff in their residence whenever they have a problem in the University housing system. A directory is available at [www.bu.edu/reslife/about/directory](http://www.bu.edu/reslife/about/directory).

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## Disability Services

19 Deerfield Street

**617-353-3658; [access@bu.edu](mailto:access@bu.edu)**

**617-353-7790 (TTY/V)**

[www.bu.edu/disability](http://www.bu.edu/disability)

Students with disabilities who live on campus may contact Disability Services for assistance in arranging for special fire alarm annunciators, door buzzers, evacuation plans, and TTY services. University “blue-light” emergency call boxes are accessible to persons in wheelchairs.

## Equal Opportunity

19 Deerfield Street, Second Floor

**617-353-9286; [krandall@bu.edu](mailto:krandall@bu.edu)**

[www.bu.edu/eoo](http://www.bu.edu/eoo)

The Equal Opportunity Office is designated to receive and investigate complaints of sexual harassment and other types of discrimination. Kim Randall, the University’s Title IX Coordinator, is Executive Director of the Equal Opportunity Office. Every school and college and many administrative offices have designated Deputy Title IX coordinators. Contact information is available at [www.bu.edu/safety/sexual-misconduct/title-ix-bu-policies/](http://www.bu.edu/safety/sexual-misconduct/title-ix-bu-policies/).

## Facilities Management

### Charles River Campus

120 Ashford Street

**617-353-9150**

24-hour emergency **617-353-2105**

[www.bu.edu/facilities](http://www.bu.edu/facilities)

### Medical Campus

65 East Newton Street

**617-638-4211**

24-hour emergency **617-638-4144**

[www.bu.edu/facilities](http://www.bu.edu/facilities)

Facilities Management is responsible for facility and grounds maintenance and improvements, including campus lighting, doors, locks, and alarm systems.



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## Global Programs

888 Commonwealth Avenue

**617-353-6350**

[www.bu.edu/globalprograms](http://www.bu.edu/globalprograms)

Global Programs staff develop and provide information, training, templates, and planning advice to help protect the mental and physical well-being, safety, and security of all members of our community during their travels out of the country and coordinate responses to emergency situations abroad. BU's Study Abroad programs offer a wide range of information and support concerning health and safety at the various Study Abroad program sites as well as online at [www.bu.edu/abroad/apply-go/health-and-safety](http://www.bu.edu/abroad/apply-go/health-and-safety).

## Government & Community Affairs Office

121 Bay State Road

**617-353-2078**

[www.bu.edu/community](http://www.bu.edu/community)

A Government & Community Affairs representative monitors the conduct of Boston University students who live off campus in the Brookline and Allston-Brighton neighborhoods. This representative works with Boston police, obtains information about off-campus student offenses, and meets with and provides assistance to off-campus student residents and their neighbors.

The office is responsible for maintaining working relationships with the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline, as well as the state and federal governments. The staff monitors proposed legislation and regulations that may affect the University community.



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## REPORTING CRIMES OR OTHER EMERGENCIES

Boston University students, staff, and faculty are urged to report all crimes and emergency situations as promptly as possible, whether they occur on or off campus, to the Boston University Police Department. Prompt reporting will help the department address emergency situations and provide appropriate notice to the University community, where appropriate. Telephone stickers with the emergency number are distributed to residences and to faculty and staff offices. This information is also printed on the back of all Terrier ID cards. *The Boston University Police Department responds to all emergencies on campus, including reports of crime, medical emergencies, suspicious activities, fires, or other hazards. If you believe an emergency situation exists, call the Boston University Police emergency number: 617-353-2121. If the emergency involves a fire, call 911 first and then the BUPD number above.*

If you are on the Medical Campus, you may also call the Public Safety Department Command and Control Center at **617-414-4444**. If you are not on either of the Boston University campuses, you should report any suspected crime or other emergency to local law enforcement.

In addition, students may seek assistance from their own Resident Assistant or other members of Residence Life ([resed@bu.edu](mailto:resed@bu.edu); **617-353-4380**), the Dean of Students office ([dos@bu.edu](mailto:dos@bu.edu); **617-353-4126**), or the University Service Center ([usc@bu.edu](mailto:usc@bu.edu); **617-358-1818**).

The BUPD depends on members of the community to report suspicious behavior and emergencies. Please report any suspicious activity so that BUPD officers may investigate.

Boston University encourages all members of the community to report all crimes, including when the victim of the crime elects not to report or is unable to report the crime directly.

Members of the Boston University community and the public at large may provide anonymous tips to the Boston University Police. Anonymous tips may be sent by text to 847411. Type BU <space> and then the message. Standard text messaging rates apply. The message is anonymous and the sender may opt out at any time by texting "stop" to 847411. In addition, anonymous tips may be submitted by calling 617-353-6516 or filling out an online form at <https://www.citizenobserver.com/cov6/app/webTipForm.html?id=3762>.

Boston University's mobile application "BU Mobile" (available for download from iTunes) contains an "Emergency" section that permits you to call BUPD, Student Health Services, the Sexual Assault Response & Prevention Center, or Scarlet Safe Walk with one touch.

Boston University Police Department provides information to the MyPD app (available for download from iTunes and Google play). Users may submit tips to BUPD or find other BUPD-related information from the MyPD app.



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## **SAFETY-RELATED AWARENESS PROGRAMS AND OTHER SERVICES**

Please also refer to Appendix A, which contains information about University programming and initiatives intended to increase the University community's knowledge and to prevent violence and promote safety, including bystander intervention awareness and other prevention programs intended to prevent dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

### **University Orientation**

During the summer and fall, members of the Police Department and the Dean of Students office (Judicial Affairs) deliver safety and security presentations to parents and incoming undergraduate students. These sessions provide information on crime prevention, our various security programs, and what resources are available to all members of the University community. Expectations for student behavior under the Code of Student Responsibilities are clearly defined, with examples provided.

### **New Employee Orientation**

The Boston University Police Department and Human Resources provide crime prevention and safety materials to new employees at the University's orientation program. In addition, a member of BUPD attends new employee orientation and educates new employees on crime prevention, the various security programs, and the resources available to all members of the University community, as well as the University's obligations under the Clery Act.

### **Town Hall Meetings**

Held throughout the academic year, town hall meetings give students an opportunity to meet with the Chief of Police & Executive Director of Public Safety and the Dean of Students to discuss safety and security on campus. Town hall meetings are announced on the Police Department website at [www.bu.edu/police](http://www.bu.edu/police).

### **Public Safety Meet & Greet for Medical Student Residence**

An evening of pizza and public safety presentations welcoming new and returning students to the Medical Student residence facility. The Department of Public Safety, BUPD, Boston Police, and Transit Police attend and engage students in conversation about personal safety, campus safety procedures, reporting crimes, and the importance of looking out for one another in the busy urban environment of the Medical Campus.

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## Safety Week

BUPD sponsors Safety Week each fall semester. Held at the George Sherman Union, Safety Week includes RAD demonstrations, computer and bicycle registration, and provides information and resources about a number of other safety issues, including alcohol.

## Awareness Programs and Classes

The Boston University Police Department offers the Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) program specifically for women who wish to physically protect themselves against rape and other forms of violence. The 16-hour or the 20-hour course is taught by certified BUPD RAD instructors. The goal of the BUPD RAD program is to provide an easily accessible program of education and awareness for the women of Boston University. The program trains women in basic self-defense and offers them viable options when confronted with various threats of violence. Information about this program is available at [www.bu.edu/police/services/RAD](http://www.bu.edu/police/services/RAD). BUPD offers the RAD program at least two times per semester, and more often if there is demand.

Members of the Boston University community can schedule a ride along with a Boston University Police Officer. For more information, contact Captain Robert Molloy via email at [remolloy@bu.edu](mailto:remolloy@bu.edu).

## Group Meetings

Members of the Boston University Police Department meet regularly with student groups, including fraternities and sororities, to discuss safety issues. Contact BUPD at 617-353-2110 to ask a member of BUPD to attend one of your group meetings.

## Informational and Educational Materials

The Boston University Police Department provides helpful tips about safety and crime prevention, including tips for safety in the dorms and suggestions for steps to take if you are the victim of a crime. That information is available online at [www.bu.edu/police/news](http://www.bu.edu/police/news).

The Medical Campus Public Safety Department prepares and disseminates a variety of informational brochures providing general guidance for safety and crime prevention, including bicycle theft, "street sense," and identity theft. Those brochures are available online at [www.bumc.bu.edu/publicsafety/crimepreventionandeducation/crimepreventionbrochures](http://www.bumc.bu.edu/publicsafety/crimepreventionandeducation/crimepreventionbrochures).



## Office Watch Program

[www.bu.edu/police/services/office-watch-program](http://www.bu.edu/police/services/office-watch-program)

Office Watch is a crime prevention program similar in philosophy to that of a neighborhood watch program. The goal of Office Watch is to reduce the opportunities to commit crime by enlisting a cooperative effort between the Boston University community and the Boston University Police Department. This mission will be accomplished by establishing a formal network of communication between University departments, their personnel, and the University Police. For more information on the Office Watch program or about becoming a part of the Office Watch program, contact Sergeant Jeff Burke at **617-353-2110** or [jjburke@bu.edu](mailto:jjburke@bu.edu) between 4 p.m. and 11 p.m. or Detective John J. Ryan, Monday-Friday at **617-353-3436** or [jryan@bu.edu](mailto:jryan@bu.edu) between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

## Emergency “Blue-Light” Telephones

**Charles River Campus:**

[www.bu.edu/police/contacting/blue-light](http://www.bu.edu/police/contacting/blue-light)

**Medical Campus:**

[www.bumc.bu.edu/publicsafety/services/emergencycallboxes/](http://www.bumc.bu.edu/publicsafety/services/emergencycallboxes/)

Emergency telephones have been installed in many Charles River and Medical Campus areas. In the event of an emergency, simply press the red button to connect directly to the Boston University Police dispatcher. For a map of available “blue-light” telephones on the Charles River Campus and the Medical Campus, visit [www.bu.edu/maps](http://www.bu.edu/maps) and click “Emergency Call Boxes.”

## Escort Security Service

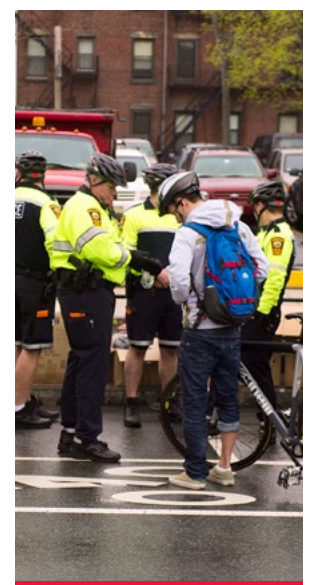
[www.bu.edu/police/crime-prevention/safewalk](http://www.bu.edu/police/crime-prevention/safewalk)

**Charles River Campus: 617-353-4877**

Scarlet Safe Walk provides walking escorts to students and employees seven nights a week, from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Security escorts are equipped with radios and can communicate directly with BUPD officers. Service is extended during study periods and final examinations.

**Medical Campus: 617-414-4444**

The Public Safety Department will provide vehicular or pedestrian escorts to the garages, lots, and surrounding Medical Campus buildings during night and weekend hours upon request. Escorts are subject to availability by calling the Command and Control Center at **617-414-4444**.



## Domestic and Dating Violence and Stalking Prevention

The Boston University Police Department provides a full range of services addressing domestic and dating violence issues, including obtaining restraining orders, safety planning, and criminal prosecution. Please also refer to Appendix A, which contains information about University programming and initiatives intended to increase the University community's knowledge and to prevent violence and promote safety, including bystander intervention awareness and other prevention programs intended to prevent dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

The University complies with applicable law in recognizing lawfully issued restraining orders, including orders for protection, no-contact orders, or other similar lawful orders.

Massachusetts law provides for Abuse Prevention Orders (Massachusetts General Law chapter 209A) and Harassment Prevention Orders (Massachusetts General Law chapter 258E).



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## **Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety**

The University maintains a dedicated website addressing bike safety on campus and outlining laws and regulations for bikers, drivers, and pedestrians on campus and in the city. Parking & Transportation Services, Sustainability, and the BUPD work together to run campus events promoting bike safety throughout the year. Bike Safety also administers an online bicycle registration program to support, promote, and increase awareness about this important transportation option. Registration is open to all members of the Boston University community. We also strongly suggest you secure your bicycle with the best lock you can afford.

## **Laptop Registration Program**

Offered by the BUPD through STOP (Security Tracking of Office Property), this program enters laptops in a national database and tags computers with an aluminum plate that aids not only in deterring theft but in the return of recovered property. An indelible tattoo is also etched into the cover of the laptop that remains even if the plate is removed. Lifetime registration costs \$10 per computer. Details are available at the Boston University Police Department at 32 Harry Agganis Way or at [www.bu.edu/police/services/laptop](http://www.bu.edu/police/services/laptop).

## **Building Security Assessment**

To ensure that the physical environment is as safe as possible, specially trained police officers will conduct thorough security assessments of University facilities. Specific recommendations are made based on exhaustive criteria to increase the overall physical security of Boston University facilities.

To request a building security assessment, contact the BUPD at **617-353-5362** or [police@bu.edu](mailto:police@bu.edu).

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## CRIME PREVENTION AND SAFETY ADVICE

### The Five Most Important Things You Can Do to Avoid Being a Victim of a Crime Are:

1. Lock your room door when you are asleep or out of the room, even for a few minutes.
2. Do not leave personal property unattended anywhere.
3. Always be aware of your surroundings, whether on or off campus.
4. Report suspicious persons to the Boston University Police Department. Do not assume they are okay; trust your instinct.
5. Be clearheaded—no drugs, no alcohol.

### Safety in Residences

- Main doors should have an optical viewer.
- Immediately report any strangers in your building or floor to the Boston University Police Department at **617-353-2121**.
- Never permit strangers into a residence.
- Do not sign in anyone who is not your guest.
- Never lend out your room or residence keys to anyone.
- Always lock your room when away, even if only for a minute.
- Inform the residence staff of any lock defects or lost keys.
- Do not attach anything to your key that shows your room number.
- On voice mail or answering machines, never give your name, just the telephone number the caller has reached.

### Safety on the Street

- Always be alert to your surroundings.
- At night, walk in well-lit, heavily traveled areas.
- Use Scarlet Safe Walk or walk with a friend.
- Always avoid alleyways and deserted parking lots.
- Never expose cash or expensive items.
- Hold pocketbooks and purses under your arm.
- Be cautious of strangers who approach you and ask for the time or for directions.
- Do not stop if a car pulls up beside you. Get away from the car.
- Use common sense; don't jaywalk.
- Use pedestrian walk lights and crosswalks.
- Never hitchhike.
- Learn the location of Boston University Police Department Emergency Blue-Light Telephones at [www.bu.edu/maps](http://www.bu.edu/maps).
- Be careful of scam artists. Never accept cash or checks from, or provide check cashing services to, anybody you don't know.

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## Safety on Public Transportation

- When possible, travel with a companion.
- If you're the only passenger in a subway car or bus, sit as close to the operator as possible.
- In a deserted subway station, stand near the attendant's booth.
- At night, be particularly careful of oncoming traffic while getting off a bus or trolley.
- Utilize the Transit Police in an emergency, at **617-222-1212**.

## Safety in Off-Campus Housing

- All exterior doors should have good-quality locks.
- The hallways should be well lit.
- An intercom system should work properly.
- Mailboxes should show no signs of tampering.
- Only your last name should appear on your mailbox.
- All windows accessible from the ground level should be protected by bars or grilles.
- Make sure the bars or grating can be opened from the inside in the event of a fire, and that you are given a key if one is required.
- Check your smoke detectors regularly and change the batteries every six months.
- All fire escapes should be enclosed or raised from the ground to prevent unauthorized access.
- Trees or bushes near the building should not be overgrown, and bushes should be kept below window height.

## Theft Prevention

Be particularly careful of your personal property when in public places such as dining rooms or libraries.

- Never leave your laptop, pocketbook, or backpack unattended, even for a minute.
- If you must leave your property behind, ask a trusted friend to watch it.
- Never allow yourself to be lured away from your property by a stranger.

## Fire Safety

- In the event of a fire, call **911** first and then call the BUPD at **617-353-2121**.
- Educate yourself on fire safety by visiting the BU Fire Safety website, [www.bu.edu/firesafety](http://www.bu.edu/firesafety).
- The majority of student fatalities from fire occur in off-campus housing, such as apartments and rented houses.



- Know your escape routes and be familiar with alternative exits in case of fire.
- The use of candles in residences has risen greatly in the past decade and so have candle fires. Fires caused by candles have tripled in Massachusetts over the last 10 years!
- Burning candles in on-campus housing is strictly forbidden.
- Do not leave cooking items unattended.
- Whether you live on or off campus, if for any reason your safety, security, or health is placed at risk due to weather, environmental, or housing conditions, don't hesitate to call the Boston University Police Department; or if it is not an emergency, call the Dean of Students office.

### **Preparing the Annual Disclosure of Crime Statistics**

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

Campus crime, arrest, and referral statistics include those reported to BUPD, designated campus officials, and local law enforcement entities. Crimes are reported that occur on campus, on locations that are contiguous to the campus, and buildings or properties that are either owned or controlled by a campus affiliated entity, including officially recognized student organizations.

The University encourages every member of the community to report a crime promptly to BUPD or campus security authorities.



# TIMELY WARNINGS, EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION, AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

## Emergency Notification

Boston University has established the BU Alert notification system for the purpose of communicating with the campus community upon the confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees occurring on the campus.

For more information about BU Alert, visit [www.bu.edu/emd/emergency-management/bu-alert-faqs](http://www.bu.edu/emd/emergency-management/bu-alert-faqs).

Boston University **strongly recommends** that all students, faculty, and staff sign up for BU Alert notifications.

Students are required to enroll in BU Alert as a prerequisite for enrollment. They may update their BU Alert contact information by visiting the Student Link ([www.bu.edu/studentlink](http://www.bu.edu/studentlink)) and clicking the "Personal" tab to update "Address and Phone." Questions concerning enrollment in the BU Alert program may be addressed to the Admissions Office (**617-353-2300**).

Faculty and staff are automatically enrolled in BU Alert and may elect to unenroll from the program. They may update their BU Alert contact information by visiting the BUworks Central Portal ([www.bu.edu/buworkscentral](http://www.bu.edu/buworkscentral)) and clicking on the "Employee Self-Service" tab, and then selecting "Personal Information" to update "BU Alert Information."

BUPD supervisory personnel, in consultation with University administrators, as appropriate, determine whether there is a significant emergency that requires notification through the BU Alert system.

The Vice President for Administrative Services is the Incident Commander for all confirmed emergency situations and will determine the content of the message and identify the segment(s) of the community to be notified. If the situation warrants immediate action and the Vice President for Administrative Services is not available, the Chief of the Boston University Police or her designee will assume this role. In all cases, Boston University Police Operations is responsible for initiating the BU Alert system and sending the message. As appropriate, emergency notifications may be targeted at only a segment or segments of the campus community that is at risk.

For incidents that affect only Boston University Medical Campus (BUMC), the Executive Director of Support Services or designee will determine whether there is a significant emergency that requires notification to BUMC, the content of the message and the segment(s) of the BUMC community to be notified.



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In the interest of safety for the members of our community, the University will initiate the BU Alert system without delay unless the notification will, in the professional judgment of responsible authorities, compromise efforts to assist victims or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

The Public Relations office shall be responsible for dissemination of information to the larger community, including via the University's website ([www.bu.edu](http://www.bu.edu)) and *BU Today* ([www.bu.edu/today](http://www.bu.edu/today)).

## Timely Warning

A timely warning will be issued when a Clery crime that has occurred within the University's Clery geography is reported to BUPD and is considered to represent—in the judgment of the Chief of Police and Executive Director of Public Safety or her designee—an ongoing or continuing threat to the campus community. The decision of whether to issue a timely warning will be decided on a case-by-case basis in light of all of the facts surrounding a crime, including: the nature of the crime and the continuing danger to the campus community.

The warning will be issued through the BU Alert system. Notice may be sent via text message, voice mail, or email. Notice may also be posted on the BU homepage, BU webpages, and scrolled on the University's cable television system.

Emergency notifications and timely warnings will withhold as confidential the names and other identifying information of victims.

## Emergency Response and Evacuation Procedures

Boston University has established emergency response and evacuation procedures to ensure that it is prepared for emergency situations. For more information, visit Emergency Response Planning at [www.bu.edu/ehs/procedures](http://www.bu.edu/ehs/procedures). That website provides the detailed emergency response plans for a number of emergencies, including severe weather, emergency closings, and instructions for evacuations and sheltering in place. It also outlines the responsibilities of the Emergency Response Team in the event of an emergency. Boston University has been designated as a Storm Ready Community from the National Weather Service ([www.weather.gov/stormready](http://www.weather.gov/stormready)).

Boston University participates in tabletop and other training drills annually, including drills to respond to active shooter situations. Additional information about how to respond in an active shooter situation is available at [www.bu.edu/police/emergency-info/active-shooter](http://www.bu.edu/police/emergency-info/active-shooter).

The Boston University Police Department and Boston University Medical Campus Public Safety Department are the first responders for all emergencies, including police and medical emergencies. In the event of a fire, call 911 first, and then call BUPD or the BUMC Public Safety Department. BUPD responds to all calls for service and addresses any hazardous situation it encounters during patrol operations or that is reported.



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The Emergency Management Division (EMD), in partnership with Campus and Clinical Safety Division of Environmental Health & Safety, is responsible for the maintenance, review, and revision of the University's emergency response and evacuation plans and coordinates regular tests of the emergency response and evacuation procedures on at least an annual basis. These tests may be announced or unannounced, and each will be documented with a description of the exercise, the date, time, and whether the test was announced or unannounced. EMD publicizes the University's emergency response and evacuation procedures in conjunction with at least one test per calendar year. Following every declared emergency or following a campuswide drill, the Director of EMD evaluates the drill as a means of assessing and evaluating emergency plans and capabilities.

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# DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION CONCERNING CRIMES AND SAFETY

## University Websites

The University's safety website is available at [www.bu.edu/safety](http://www.bu.edu/safety). In addition, the Dean of Students maintains the BeSafe@BU website at [www.bu.edu/dos/resources/be-safe](http://www.bu.edu/dos/resources/be-safe).

## Open Police and Fire Log Laws

Massachusetts law requires all police agencies in the state to maintain open police logs, and federal law requires open logs be maintained by colleges and universities. The public has a right of access to summary information regarding reported incidents. The identification of victims of sexual assault, or attempted sexual assault, is prohibited by law.

The Boston University police and fire logs are available at the police station at 32 Harry Agganis Way. The Medical Campus Public Safety police and fire logs are available at 710 Albany Street.

## Campus News Services

The Boston University Police Department regularly provides up-to-date crime incident information to all University news services, including *BU Today* ([www.bu.edu/today](http://www.bu.edu/today)).

## Boston University Police Website

[www.bu.edu/police](http://www.bu.edu/police)

The department's website provides current campus crime statistics, crime information bulletins, and information about the University's police services. In addition, the department sends email announcements to the University community concerning emergencies and reports of criminal activity that may be of interest to the community. Members of the University community and their families are encouraged to follow the department on Twitter and Facebook for updates.



[www.facebook.com/BostonUPolice](http://www.facebook.com/BostonUPolice)



[@BUPolice](https://twitter.com/BUPolice)



[@BUPOLICE](https://www.instagram.com/BUPOLICE)

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## Campus Sex Offender Reporting

[www.bu.edu/police/sensitive/sex-offender](http://www.bu.edu/police/sensitive/sex-offender)

Federal law requires states to ask every sex offender registered under “Megan’s Law” if they are or will be enrolled at or employed by a college or university. State governments will then provide that information to the school’s police department or a local police department with jurisdiction for the campus.

Students and employees may obtain any information provided by any state under this law at the Boston University Police Department, 32 Harry Agganis Way, during business hours, or at [www.bu.edu/police](http://www.bu.edu/police).

In addition, the Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act of 2000 requires institutions of higher education to issue a statement advising the campus community where law enforcement information provided by a state may be obtained.

The Executive Office of Public Safety for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts provides a searchable database of Massachusetts-area level-3 sex offenders, available at [www.mass.gov/eopss/agencies/sorb/](http://www.mass.gov/eopss/agencies/sorb/).

## Medical Campus Public Safety Department Website

[www.bumc.bu.edu/publicsafety](http://www.bumc.bu.edu/publicsafety)

The department’s website provides information about services offered, crime prevention and awareness, and an updated list of public safety advisories for the Medical Campus.

## Boston University Emergency Management Website

[www.bu.edu/ehs/management-plans/emergency](http://www.bu.edu/ehs/management-plans/emergency)

Boston University provides information about existing emergencies on its Emergency Management website.

## Environmental Health & Safety

[www.bu.edu/ehs](http://www.bu.edu/ehs)

Environmental Health & Safety’s (EHS) mission is to provide a safe environment for students, faculty, staff, and others visiting our facilities. EHS maintains the University’s Fire Log, which is available for inspection at 704 Commonwealth Avenue, Second Floor, and also compiles the annual Fire Safety Report.

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## ACCESS TO UNIVERSITY FACILITIES

Boston University is private property. The University reserves the right to grant or restrict access to any or all of its grounds, facilities, and programs. During business hours, the University's non-residential facilities on both the Charles River Campus and the Medical Center Campus will be open to students, parents, employees, contractors, guests, and invitees. During non-business hours, access to non-residential facilities shall be limited to authorized personnel only.

## ACCESS TO RESIDENCES

The safety of students living in University residences is a preeminent concern of Boston University. The University has a guest and visitor policy for all residences. Specific information concerning the University's Guest Policy and use of Security Assistants is available at [www.bu.edu/dos/policies/lifebook/residential](http://www.bu.edu/dos/policies/lifebook/residential), at residence staff offices, or at Residence Life. All large residences have 24-hour security during the semester when students are in residence. To ensure that only authorized residents and their guests enter University residences, BU Housing provides uniformed security coverage 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at the main entrances of the large residences. Students must keep their Terrier Cards with them at all times. All students who enter the large residences must show their Terrier Cards to the security assistant each time they enter.

Small residences have 24-hour lock and key protection. Students enter the small dormitory-style residences and the apartment-style residences with swipe access by using their Terrier Cards. In some buildings where swipe access is not available, students are provided with a front door key. These doors should never be propped open. Additional information about access to University residences is available at [www.bu.edu/housing/services/access](http://www.bu.edu/housing/services/access) and information about residence keys is available at [www.bu.edu/housing/services/keys](http://www.bu.edu/housing/services/keys).

When someone visits a resident of a large residence, they must call the resident. The resident must then meet their guest at the security desk, where the resident must present his/her Terrier Card and sign in the guest. All guests must leave a photo identification card at the security desk. No more than three guests per student are permitted at any time. Guests must be signed in and must be escorted by their hosts at all times. Boston University's guest policy is detailed in Nonacademic and Residential Policies in the Boston University Lifebook.



## FIRE SAFETY

**If you see smoke or fire, immediately activate the nearest fire alarm system. Call 911 once you have safely evacuated, and then call BUPD at 617-353-2121 or Medical Campus Public Safety at 617-638-4444.**

Fire safety is the responsibility of all those within the Boston University community. Environmental Health & Safety develops fire safety programs and works closely with Residence Life to train Resident Assistants and students about fire safety. Boston University is required to annually disclose statistical data on all fires that occur in on-campus student housing facilities.

A fire log is maintained at the Boston University Police Department that includes the nature, date, time, and general location of each fire.

Even in the event that a fire appears to be extinguished, please call **911** first and then notify Boston University Police at **617-353-2110** and Environmental Health & Safety at **617-353-4094**.

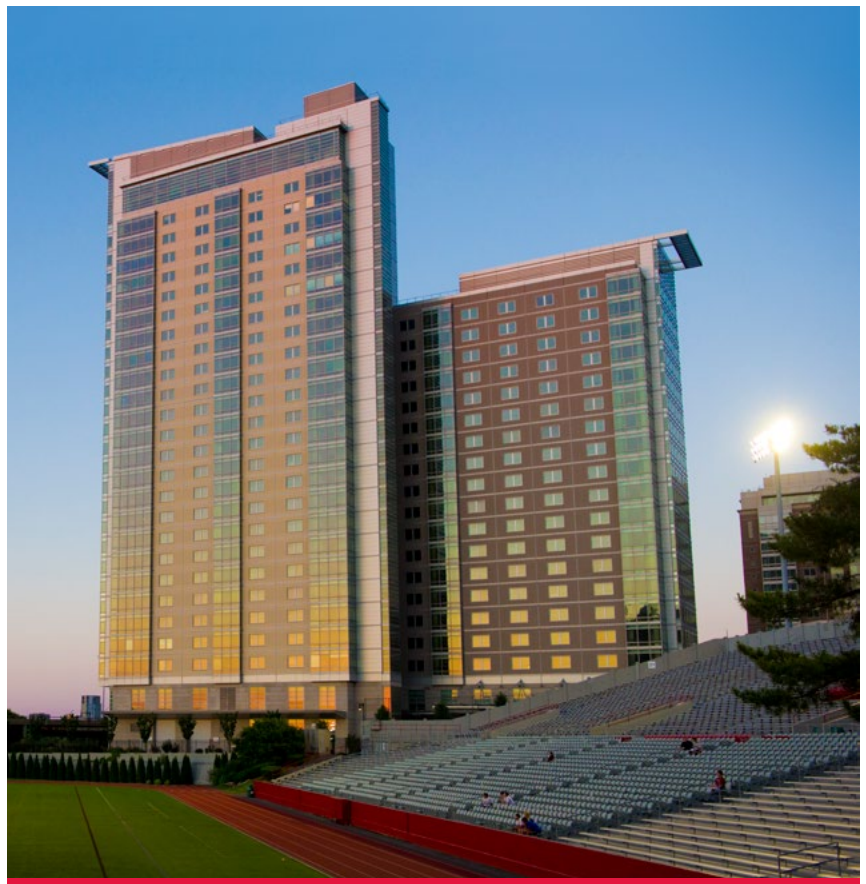
When calling, please provide as much information as possible about the location, date, time, and cause of the fire.

Additional information on fires and fire safety programs is available at [www.bu.edu/ehs/faqs/fire-safety](http://www.bu.edu/ehs/faqs/fire-safety).

### Policy

Fire safety is taken very seriously at Boston University, and all residents are expected to cooperate in keeping the residences as safe as possible. For this reason, the following activities are forbidden, and those engaging in them may be subject to disciplinary action:

- Setting fires of any kind for any reason
- Tampering with any fire safety equipment, including fire extinguishers, fire alarm boxes, smoke detectors, and sprinkler heads (such as hanging objects from sprinkler heads)
- Malicious activation of a fire alarm
- Propping open fire doors for any purpose other than emergency evacuation



- Use of roofs and fire escapes for any purpose other than for escape from a fire or threat of a fire
- Accidental activation of a smoke detector or fire alarm resulting from hall sports, water fights, or similar behavior
- Lighting open flames, and the possession of candles or incense in the residences
- Using space heaters or other types of portable heaters
- Careless use of approved items/appliances that creates a fire hazard



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The following appliances are allowed in dormitory-style residences:

- Radios, tape recorders, stereos, television sets, personal computers
- Reading lamps, hair dryers, electric toothbrushes
- Refrigerators (up to a maximum of four cubic feet), rental MicroFridge units
- Hot-air popcorn poppers
- Fans (no larger than 12 inches in diameter)

The following appliances are **prohibited** in dormitory-style residences:

- Microwave ovens, coffee pots, hot plates, blenders, hot pots
- Appliances for the preparation of food other than University rental program MicroFridge units and hot-air popcorn poppers
- Torchère-style halogen lamps, electric blankets, air conditioners, and sunlamps are not permitted in any dormitory-style residence. Because of safety and health concerns, use of electrical appliances other than those listed above is prohibited. Additionally, the use of items/appliances that have a source of heat or flame is also prohibited.

## Student Residences

Boston University commits to providing housing to all students for all four years of undergraduate education and provides campus housing to more than 11,000 students.

Facilities Management & Planning is responsible for the maintenance and testing of fire safety systems including detection devices, suppression systems, and fire extinguishers. Environmental Health & Safety is responsible for auditing those maintenance programs and ensuring compliance with regulations or policy. BU contracts with third-party vendors to conduct required testing of alarm, suppression, and extinguishing systems; Facilities Management & Planning inspects fire extinguishers, egress pathways, emergency lighting, and exit signage on a monthly basis.

Boston University upgrades life safety systems during scheduled construction and renovation projects and allocates additional funding each fiscal year for the installation or upgrade of existing life safety systems as determined necessary. Boston University maintains its buildings at or above current regulatory requirements.

## Fire Safety Training

Prior to the start of each academic school year, Environmental Health & Safety trains each of the nearly 350 Residence Life staff members on general fire safety, procedures, policies, and how to properly evacuate a building. Within the first week of the full student move-in, Residence Life staff members meet with their respective residences by floor or building to discuss the fire safety policies, rules, and evacuation procedures.

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In addition to this annual mandatory training, each residential building is affixed with building-specific evacuation plans and evacuation floor maps. Each floor of a given residential building is provided with a building-/floor-specific map and plan. The plan highlights the University's evacuation plan, building-specific meeting points, and emergency contact information.

The University's evacuation plan is known as R.A.C.E., which stands for:

**RESCUE/REMOVE**—PERSON(S) FROM IMMEDIATE FIRE SCENE OR ROOM

**ALERT/ACTIVATE** —911 TO EXPLAIN LOCATION OF FIRE AND PULL THE NEAREST FIRE ALARM

**CONFINE**—THE FIRE AND SMOKE BY CLOSING ALL DOORS

**EXTINGUISH**—A SMALL FIRE BY USING PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER OR USE TO ESCAPE FROM LARGE FIRES. **EVACUATE** THE BUILDING IMMEDIATELY AND REPORT TO SUPERVISOR, RESIDENT ASSISTANT, OR OTHER APPROPRIATE PERSON ACCORDING TO THE SPECIFIC FIRE PLAN. THOSE REQUIRING ASSISTANCE, POSITION AT NEAREST STAIRWELL AND REPORT LOCATION TO INCIDENT COMMAND PERSONNEL, PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER, OR FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL.

Fire safety training at BU includes instruction on fire alarm pull station locations, evacuation meeting points, shelter in place, sprinkler and smoke detector activations, and fire extinguisher basics, including their location.

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## **FIRE SAFETY REPORT**

### **Emergency Response**

Boston University has 24-hour dispatch centers for Facilities Management and for Police/Public Safety at each of its campuses. These dispatch centers utilize a number of communication protocols to activate emergency plans, notify appropriate responders, and then escalate or de-escalate that response as appropriate.

**In the event of a fire, call 911 first.**

**Facilities Management emergency response:**

- **Charles River Campus—617-353-2105; Medical Campus—617-638-4144**

**Police/Public Safety emergency response:**

- **Charles River Campus—617-353-2121; Medical Campus—617-414-4444**

Fires at Boston University are handled by appropriately trained responders only. Residents are trained to activate the fire alarm and evacuate. The first responders from Environment Health & Safety, Facilities, and/or BUPD are responsible for managing a safe response, a controlled environment, interaction with the responding fire department, and recovery and reoccupation when the incident is resolved.

# FIRE STATISTICS

The following reflects fire statistics for calendar years 2014, 2015, and 2016. For more information, please visit [www.bu.edu/firesafety](http://www.bu.edu/firesafety) or [www.bu.edu/ehs/programs/safety-and-health/fire-safety](http://www.bu.edu/ehs/programs/safety-and-health/fire-safety).

## BOSTON UNIVERSITY ON-CAMPUS RESIDENTIAL FIRE REPORT—CHARLES RIVER CAMPUS

Address	Address (if different)	Fires Reported			Date Occurred			Cause			Number of Injuries that Required Treatment at a Medical Facility			Number of Fire-Related Deaths			Value of Property Damage		
		2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
Claffin Hall	273 Babcock St	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Sleeper Hall	275 Babcock St	1	1	1	10/24/14	10/15/15	12/13/16	cooking	trash barrel	smoking	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Rich Hall	277 Babcock St	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
11 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Myles Standish Hall	610 Beacon St	1	0	0	07/26/14			construction fire			0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	\$-	\$-
56 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
58 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
59 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
60 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
61 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
62 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
65 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
68 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
69 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
70 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
71 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
73 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
74 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
75 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
76 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
77 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
78 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
79 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
80 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-

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81 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
82 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
83 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
84 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
86 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
88 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
90 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Kilachand Hall	91 Bay State Rd	0	0	1			06/02/16			trash can fire	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	N/A
92 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
94 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
96 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
110 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
112 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
113 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
115 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Kilachand Honors House	117 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
124 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
131 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
133 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
135 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
139 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Towers	140 Bay State Rd	1	0	0	08/04/14			electrical			0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	\$-	\$-
French House	153 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Parietal House	157 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Common Ground	158-160 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
159 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Management House	161 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
162-164 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
WISE-UP House	163 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
General Studies House	166-168 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
167 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
169 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-

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171 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Chinese House	172 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
173 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
175 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
177 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Classics House	176-178 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Education House	179 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
180 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
181 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
182 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
183 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
184 - 186 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Spanish House	188-190 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Richards House	191 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
192 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Italian House	193 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
194 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
195 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Theology House	196 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
197 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
198 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
199 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Trustee Scholars House	200 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
201 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Boyd Hall	202 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
203 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Thissen House	204 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Sargent College House	205 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Japanese House	206 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Music House	207 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
208 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-



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German House	209 Bay State Rd	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
210-212 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
214 Bay State Rd		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Myles Standish Annex	632 Beacon St	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
806-820 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
822 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
824 Beacon St		0	0	1			12/01/16		cooking		0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	N/A
826 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
828 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
830 Beacon St		0	0	1			02/14/16		cooking		0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	N/A
832 Beacon St		0	0	1			02/23/16		undetermined		0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	N/A
834 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
836 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
844 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
848 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
850 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
852 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
856 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
858 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
860 Beacon St		1	1	1	12/22/14	02/10/15	01/27/16	dryer fire	dryer fire	dryer fire	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
862 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
864 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
866 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
870 Beacon St		1	0	0	04/21/14			cooking			0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	\$-	\$-
872 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
906 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
908 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Holiday Inn Brookline	1200 Beacon St	N/A	N/A	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
1053 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Student Village I	10 Buick St	0	0	1			02/23/16		undetermined		0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	N/A
Engineering House	1 Buswell St	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-

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1-A Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
2 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
3 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
5 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
6 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Wellness House	7 Buswell St	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
14 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	-	\$-	\$-
11 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
15 Buswell St		0	1	0		07/26/15			cooking		0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	N/A	\$-
17 Buswell St		0	0	1			06/25/16			cooking	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	N/A-
22 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
24 Buswell St		1	1	0	09/01/14	12/24/15			scooter battery		0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	\$-
Earth House	29 Buswell St	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Community Service House	31 Buswell St	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
33 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
34 Buswell St		0	0	1			05/17/16			cooking	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	N/A-
35 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
37 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
38 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
39 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
40 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
41 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
42 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
43 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
44 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
45 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
47 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
48 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
55 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Fisk House	146 Commonwealth Ave	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
575 Commonwealth Ave		1	0	0	01/22/14				trash barrel fire		0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	\$-	\$-
Graduate Apts	580 Commonwealth Ave	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-

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625 Commonwealth Ave		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
627 Commonwealth Ave		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
629 Commonwealth Ave		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Warren Towers	700 Commonwealth Ave	2	1	1	09/27/14	08/03/15	03/02/16	fan fire	cooking	electrical equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
					09/30/14			trash barrel fire			0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	\$-	\$-
708 Commonwealth Ave		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
710 Commonwealth Ave		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
714 Commonwealth Ave		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
722 Commonwealth Ave		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
726 Commonwealth Ave		0	1	0		10/16/15			cooking		0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	N/A	\$-
728 Commonwealth Ave		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
1019 Commonwealth Ave		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
1047 Commonwealth Ave		N/A	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
53 Deerfield St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
55 Deerfield St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
57 Deerfield St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Student Village II	33 Harry Agganis Way	1	0	0	01/22/14			cooking			0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	\$-	\$-
46 Mountfort St		0	1	1		02/17/15	11/22/16		cooking	cooking	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	N/A	N/A
96 Mountfort St		0	1	1		08/28/15	12/03/16		cooking	cooking	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	N/A	N/A
98 Mountfort St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	\$-	\$-
100 Mountfort St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
504 Park Dr		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
509 Park Dr		2	0	0	03/16/14			cooking			0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	\$-	\$-
					10/25/14			cooking			0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	\$-	\$-
515 Park Dr		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Raleigh House	2 Raleigh St	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
90 St Mary's St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
37 St. Mary's Street		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	\$-	\$-
39 St. Mary's Street		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
41 St. Mary's Street		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-

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43 St. Mary's Street		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
45 St. Mary's Street		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
47 St. Mary's Street		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
50 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
52 Buswell St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
500 Park Dr		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
514 Park Dr		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
516 Park Dr		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
518 Park Dr		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
520 Park Dr		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
522 Park Dr		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
85 St Mary's St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
87 St Mary's St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
80 Ivy Street		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
82 Ivy Street		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
16 Arundel St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
455 Park Dr		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
457 Park Dr		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
7 Euston St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
19 Euston St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
481-483 Commonwealth Ave		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Core Curriculum House	141 Carlton St	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
Brook House	37-39 Carlton St	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
875 Beacon St		1	0	0	11/02/14			unknown cause			0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	\$-	\$-
867 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
855 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
853 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
845 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
531 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
517-521 Beacon St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-

Address		Fires Reported			Date Occurred			Cause			Number of Injuries that Required Treatment at a Medical Facility			Number of Fire-Related Deaths			Value of Property Damage		
		2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
Danielsen Hall	512 Beacon St	0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
25 Aberdeen St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
27 Aberdeen St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
25 Lenox St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-
74 St Mary's St		0	0	0							0	0	0	0	0	0	\$-	\$-	\$-

## BOSTON UNIVERSITY ON-CAMPUS RESIDENTIAL FIRE REPORT—BU MEDICAL CAMPUS

Address		Fires Reported			Date Occurred			Cause			Number of Injuries that Required Treatment at a Medical Facility			Number of Fire-Related Deaths			Value of Property Damage		
		2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
Medical Student Residence	815 Albany St	1	1	0	12/23/14	12/03/15		cooking	cooking		0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	\$-

## BOSTON UNIVERSITY ON-CAMPUS STUDENT HOUSING FIRE SAFETY SYSTEMS—CHARLES RIVER CAMPUS

Facility Name	Address (if different)	Sprinklered	Fire Alarm	Fire/Evacuation Drills Annually
		NS = Not sprinklered PS = Partial sprinklered AS = Automatic sprinklered	AD = Auto dial to fire dept & BUPD FA = Fire alarm monitored by BUPD LA = Local alarm NA = No alarm	
Claffin Hall	273 Babcock St	AS	AD	1
Sleeper Hall	275 Babcock St	AS	AD	1
Rich Hall	277 Babcock St	AS	AD	1
11 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	
Myles Standish Hall	30 Bay State Rd	AS	AD	1
56 Bay State Rd		AS	AD	
58 Bay State Rd		NS	NA	
59 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	
60 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	
61 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	
62 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	
65 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	
68 Bay State Rd		AS	AD	
69 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	
70 Bay State Rd		AS	AD	
71 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	
73 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	
74 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	
75 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	
76 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	
77 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	
78 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	
79 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
80 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	
81 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
82 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	
83 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
84 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	
86 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	
88 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	
90 Bay State Rd		AS	FA	1
Kilachand Hall	91 Bay State Rd	AS	AD	1
92 Bay State Rd		AS	AD	1
94 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
96 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	
110 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	1

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		NS = Not sprinklered PS = Partial sprinklered AS = Automatic sprinklered	AD = Auto dial to fire dept & BUPD FA = Fire alarm monitored by BUPD LA = Local alarm NA = No alarm	
112 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	1
113 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	
115 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
Kilachand Honors House	117 Bay State Rd	AS	AD	1
124 Bay State Rd		NS	NA	
131 Bay State Rd		PS	FA	
133 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
135 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
139 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
Towers	140 Bay State Rd	AS	AD	1
French House	153 Bay State Rd	PS	AD	1
Parietal House	157 Bay State Rd	PS	AD	1
Common Ground	158 - 160 Bay State Rd	PS	AD	1
159 Bay State Rd		AS	AD	1
Management House	161 Bay State Rd	AS	AD	1
162 - 164 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
WISE-UP House	163 Bay State Rd	AS	AD	1
General Studies House	166 - 168 Bay State Rd	AS	AD	1
167 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
169 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
171 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
Chinese House	172 Bay State Rd	AS	AD	1
173 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
175 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
Classics House	176 - 178 Bay State Rd	PS	AD	1
177 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
Education House	179 Bay State Rd	PS	FA	1
180 Bay State Rd		AS	AD	1
181 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
182 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
183 Bay State Rd		NS	FA	
184 - 186 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
Spanish House	188-190 Bay State Rd	PS	AD	1
Richards House	191 Bay State Rd	NS	AD	1
192 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	1
Italian House	193 Bay State Rd	AS	AD	1
194 Bay State Rd		NS	FA	1
195 Bay State Rd		PS	FA	1
Theology House	196 Bay State Rd	PS	AD	1
197 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1

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198 Bay State Rd		NS	AD	
199 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
Trustees Scholar House	200 Bay State Rd	PS	AD	1
Boyd Hall	202 Bay State Rd	PS	AD	1
201 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
203 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
Thissen House	204 Bay State Rd	AS	AD	1
Sargent College House	205 Bay State Rd	NS	AD	1
Japanese House	206 Bay State Rd	AS	AD	1
Music House	207 Bay State Rd	AS	AD	1
208 Bay State Rd		AS	AD	1
German House	209 Bay State Rd	PS	AD	1
210-212 Bay State Rd		AS	AD	1
214 Bay State Rd		PS	AD	1
Myles Standish Annex	632 Beacon St	AS	AD	1
806-820 Beacon St		PS	AD	1
822 Beacon St		AS	NA	
824 Beacon St		AS	AD	1
826 Beacon St		AS	AD	1
828 Beacon St		AS	AD	1
830 Beacon St		AS	AD	1
832 Beacon St		NS	AD	1
834 Beacon St		AS	AD	1
836 Beacon St		AS	AD	1
844 Beacon St		PS	AD	1
848 Beacon St		NS	AD	1
850 Beacon St		NS	AD	
852 Beacon St		PS	AD	
856 Beacon St		AS	AD	1
858 Beacon St		AS	AD	1
860 Beacon St		AS	AD	1
862 Beacon St		AS	AD	1
864 Beacon St		PS	AD	1
866 Beacon St		NS	AD	1
870 Beacon St		PS	AD	1
872 Beacon St		PS	AD	1
906 Beacon St		PS	AD	
908 Beacon St		PS	AD	
1053 Beacon St		PS	AD	1
Student Village	10 Buick St	AS	AD	1

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		NS = Not sprinklered PS = Partial sprinklered AS = Automatic sprinklered	AD = Auto dial to fire dept & BUPD FA = Fire alarm monitored by BUPD LA = Local alarm NA = No alarm	
Engineering House	1 Buswell St	PS	AD	1
1-A Buswell St		PS	AD	1
2 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
3 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
5 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
6 Buswell St		AS	AD	1
Earth House	7 Buswell St	PS	AD	1
14 Buswell St		PS	AD	
11 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
15 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
17 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
22 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
24 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
29 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
Community Service House	31 Buswell St	PS	AD	1
33 Buswell St		AS	AD	1
34 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
35 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
37 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
38 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
39 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
40 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
41 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
42 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
43 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
44 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
45 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
47 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
48 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
55 Buswell St		PS	AD	1
575 Commonwealth Ave	575 Commonwealth Ave	AS	AD	1
Graduate Apts	580 Commonwealth Ave	AS	AD	
625 Commonwealth Ave		NS	AD	1
627 Commonwealth Ave		NS	AD	1
629 Commonwealth Ave		NS	AD	1
Warren Towers	700 Commonwealth Ave	AS	AD	1
708 Commonwealth Ave		NS	FA	1
710 Commonwealth Ave		NS	NA	1
714 Commonwealth Ave		NS	NA	1
722 Commonwealth Ave		AS	AD	1

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		NS = Not sprinklered PS = Partial sprinklered AS = Automatic sprinklered	AD = Auto dial to fire dept & BUPD FA = Fire alarm monitored by BUPD LA = Local alarm NA = No alarm	
726 Commonwealth Ave		AS	AD	1
728 Commonwealth Ave		AS	AD	1
1019 Commonwealth Ave		AS	AD	1
1047 Commonwealth Ave		AS	AD	1
53 Deerfield St		PS	AD	
55 Deerfield St		PS	AD	
57 Deerfield St		PS	AD	
Student Village II	33 Harry Agganis Way	AS	AD	1
46 Mountfort St		PS	AD	1
96 Mountfort St		PS	FA	1
98 Mountfort St		PS	AD	1
100 Mountfort St		PS	AD	1
509 Park Dr		NS	AD	1
515 Park Dr		NS	AD	1
Raleigh House	2 Raleigh St	PS	AD	1
90 St Mary's St		NS	AD	
455 Park Drive		PS	AD	
457 Park Drive		PS	AD	
19 Euston St		PS	FA	
7 Euston St		PS	AD	
481 - 483 Commonwealth Ave		PS	AD	1
Core Curriculum House	141 Carlton St	AS	AD	1
37-39 Carlton St		PS	AD	1
875 Beacon St		NS	AD	
867 Beacon St		NS	AD	
855 Beacon St		PS	AD	
853 Beacon St		AS	AD	
845 Beacon St		PS	AD	
531 Beacon St		PS	AD	1
517 - 521 Beacon St		PS	AD	1
Danielsen Hall	512 Beacon St	AS	AD	1
Holiday Inn Brookline	512 Beacon St	AS	FA	
37 St Mary's St		NS	AD	
39 St Mary's St		NS	AD	
41 St Mary's St		NS	AD	
43 St Mary's St		NS	AD	
45 St Mary's St		NS	AD	
47 St Mary's St		NS	AD	

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		NS = Not sprinklered PS = Partial sprinklered AS = Automatic sprinklered	AD = Auto dial to fire dept & BUPD FA = Fire alarm monitored by BUPD LA = Local alarm NA = No alarm	
514 Park Dr		AS	AD	1
516 Park Dr		AS	AD	1
518 Park Dr		AS	AD	1
520 Park Dr		AS	AD	1
522 Park Dr		AS	AD	1
500 Park Dr		NS	AD	1
504 Park Dr		NS	AD	1
856 Beacon St		AS	AD	1
50 Buswell St		AS	AD	1
52 Buswell St		AS	AD	1
85 St Mary's St		AS	AD	
87 St Mary's St		AS	AD	
80 Ivy Street		AS	AD	
82 Ivy Street		AS	AD	
16 Arundel St		PS	AD	
25 Aberdeen St		PS	AD	
27 Aberdeen St		PS	AD	
25 Lenox St		NS	AD	
74 St Mary's St		PS	AD	1
146 Commonwealth Ave		AS	AD	

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## BOSTON UNIVERSITY ON-CAMPUS STUDENT HOUSING FIRE SAFETY SYSTEMS—MEDICAL CAMPUS

Facility Name	Address (if different)	Interior Fire Alarm/ Central Station Monitored	Sprinklered Full / Partial	Fire/Evacuation Drills Annually
		AD = Auto Dial to Fire Dept FA = Fire Alarm Central Monitored	AS = Automatic Sprinkled PS = Partial Sprinkled NS = Not Sprinkled	
Medical Student Residence	815 Albany St	FA	AS	1

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## ALCOHOL AND DRUG POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES

### Policy on Illegal Drugs and Alcohol

Boston University's campuses and activities are not sanctuaries from federal, state, and local laws. Boston University prohibits the unlawful use, possession, sale, distribution, or manufacture of controlled substances or alcohol on University property or as part of University activities. Boston University's alcoholic beverage policy is consistent with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

However, the University's standards of personal conduct substantially exceed the minimum expectations of civil law and custom. Students found in violation of the University alcohol policy or engaging in misconduct related to the abuse of alcohol, whether on or off campus, will be subject to disciplinary action under the Code of Student Responsibilities as well as to prosecution. Boston University enforces the Massachusetts underage drinking law and state and federal drug laws. The legal drinking age in Massachusetts is twenty-one.

Boston University neither permits nor condones the possession, use, or sale of illegal drugs and narcotics. Violators are subject to University disciplinary procedures, as well as to criminal prosecution under state and federal laws. Dealing in narcotics or illegal drugs anywhere on campus will result in expulsion from the residence system and further disciplinary action by the University. Conviction for drug-related offenses in any jurisdiction may affect a student's eligibility for federal, state, or University financial aid.

The University falls within federal and state Drug-Free School Zone laws.

Violations of drug and liquor laws are reported under the federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, and under Massachusetts law.

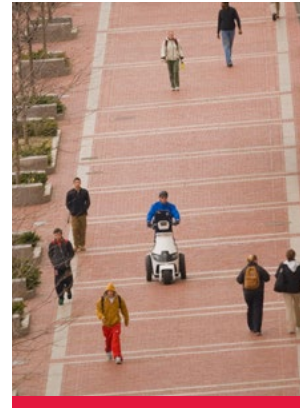
### Standards of Conduct

The unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illegal drugs or alcohol by any student or employee on University property or in conjunction with any University activity is prohibited.

### Disciplinary Sanctions

The University will impose disciplinary sanctions on students and employees who violate University standards of conduct. In addition, students or employees who violate public law are subject to criminal prosecution. Conviction may result in fines, imprisonment, and revocation or loss of eligibility to receive federal funding (such as grants and financial assistance) and other privileges.

University-imposed discipline may include sanctions up to and including expulsion of a student or termination of employment, in addition to referral for criminal prosecution. Disciplinary sanc-



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tions may include required participation in a treatment, counseling, or other approved rehabilitation program.

## **Alcohol in University Residences**

1. Students who are 21 years of age or older and possess a Massachusetts driver's license are currently extended the privilege to possess and consume alcoholic beverages in University residences. Such privileges may be revoked.
2. Students who are under 21 years of age may not possess or consume alcoholic beverages in the residences.
3. Quantities of alcoholic beverages permitted to be brought into or stored in any residence facility by any resident 21 years of age or older are limited to seventy-two ounces of beer (for example, a six-pack), and one liter of other alcoholic beverage; any substantial quantity of alcoholic beverages (such as beer balls or kegs; cases of beer, wine, or other alcohol) may not be delivered to or brought into residences or other University facilities. Students who bring substantial quantities of alcoholic beverages into the residences will be subject to disciplinary action; this may include, but is not limited to, expulsion from the residences.
4. No alcoholic beverages may be served or sold at Boston University functions that are attended primarily by undergraduate students. Applications for exceptions will be considered by the Dean of Students for certain events (for example, a senior class function).
5. Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed in any public areas of the University.
6. Guests of residents, regardless of age, may not bring alcoholic beverages into University residences.
7. The possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages should not be part of an activity that is in violation of a University policy, as stated in the Code of Student Responsibilities and the Residence License Agreement, and such beverages are not to be consumed in any restricted area, such as hallways, lobbies, and common areas.
8. The University reserves the right to conduct inspections in appropriate circumstances in order to enforce its policies and confiscate any beverages on University property in violation of this policy.

Proper identification must be presented to University personnel upon request.

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## UNIVERSITY SANCTIONS

As further clarification of our approach to dealing with illegal use or possession of alcohol, it is useful to understand the typical sanctions in cases where students do not seek medical assistance. The disciplinary sanctions typically imposed for underage alcohol possession and use violations, together with the education and counseling programs that are usually required, are as follows:

### Violations in University Residence Halls

Following are the sanctions and education and counseling programs typically imposed for underage alcohol possession and use violations that take place in University residence halls. More serious sanctions may be imposed in appropriate circumstances, including when the quantity of alcohol is excessive (e.g., exceeds one case of beer or one liter of liquor) and when an individual provides alcohol to persons who are under 21 years of age. If other unacceptable behavior—such as fighting, sexual assault, or property damage—occurs in conjunction with the alcohol violation, additional sanctions may be imposed for that behavior. Second violations are uncommon and third violations are rare. Sanctions for a third violation will include, among other things, separation from University housing.

#### First Incident:

- Disciplinary Sanction: Probation and \$100 fine
- Education/Counseling: an online self-assessment and education on alcohol use

#### Second Incident:

- Disciplinary Sanction: Deferred separation from University housing
- Education/Counseling: Alcohol education class

The University permits students who are over 21 to possess and consume alcohol within the residence halls. However, when an excessive quantity of alcohol is present, members of the residence hall staff will contact the Boston University Police Department (BUPD). BUPD determines whether to take action against an individual, including whether to refer the matter to local authorities. (Under Massachusetts law, a minor in possession of alcohol may be arrested and fined and his or her driver's license may be suspended. An individual who buys alcohol for a minor may be fined up to \$2,000 and sentenced to up to six months in jail.)

### Violations Not in University Residence Halls

Following are the sanctions and education and counseling programs typically imposed for underage alcohol possession and use violations that do not take place in University residence halls. If other unacceptable behavior—such as fighting, sexual assault, or property damage—occurs in conjunction with the alcohol violation, additional sanctions may be imposed for that

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behavior. Second violations are uncommon and third violations are rare. Sanctions for a third violation will include, among other things, suspension from the University.

**First Incident:**

- Disciplinary Sanction: Probation and \$100 fine
- Education/Counseling: an online self-assessment and education on alcohol use

**Second Incident:**

- Disciplinary Sanction: Deferred suspension
- Education/Counseling: Alcohol education class

**Financial Assistance**

By federal law, students convicted of drug offenses committed while receiving Title IV federal financial aid may be ineligible for federal financial aid for one or more years from the date of conviction. For additional information, visit the Financial Assistance website at [www.bu.edu/finaid/eligibility/convictions](http://www.bu.edu/finaid/eligibility/convictions).

**Resources**

Boston University requires every incoming first-year student to take AlcoholEdu for College, an online, non-judgmental, evidence-based alcohol abuse prevention course.

The following resources are available at Boston University to address alcohol- and drug-related issues: Wellness & Prevention Services (a department of Student Health Services) offers drug and alcohol groups and interactive education classes; substance abuse assessments, including BASICS (Brief Alcohol Screening and Intervention for College Students); consultation services; and online intervention programs, including 'AlcoholEdu for College' and 'e-Checkup to Go' for both alcohol and marijuana. For more information about these programs, visit the SHS website ([www.bu.edu/shs/wellness/aod](http://www.bu.edu/shs/wellness/aod)), call **617-353-4085**, or stop by 930 Commonwealth Avenue. The SHS website also provides information about additional resources at [www.bu.edu/shs/wellness/aod/alcohol](http://www.bu.edu/shs/wellness/aod/alcohol).

Faculty and staff may contact the Faculty & Staff Assistance office ([www.bu.edu/fsao](http://www.bu.edu/fsao); **617-353-5381**) for referrals.

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## **BU STATEMENT ON DRUG- AND ALCOHOL-RELATED MEDICAL EMERGENCIES AND JUDICIAL SANCTIONS**

The illegal use or abuse of alcohol or drugs can be hazardous to students' health and safety as well as an impediment to academic and personal success. The University is, above all else, concerned for the safety and well-being of all members of our community; therefore, the University addresses all reported violations of the University's alcohol and drug policies, including notifying the parents of undergraduate students of alcohol- and drug-related incidents, if necessary.

At Boston University, student health and safety are paramount. The University recognizes that alcohol or drug consumption may create medical or safety emergencies in which the potential for University disciplinary action may deter students from seeking assistance for themselves or others. In these situations, we strongly encourage students to act with their own and others' health and safety as the primary concern.

When the University learns of a student's illegal possession or use of alcohol or drugs as a result of that student's seeking medical assistance for him or herself, or another person, that student ordinarily will not be subject to University disciplinary sanctions for possession or use of that substance so long as the student completes all education and counseling programs recommended by the University. We are committed to the use of education and treatment approaches because, in our experience, education and/or treatment for individuals who receive emergency medical attention may reduce the likelihood of future occurrences.

When there is a question of sexual abuse or assault in a situation involving alcohol or drugs, the student who was sexually abused or assaulted is not subject to discipline under the University's alcohol and drug policies.



### Federal Trafficking Penalties for Schedules I, II, III, IV, and V (except Marijuana)

Schedule	Substance/Quantity	Penalty	Substance/Quantity	Penalty
II	Cocaine 500-4999 grams mixture	<b>First Offense:</b> Not less than 5 yrs. and not more than 40 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs. or more than life. Fine of not more than \$5 million if an individual, \$25 million if not an individual.  <b>Second Offense:</b> Not less than 10 yrs. and not more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine of not more than \$8 million if an individual, \$50 million if not an individual.	Cocaine 5 kilograms or more mixture	<b>First Offense:</b> Not less than 10 yrs. and not more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs. or more than life. Fine of not more than \$10 million if an individual, \$50 million if not an individual.  <b>Second Offense:</b> Not less than 20 yrs, and not more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine of not more than \$20 million if an individual, \$75 million if not an individual.  <b>2 or More Prior Offenses:</b> Life imprisonment. Fine of not more than \$20 million if an individual, \$75 million if not an individual.
II	Cocaine Base 28-279 grams mixture		Cocaine Base 280 grams or more mixture	
IV	Fentanyl 40-399 grams mixture		Fentanyl 400 grams or more mixture	
I	Fentanyl Analogue 10-99 grams mixture		Fentanyl Analogue 100 grams or more mixture	
I	Heroin 100-999 grams mixture		Heroin 1 kilogram or more mixture	
I	LSD 1-9 grams mixture		LSD 10 grams or more mixture	
II	Methamphetamine 5-49 grams pure or 50-499 grams mixture		Methamphetamine 50 grams or more pure or 500 grams or more mixture	
II	PCP 10-99 grams pure or 100-999 grams mixture		PCP 100 grams or more pure or 1 kilogram or more mixture	

Substance/Quantity	Penalty
Any Amount Of Other Schedule I & II Substances	<b>First Offense:</b> Not more than 20 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs. or more than Life. Fine \$1 million if an individual, \$5 million if not an individual.
Any Drug Product Containing Gamma Hydroxybutyric Acid	<b>Second Offense:</b> Not more than 30 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine \$2 million if an individual, \$10 million if not an individual.
Flunitrazepam (Schedule IV) 1 Gram	
Any Amount Of Other Schedule III Drugs	<b>First Offense:</b> Not more than 10 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not more that 15 yrs. Fine not more than \$500,000 if an individual, \$2.5 million if not an individual.  <b>Second Offense:</b> Not more than 20 yrs. If death or serious injury, not more than 30 yrs. Fine not more than \$1 million if an individual, \$5 million if not an individual.
Any Amount Of All Other Schedule IV Drugs (other than one gram or more of Flunitrazepam)	<b>First Offense:</b> Not more than 5 yrs. Fine not more than \$250,000 if an individual, \$1 million if not an individual.  <b>Second Offense:</b> Not more than 10 yrs. Fine not more than \$500,000 if an individual, \$2 million if other than an individual.
Any Amount Of All Schedule V Drugs	<b>First Offense:</b> Not more than 1 yr. Fine not more than \$100,000 if an individual, \$250,000 if not an individual.  <b>Second Offense:</b> Not more than 4 yrs. Fine not more than \$200,000 if an individual, \$500,000 if not an individual.

Federal Trafficking Penalties for Marijuana, Hashish and Hashish Oil, Schedule I Substances	
Marijuana 1,000 kilograms or more marijuana mixture or 1,000 or more marijuana plants	<b>First Offense:</b> Not less than 10 yrs. or more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs., or more than life. Fine not more than \$10 million if an individual, \$50 million if other than an individual.  <b>Second Offense:</b> Not less than 20 yrs. or more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine not more than \$20 million if an individual, \$75 million if other than an individual.
Marijuana 100 to 999 kilograms marijuana mixture or 100 to 999 marijuana plants	<b>First Offense:</b> Not less than 5 yrs. or more than 40 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs. or more than life. Fine not more than \$5 million if an individual, \$25 million if other than an individual.  <b>Second Offense:</b> Not less than 10 yrs. or more than life. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine not more than \$8 million if an individual, \$50million if other than an individual.
Marijuana 50 to 99 kilograms marijuana mixture, 50 to 99 marijuana plants	<b>First Offense:</b> Not more than 20 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, not less than 20 yrs. or more than life. Fine \$1 million if an individual, \$5 million if other than an individual.  <b>Second Offense:</b> Not more than 30 yrs. If death or serious bodily injury, life imprisonment. Fine \$2 million if an individual, \$10 million if other than an individual.
Hashish More than 10 kilograms	
Hashish Oil More than 1 kilogram	
Marijuana less than 50 kilograms marijuana (but does not include 50 or more marijuana plants regardless of weight)  1 to 49 marijuana plants	<b>First Offense:</b> Not more than 5 yrs. Fine not more than \$250,000, \$1 million if other than an individual.  <b>Second Offense:</b> Not more than 10 yrs. Fine \$500,000 if an individual, \$2 million if other than individual.
Hashish 10 kilograms or less	
Hashish Oil 1 kilogram or less	

## STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS AND SANCTIONS CONCERNING DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

In addition to disciplinary sanctions imposed by the University, all students, faculty, and staff should be aware that federal, state, and some local laws treat illegal use, possession, sale, distribution, or manufacture of drugs or alcohol as serious crimes. Conviction can lead to imprisonment, fines, and assigned community service. Courts do not lift prison sentences in order to allow convicted persons to attend college or continue their jobs. Felony and certain other convictions can prevent you from entering many fields of employment or professions and may have to be listed on applications for employment or admission to graduate or professional schools.

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Many cities and towns in Massachusetts, including Boston, have local ordinances and regulations which prohibit public consumption of alcoholic beverages or consumption of alcoholic beverages on private property without the owner's consent. The Department of Conservation and Recreation also prohibits public consumption of alcohol in its parks. Similar laws and regulations apply in most other states and in many localities.

Massachusetts laws punish sale or delivery of alcoholic beverages to persons under 21 with a fine of up to \$2,000 and six months imprisonment, or both. Misrepresenting one's age or falsifying an identification to obtain alcoholic beverages is punishable by a fine of \$300. First conviction of driving under the influence of alcohol has a penalty of a \$500-\$5,000 fine, one-year revocation of driver's license, up to two-and-a-half years in prison, and mandatory alcohol rehabilitation.

Massachusetts has criminal penalties for use of controlled substances, or drugs, with penalties varying with the type of drug. In general, use of narcotic and addictive drugs, and drugs with high potential for abuse, have heavier penalties.

Possession of drugs is illegal without valid authorization. While penalties for possession are generally not as great as for manufacture and distribution of drugs, possession of a relatively large quantity may be considered distribution. Under both state and federal laws, penalties for possession, manufacture, and distribution are much greater for second and subsequent convictions. Many laws dictate mandatory prison terms and the full minimum term must be served.

Massachusetts makes it illegal to be in a place where heroin is kept and to be "in the company" of a person known to possess heroin. Anyone in the presence of heroin at a private party or in a dormitory suite risks a serious drug conviction. Sale and possession of "drug paraphernalia" is illegal in Massachusetts. Under federal laws and some state laws, participation in drug-related criminal activity can result in seizure or forfeiture of personal property and other assets utilized in conjunction with or stemming from the proceeds of the illegal activity. In addition, conviction of a drug-related offense may entail civil fines and denial or revocation of certain licenses and benefits.

Persons convicted of drug possession under state or federal law are ineligible for federal student grants and loans or for participation in federally sponsored research grants or contracts for up to one year after the first conviction, and up to five years after the second; the penalty for distributing drugs is loss of benefits for five years after the first conviction, 10 years after the second, and permanently after the third.\*

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\* In accordance with the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, as a condition of employment, any employee who is engaged in the performance of work under a federal grant or contract must notify the University if he or she is convicted of violating any criminal drug statute for activities done in the workplace not later than 10 days after conviction; students who receive Pell and certain other federal grants are subject to similar conditions and must report any conviction of a drug-related offense to the U.S. Department of Education within 10 days of the conviction if the offense occurred during the period covered by the grant.

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Under federal law, distribution of drugs to a person under age 21 is punishable by twice the normal penalty, i.e., a mandatory one-year prison term; a third conviction is punishable by mandatory life imprisonment. These penalties apply to distribution of drugs in or within 1,000 feet of a college or school. Federal law sets greatly heightened prison sentences for manufacture and distribution of drugs if death or serious injury results from use of the substance.

## **Federal Drug Laws**

The possession, use, or distribution of illegal drugs is prohibited by federal law. There are strict penalties for drug convictions, including mandatory prison terms for many offenses. The following information, although not complete, is an overview of federal penalties for first convictions. All penalties are doubled for any subsequent drug conviction.

### **A. Denial of Federal Benefits**

#### **21 U.S.C. 862**

A federal drug conviction may result in the loss of federal benefits, including school loans, grants, scholarships, contracts, and licenses. Federal drug trafficking convictions may result in denial of federal benefits for up to five years for a first conviction. Federal drug convictions for possession may result in denial of federal benefits for up to one year for a first conviction and up to five years for subsequent convictions.



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## **Federal Drug Possession Penalties**

### **B. Forfeiture of Personal Property and Real Estate**

#### **21 U.S.C. 853**

Any person convicted of a federal drug offense punishable by more than one year in prison shall forfeit to the United States any personal or real property related to the violation, including houses, cars, and other personal belongings. A warrant of seizure is issued and property is seized at the time an individual is arrested on charges that may result in forfeiture.

### **C. Federal Drug Trafficking Penalties**

#### **21 U.S.C. 841**

Penalties for federal drug trafficking convictions vary according to the quantity of the controlled substance involved in the transaction. The list below is a sample of the range and severity of federal penalties imposed for first convictions. Penalties for subsequent convictions are twice as severe.

If death or serious bodily injury results from the use of a controlled substance which has been illegally distributed, the person convicted on federal charges of distributing the substance faces a mandatory life sentence and fines ranging up to \$8 million.

Persons convicted on federal charges of drug trafficking within 1,000 feet of a university (21 U.S.C. 845a) face penalties of prison terms and fines which are twice as high as the regular penalties for the offense, with a mandatory prison sentence of at least one year.

### **D. Federal Drug Possession Penalties**

Persons convicted on federal charges of possessing any controlled substance face penalties of up to one year in prison and a mandatory fine of no less than \$1,000 up to a maximum of \$100,000. Second convictions are punishable by not less than 15 days but not more than two years in prison and a minimum fine of \$2,500. Subsequent convictions are punishable by not less than 90 days but not more than three years in prison and a minimum fine of \$5,000.

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## Illegal Drugs and Alcohol

### Marijuana Laws in Massachusetts

Effective December 15, 2016, Massachusetts passed "The Regulation and Taxation of Marijuana Act." Contrary to popular belief, marijuana has not been legalized for all purposes in Massachusetts.

**It is illegal for any person to possess any amount of marijuana on Boston University property.** In addition, it remains illegal for anyone to possess, use, or consume marijuana on the grounds of a public or private K-12 school. There is no exception for medical marijuana.

**Off-campus possession - 21 years or older.** Massachusetts legalized possession of certain amounts of marijuana for a person 21 years of age or older. Any person 21 years of age or older in possession of more than one ounce of marijuana faces civil fines and/or criminal penalties, which may include arrest. Exception: In your "primary residence," you may legally possess up to 10 ounces of marijuana. Landlords have the right to restrict the smoking of marijuana in properties they own.

No person under the age of 21 may possess marijuana in public or in private in Massachusetts. The penalties range from civil fines and/or criminal penalties, which may include arrest. Persons 18 years and younger face civil fines and mandatory drug education classes. There is an exception for valid medical marijuana registration cardholders.

**Selling Marijuana.** It remains illegal for any person to sell marijuana without a valid license from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health or the Cannabis Control Commission. Selling any amount of marijuana or possessing marijuana with the intent to distribute it are criminal offenses that may result in fines and jail time.

**Giving Away Marijuana - "Gifting."** A person 21 years or older may "gift" another person 21 years or older up to one ounce or less of marijuana. Gifting more than one ounce is a criminal offense. Gifting persons under 21 years is also a criminal offense.

**Cultivation of Marijuana Plants.** Massachusetts law allows for a person 21 years or older to cultivate up to 6 marijuana plants in their "primary residence," with a maximum of 12 plants in a home where more than one person 21 years or older resides. Landlords have the right to forbid cultivation of marijuana in properties they own.

**Manufacture of Marijuana Concentrate is Illegal.** The manufacture of marijuana concentrate is illegal and can result in the forfeiture of property or in criminal penalties if manufactured for sale or intended sale.

**Local city or town laws may prohibit possession or consumption of marijuana.** Cities and towns may regulate or prohibit the possession or consumption in a public building and may prohibit the smoking of marijuana in public places or where smoking tobacco is prohibited.

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## Description of Health Risks

Serious health and personal risks are associated with the use of illegal drugs and abuse of alcohol. They may include temporary or permanent physical or mental impairment, injury, or death. Use and abuse of such substances may also give rise to conduct which causes injury, death, or damage to the user/abuser or to the person or property of others, resulting in criminal or civil prosecution and liability. Use and abuse of such substances may also lead to unsafe and/or nonconsensual sex, unwanted pregnancy, and may cause defects, injury, or death in unborn children. Consequences also include temporary or permanent loss of educational or employment opportunities.

### Drugs and the Body

#### Narcotics (Heroin):

- Initial euphoria followed by drowsiness and nausea
- Constricted pupils, watery eyes, dazed look
- Overdose may produce slow, shallow breathing, clammy skin, loss of appetite and weight, and possible death

#### Depressants (Barbiturates, Tranquilizers):

- Relaxed muscles, calmness, drowsiness
- Confusion, disorientation, slurred speech
- Overdose may produce shallow breathing, clammy skin, weak and rapid pulse, coma, and possible death

#### Stimulants (Cocaine, Methamphetamine):

- Increased heart and respiratory rate, elevated blood pressure, decreased appetite
- Blurred vision, dizziness, insomnia, anxiety
- High doses can cause physical collapse, irregular heartbeat, stroke, and possible death

#### Hallucinogens (LSD, PCP, Mushrooms):

- Illusions and hallucinations
- Confusion, panic, anxiety, depression, and poor perception of time and distance
- Respiratory failure, death due to careless behavior

#### Cannabis (Marijuana, Hashish):

- Increased heart rate, bloodshot eyes, dry mouth and throat, and increased appetite
- Interferes with memory, speech, coordination, and perception of time
- Increases risk of lung cancer, weakened immune system, and affects reproductive system

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### **Alcohol and the Body**

- Impairment of brain function, judgment, alertness, coordination, and reflexes
- Attitude and/or behavioral changes, such as uncharacteristic hostility, or increased risk taking, such as driving recklessly
- Alcohol taken with other drugs can intensify the effects of the drug, alter the desired effect of the drug, cause nausea, sweating, severe headaches, and convulsions
- Addiction or chemical dependency
- Memory blackouts
- Uncharacteristic family, school, work, or legal problems
- Health problems such as cirrhosis of the liver
- If used during pregnancy, birth defects and mental retardation in users' unborn children may occur

## **FIREARMS AND OTHER WEAPONS**

The possession of weapons of any kind, including replicas, is strictly prohibited on campus. This includes, but is not limited to: firearms, all chemical sprays, knives, and martial arts weapons (for example, nunchaku). The University will impose disciplinary sanctions on students and employees who violate University regulations and standards of conduct regarding weapons. Violations of weapons laws are reported under federal and state law.

Carrying an illegal weapon is a felony punishable by up to five years in state prison. Students or employees who violate public law are subject to criminal prosecution and University sanctions. A conviction for unlawfully carrying a firearm without a license in Massachusetts mandates a one-year jail sentence.

Even if one has a valid firearm license, carrying a firearm on a college or university campus in Massachusetts is a crime (with the exception of full-time police officers).



# SEXUAL MISCONDUCT/TITLE IX POLICY

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## Confidential Resources

### On Campus

Faculty and staff members acting in their capacities as physicians, therapists, or clergy members are exempt from the obligation to report sexual misconduct reports to the Title IX Coordinator:

- **BU Sexual Assault Response & Prevention Center**  
617-353-7277 | [sarp@bu.edu](mailto:sarp@bu.edu)  
930 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, MA 02215
- **Boston University Chaplains**  
617-358-3560
- **Behavioral Medicine**  
617-353-3569
- **Office of the Ombuds**  
Charles River Campus: 617-358-5960  
Medical Campus: 617-638-7645

### Off Campus

- **Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network**  
1-800-656-467
- **Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (BARCC)**  
800-841-8371

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## **I. INTRODUCTION.**

### **A. Statement of University Values.**

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As described in more detail below, in this Policy “sexual misconduct” is intended to refer to a broad range of conduct focused on sex and/or gender that may or may not be sexual in nature. Sexual harassment, sexual assault, sexual exploitation, stalking, and relationship violence are all forms of sexual misconduct prohibited by law and this Policy.

This Policy sets forth the University’s definition of and approach to addressing sexual misconduct. Section II defines prohibited conduct and includes scenarios illustrating sexual misconduct. Section III provides additional definitions of important concepts such as consent, incapacitation, and force. Section IV identifies on and off-campus resources for all members of the BU community, including information about where to access resources in a confidential manner, Sections V and VI describe how a member of the University community can report sexual misconduct and describes available interim measures. Section VII explains the role of the Title IX Coordinator and Deputy Title IX Coordinators. Sections VIII and IX outline the University’s prevention, education, and training efforts. Finally, Section X provides the contact information for campus and community resources and Section XI describes the reporting obligations of various University offices.

### **B. Scope of the Policy and Procedures.**

This Policy is intended to provide the Boston University community with a clearly articulated set of behavioral standards, and definitions of prohibited conduct and key concepts. The Policy applies to all community members, including students, faculty, staff, affiliates, visitors, applicants for admission or employment, and independent contractors. Vendors and others who conduct business with the University or on BU property are also expected to comply with this Policy. The Policy applies regardless of a person’s gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, race, nationality, class status, religion, or other protected status.

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This Policy applies both to on-campus and off-campus conduct if (i) the conduct was in connection with a University or University-recognized program or activity, or (ii) the conduct may have the effect of creating a hostile environment for a member of the BU community. Section XI includes a list of on-campus resources available to those affected by sexual misconduct and the extent to which such resources have reporting obligations or may maintain the confidentiality of a report of sexual misconduct. The accompanying Procedures for the Resolution of Sexual Misconduct Complaints against Students (Student Procedures), describe the investigation and disciplinary process that applies when a current undergraduate, graduate, or professional student at Boston University (including a student on leave) is accused of sexual misconduct. If a Boston University faculty or staff member, or other person doing business with BU is accused of sexual misconduct, the investigation and disciplinary processes described in Boston University's Procedures for the Resolution of Sexual Misconduct Complaints against Faculty, Staff, Affiliates, and Non-Affiliates (Faculty and Staff Procedures) apply.



Boston University recognizes that sexual assault, harassment, discrimination and other forms of sexual misconduct can have a profound impact on a person's personal, academic, and work life. The University encourages anyone coping with such a situation to seek help and support. Students who are uncertain of their options or simply need help should call the **Sexual Assault Response & Prevention Center (SARP) at 617-353-7277**. Faculty and staff may contact the **Faculty & Staff Assistance Office (FSAO) at 617-353-5381** for assistance.

**Nothing in this Policy or any of the University's procedures for the resolution of sexual misconduct complaints shall be construed to abridge academic freedom, principles of free speech, or Boston University's educational mission.**

### **C. Notice of Non-Discrimination.**

Boston University is committed to establishing and maintaining an environment free of all forms of discrimination and harassment for all members of the University community. The University prohibits discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, military service, or because of marital, parental, veteran status, or any other protected class.

The University does not discriminate on the basis of sex in its educational, extracurricular, athletic, or other programs, or in the context of employment. Sexual misconduct, including sexual harassment as defined in this Policy, is a form of sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, a federal law that provides that:

*No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.*

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Sex discrimination is also prohibited under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 151B, and other applicable statutes.

#### **D. Coordination with Boston University's Non-Discrimination Policy.**

Boston University recognizes that discrimination and harassment related to a person's sex can occur in connection with misconduct related to a person's sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression, race, color, ethnicity, national origin, religion, age, disability, or other protected class. Targeting a person on the basis of these characteristics is also a violation of state and federal law and University policy. Under these circumstances, the University will endeavor to coordinate the investigation and resolution efforts of sexual misconduct complaints with the investigation and resolution of complaints of discrimination or harassment.

## **II. PROHIBITED CONDUCT: DEFINITIONS & EXAMPLES.**

"Sexual misconduct" is a broad, non-legal term that encompasses a wide range of behaviors, including but not limited to, sexual harassment, sex/gender discrimination, sexual assault, rape, acquaintance rape, stalking, and relationship violence (including dating and domestic violence). It is a violation of University policy as well as applicable law to commit or to attempt to commit these acts.

Sexual misconduct can occur between strangers or acquaintances, or people who know each other well, including between people who are or have been involved in an intimate or sexual relationship. It can be committed by anyone, regardless of gender or gender identity, and can occur between people of the same or different sex or gender. This Policy prohibits all forms of sexual misconduct.

#### **A. Sexual Assault (including Rape).**

Sexual assault is actual or attempted sexual contact with another person without that person's consent. Sexual assault includes, but is not limited to:

- Intentional touching of another person's intimate parts without that person's consent; or
- Other intentional sexual contact with another person without that person's consent; or
- Coercing, forcing, or attempting to coerce or force a person to touch another person's intimate parts without that person's consent; or
- Rape, which is penetration, no matter how slight, of (1) the vagina or anus of a person by any body part of another person or by an object, or (2) the mouth of a person by a sex organ of another person, without that person's consent.

See Section III for the definitions of consent, incapacitation, and force.

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## **B. Sexual Harassment.**

### 1. Definition of Sexual Harassment

Sexual Harassment is unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that has the effect of creating a hostile or stressful living, learning, or working environment, or whenever toleration of such conduct or rejection of it is the basis for an academic or employment decision affecting an individual. Conduct is considered “unwelcome” if the person did not request or invite it and considered the conduct to be undesirable or offensive.

Sexual harassment includes any conduct or incident that is sufficiently serious that it is likely to limit or deny a student’s ability to participate in or benefit from the University’s educational programs or a faculty or staff member’s ability to work, which may include a single incident of sexual assault or other serious sexual misconduct.

### 2. Forms of Prohibited Sexual Harassment.

Sexual harassment can take many forms, and can:

- Occur between equals, such as student to student, faculty member to faculty member, staff to staff, or visitor/contracted employee to staff.
- Occur between persons of unequal power status, such as supervisor to subordinate, faculty member to student, coach to student-athlete, student leader to first-year student. Although sexual harassment often occurs in the context of an exploitation of power by the person with the greater power, a person who appears to have less power in a relationship can also commit sexual harassment (such as a student harassing a faculty member).
- Be committed by an acquaintance, a stranger, or someone with whom the complainant has or had a personal, intimate, or sexual relationship.
- Occur by or against a person of any sex, gender identity or expression, or sexual orientation.

The following non-exhaustive list includes examples of behavior that could be considered sexual harassment:

- Unwelcome sexual innuendo, propositions, sexual attention, or suggestive comments and gestures.
- Unwelcome physical contact of a sexual nature, such as touching, hugging, kissing, patting, or pinching, that is uninvited and unwanted or unwelcome by the other person.
- Humor and jokes about sex or gender-specific traits; sexual slurs or derogatory language directed at another person’s sexuality or gender.

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- Insults and threats based on sex or gender; and other oral, written, or electronic communications of a sexual nature that a person communicates and that are unwelcome.
  - Written graffiti or the display or distribution of sexually explicit drawings, pictures, or written materials; sexually charged name-calling; sexual rumors or ratings of sexual activity/performance; the circulation, display, or creation of emails or Web sites of a sexual nature. (For more information on misconduct using the University's computing facilities, please see the Conditions of Use and Policy on Computing Ethics.)
  - Non-academic display or circulation of written materials or pictures degrading to a person(s) or gender group.
  - Unwelcome attention, such as repeated inappropriate flirting, inappropriate or repetitive compliments about clothing or physical attributes, staring, or making sexually oriented gestures.
  - Change of academic or employment responsibilities (increase in difficulty or decrease of responsibility) based on sex, gender identity or expression, or sexual orientation.
  - Use of a position of power or authority to: (i) threaten or punish, either directly or by implication, for refusing to tolerate harassment, for refusing to submit to sexual activity, or for reporting harassment; or (ii) promise rewards in return for sexual favors.
  - Acts of verbal, nonverbal, or physical aggression, intimidation, or hostility based on sex or sex-stereotyping.

### **C. Sexual Exploitation.**

Sexual exploitation occurs when a person takes sexual advantage of another person for the benefit of anyone other than that person without that person's consent.

Examples of behavior that could rise to the level of sexual exploitation include:

- Prostituting another person;
- Recording images (e.g., video, photograph) or audio of another person's sexual activity, intimate body parts, or nakedness without that person's consent;
- Distributing images (e.g., video, photograph) or audio of another person's sexual activity, intimate body parts, or nakedness, if the individual distributing the images or audio knows or should have known that the person depicted in the images or audio did not consent to such disclosure and objects to such disclosure; and,

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- Viewing another person's sexual activity, intimate body parts, or nakedness in a place where that person would have a reasonable expectation of privacy, without that person's consent, and for the purpose of arousing or gratifying sexual desire.

#### **D. Stalking.**

##### 1. Definition of Stalking.

Stalking is a course of conduct involving more than one instance of inappropriate and unwanted attention, harassment, threatening or intimidating physical or verbal contact, or any other course of conduct directed at a person that could be reasonably regarded as likely to alarm or place that person in fear of harm or injury, including physical, emotional, or psychological harm. This includes the use of technology to pursue, harass, threaten, intimidate, or otherwise make unwelcome contact with another person. Stalking may involve people who are known to one another or have an intimate or sexual relationship, or may involve people not known to one another.

Stalking is prohibited by Massachusetts law. Stalking can also constitute a violation of this Policy when the conduct involves a Boston University student or employee and is gender-based.

##### 2. Examples of Stalking.

The following persistent, unwanted, and repeated harassing conduct may constitute stalking:

- Every time Natalie went to class, Ben, another student, would sit next to her. Ben kept trying to talk to Natalie even though she told him she was not interested in him. Ben then started showing up everywhere that Natalie went — in the lobby of her residence hall, in the George Sherman Union, and at her work-study job. Ben was persistent and threatened to “make” Natalie go out with him. If Ben continues to pursue this conduct, his action may constitute stalking in violation of this Policy.
- David dated Ellen, a graduate student, a couple of times but eventually stopped seeing her. Then Ellen began sending David several emails a day, messaging him on Instagram, and sending text messages to his cell phone. David changed his email address and cell phone number, but somehow Ellen discovered his new address and cell phone number and began sending even more emails and texts. David really wants Ellen to stop contacting him, but he is not sure what to do. Ellen's conduct toward David may constitute stalking in violation of this Policy.

#### **E. Relationship (Dating and Domestic) Violence.**

##### 1. Definition of Relationship Violence.

Relationship violence is abuse, violence, or intentionally controlling behavior between partners or former partners involving one or more of the following elements: (i) battering that causes bodily injury; (ii) purposely or knowingly causing reasonable apprehension of bodily injury;

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(iii) emotional abuse creating apprehension of bodily injury or property damage; (iv) repeated telephonic, electronic, or other forms of communication — anonymously or directly — made with the intent to intimidate, terrify, harass, or threaten. Relationship violence can occur in all type of relationships (e.g., heterosexual, same sex, or any other type of relationship). Relationship violence may constitute a violation of this Policy when it involves a Boston University student, faculty or staff member, and the conduct is gender-based.

## 2. Examples of Relationship Violence.

Examples of relationship violence include the following:

- Tracey's boyfriend Mark yelled at her today because she was late meeting him for lunch. Mark grabbed Tracey's arm and pulled her out of the dining hall. Tracey was embarrassed. Later Mark said he was so sorry for humiliating her. Tracey says things are okay now, but she wonders when it will happen again.
- Zach and James have been dating for a month. Zach, a student, has always been jealous, but now he becomes angry when he does not know where James is. He tells James that he will kill him if he ever cheats on him. Zach also told James that he would kill himself if James ever left him. The other day, Zach slapped James when he was mad at him. James is becoming more and more afraid of Zach, but he feels trapped and does not know what to do.

## F. Retaliation.

### 1. Definition of Retaliation.

Retaliation is an adverse action or attempt to seek retribution against the complainant, or any person or group of persons involved in the investigation and/or resolution of a sexual misconduct complaint. Retaliation can be committed by any person or group of persons, not just a respondent. Retaliation may include continued abuse or violence, other forms of harassment, and slander and libel.

It is a violation of Massachusetts and federal law and a violation of this Policy to retaliate against a person for filing a complaint of sexual misconduct or for cooperating in a sexual misconduct investigation. Any person who retaliates against a person who has reported sexual misconduct, filed a sexual misconduct complaint, or participated in a sexual misconduct investigation is subject to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion or termination by the University.



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## 2. Examples of Retaliation.

- Katie reported to the Dean of Students that she felt her ex-boyfriend, Nate, was harassing her on the basis of her sex. The Office of Judicial Affairs (OJA) conducted an investigation and held Nate responsible for the behavior reported. Nate was suspended for one semester. A week after the disciplinary decision was issued, Nate's friends excluded Katie from the invitation list of a unique educational conference because she had "ratted out" Nate to the Dean.
- Rachel accused Danielle of stalking. Rachel told Judicial Affairs that she had four witnesses, including Katrina who was Danielle's roommate. Danielle found out that Katrina was a witness in the investigation and had provided information supportive of Rachel. Danielle confronted Katrina in the GSU and told her that because Katrina didn't support Danielle during the investigation, they were no longer friends and Danielle would no longer lend Katrina her car.

## III. OTHER IMPORTANT CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS.

### A. Consent.

Consent must be informed and voluntary, and can be withdrawn at any time. Consent can be given by words or actions as long as those words or actions create mutually understandable permission regarding the scope of sexual activity. There is no consent when there is force, expressed or implied, or when coercion, intimidation, threats, or duress is used. Whether a person has taken advantage of a position of influence over another person may be a factor in determining consent.

Silence or absence of resistance does not imply consent. Past consent to sexual activity with another person does not imply ongoing future consent with that person or consent to that same sexual activity with another person.

If a person is mentally or physically incapacitated or impaired so that he or she cannot understand the fact, nature, or extent of the sexual situation, there is no consent; this includes impairment or incapacitation due to alcohol or drug consumption that meets this standard, or being asleep or unconscious.

Effect of drugs and alcohol on consent:

Individuals should be aware of, and carefully consider, the potential consequences of the use of alcohol or drugs. Alcohol and other drugs can lower inhibitions and create an atmosphere of confusion over whether consent is freely and affirmatively given. If there is a question about whether someone consented to sexual activity after consuming drugs or alcohol, the University will examine the issue from the perspective of a reasonable person. Specifically, the University will consider whether the respondent reasonably should have known about the impact of alcohol and other drugs on the complainant's ability to give consent.

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## **B. Incapacitation.**

Incapacitation is the inability, temporarily or permanently, to give consent, because the person is mentally and/or physically helpless due to drug or alcohol consumption, either voluntarily or involuntarily, or the person is unconscious, asleep, or otherwise unaware that the sexual activity is occurring. Some signs of incapacitation may include, but are not limited to, lack of control over physical movements (e.g., stumbling, falling down), lack of awareness of circumstances or surroundings, the inability to speak or communicate orally, or the inability to communicate for any reason.

It is a violation of this Policy and Massachusetts law to engage in sexual activity with a person who is incapacitated, regardless of whether the person appeared to be a willing participant. It is especially important, therefore, that anyone engaging in sexual activity be aware of the other person's level of intoxication.

## **C. Force.**

The use of force to cause someone to engage in sexual activity is, by definition, non-consensual contact, and is prohibited. Force may include words, conduct, or appearance. Force includes causing another's intoxication or impairment through the use of drugs or alcohol. Under this Policy, force includes the use of any of the following:

### 1. Physical Force, Violence, or a Weapon.

Example: Steve and Melissa return to his room after a party. They consensually begin kissing and touching each other. Steve wants to have sex, but Melissa tells him that she does not want to go that far. When Melissa tries to get off the bed and leave the room, Steve holds her down and they have sex. Steve's use of force renders the sexual intercourse non-consensual and violates this Policy.

### 2. Threats.

Example: Josh and Lucas meet at a party. Josh confides in Lucas that he has recently "come out" to a few close friends, but most people do not know he is gay. Josh worries how people will react if they knew. As the evening progresses, Lucas and Josh start kissing. Lucas wants to have sex, but Josh tells him he is not ready for that. Lucas threatens to "out" Josh on Instagram and Twitter if he does not have sex with him. Out of fear for his reputation, Josh submits to Lucas even though he really does not want to. Any sexual activity that then occurs is forced sexual contact and violates this Policy.

### 3. Intimidation and Implied Threats.

Example: Dylan is a popular senior and the captain of a sports team on campus. He has brought Grace, who is a first year female athlete at school, to a fraternity party. Grace would not have

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been able to get into the party if it was not for Dylan's influence. Later in the evening, Grace wants to leave, but Dylan blocks her way with his body. He is significantly bigger than she is and she cannot get around him. Dylan starts to kiss and touch Grace, but she tells him to stop. Dylan tells Grace he can make sure she gets into all the big parties on campus this year which would help her relationship with her new teammates (implying he could turn the team against her). Grace does not want to be with Dylan, but she is worried about the impact he could have on her social and athletic life if she refuses. If Grace submits to Dylan out of his implied threats and abuse of his status, it may constitute forced sexual contact in violation of this Policy.

#### 4. Coercion.

Coercion is to force one to act based on fear of harm to self or others. Means of coercion may include, but are not limited to, pressure, threats, or emotional intimidation.

Example: Hannah's parents both died recently and she has been having a hard time focusing this semester. Owen, a friend of Hannah's, comes to her room to watch a movie with her. When Hannah starts crying and becomes upset, Owen hugs and comforts her. Eventually Hannah and Owen start kissing and touching one another. Hannah wants to stop, but Owen tells her "you've made me so hot, how can you stop now?" When Hannah tells Owen she wants to be alone, Owen tells Hannah that it isn't cool to leave him like this, especially when he came over to help her. Hannah is confused and emotionally vulnerable. Owen implies that Hannah "owes him sex" after all he has done to support her. Owen continues to pressure Hannah until she eventually submits to his advances. Owen's conduct constitutes coercion in that he pressured Hannah into additional sexual contact that was not freely chosen, in violation of this Policy.

#### **D. Hostile Environment.**

A hostile environment exists when sexual or sex-based harassment is sufficiently serious to deny or limit a student's ability to participate in or benefit from the University's programs or activities or has the effect of unreasonably interfering with an employee's work performance or altering the terms and conditions of the employee's employment. A hostile environment can be created by anyone involved in a University program or activity (e.g., administrators, faculty members, students, and campus visitors).

In determining whether sex-based harassment has created a hostile environment, the University considers the conduct in question from both a subjective and objective perspective. It will be necessary, but not enough, that the conduct was unwelcome to the student who was harassed. But the University will also need to find that a reasonable person in the student's position would have perceived the conduct as undesirable or offensive in order for that conduct to create or contribute to a hostile environment.

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To determine whether a hostile environment exists for a student or employee, the University will consider a variety of factors related to the severity, persistence, or pervasiveness of the sex-based harassment, including: (1) the type, frequency, and duration of the conduct; (2) the identity and relationships of persons involved; (3) the number of individuals involved; (4) the location of the conduct and the context in which it occurred; and, (5) the degree to which the conduct affected the student's education or the employee's employment.

The more severe the sex-based harassment, the less need there is to show a repetitive series of incidents to find a hostile environment. Indeed, a single instance of sexual assault may be sufficient to create a hostile environment. Likewise, a series of incidents may be sufficient even if the sex-based harassment is not particularly severe.

#### **E. Miscellaneous Definitions.**

- Complainant: The person making the allegations of sexual misconduct.
- Respondent: The person against whom a complaint of sexual misconduct has been made.
- Reporter: A person who has information that sexual misconduct may have been committed by a University student or a participant in a University Program and who initiates a complaint.

### **IV. CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES.**

As outlined here and in the "Resources and Support" section at the end of this Policy, a variety of support and counseling resources are available to members of the Boston University community affected by sexual misconduct. Contact information for the resources described here is available in Section X.

#### **A. Emergency / Immediate Assistance.**

The University encourages all community members affected by sexual misconduct to seek immediate assistance. Doing so promptly may be important to ensure the person's physical safety or to obtain medical care or other support. It may also be necessary to preserve evidence, which can assist the University and/or law enforcement in responding effectively. Assistance for students is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week (by phone at **617-353-SARP** or email at [sarp@bu.edu](mailto:sarp@bu.edu)).

#### **B. Privacy & Confidentiality.**

Boston University values the privacy of its students, faculty, staff, and other community members. BU wants all community members to seek the assistance they need without fear that the information they provide will be shared more broadly than they would like. Federal and state

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laws, however, impose reporting obligations on certain University employees that require them to disclose information from a report of sexual misconduct with those University employees responsible for responding to such a report. However, there are individuals at Boston University who are not subject to these reporting requirements, with whom students, faculty, and staff can speak in complete confidence. The table in Section XI summarizes the confidentiality protections and reporting obligations of various BU employees and offices.

**Even when University employees have an obligation to report to others, which means their office is described as “non-confidential” under this Policy, they will protect and respect an individual’s privacy to the greatest extent possible and share information only on a need-to-know basis. Any of the staff listed as Resources will be able to explain their respective reporting obligations in more detail.**

### **C. Confidential Campus Resources and Support.**

The University encourages all members of the BU community to report any incident of sexual misconduct. The University recognizes, however, that not every person will choose to make a formal report with the University or with local law enforcement. For those who are not prepared to make a report or pursue a complaint, the University provides confidential advocacy, crisis and pastoral counseling, and medical services on campus. Conversations with these individuals are confidential (except as described in Section XI). They can explain options for obtaining additional support from the University and off-campus resources. They can also arrange for medical care and accompany complainants, or arrange for someone to accompany complainants, to seek such care. Complainants may use these resources to talk to someone about an incident of sexual misconduct in a confidential manner whether or not they decide to make an official report or to participate in the University complaint resolution process or the criminal justice system. Conferring with these resources will not trigger an investigation by the University or law enforcement. However, these offices are familiar with the University’s complaint resolution processes, can explain what to expect, and can provide support while University or criminal processes are pending.

### **D. Non-Confidential Campus Resources.**

In addition to the confidential resources discussed above, all members of the BU community have access to a variety of individuals who are trained to support those affected by sexual misconduct and to coordinate with the Title IX Coordinator consistent with the University’s commitment to a safe and healthy campus environment. While not bound by confidentiality, these resources will nevertheless maintain the privacy of a person’s information within the limited circle of those involved in the Title IX investigation and resolution process.

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## 1. Title IX Coordinators.

The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for overseeing the University's response to Title IX reports and complaints, and identifying and addressing any patterns or systemic problems revealed by such reports and complaints. The Title IX Coordinator's contact information is in Section X.

The Deputy Title IX Coordinators are individuals located in academic departments, and some administrative departments, who are trained to assist students and employees in their departments with complaints or concerns about sexual misconduct, and direct them to the resources they need. They report all complaints and concerns to the Title IX Coordinator, and work closely with the Title IX Coordinator in promptly responding to a person's concerns. The Deputy Coordinators can help with interim measures that a complainant may need during the investigation of a complaint. Contact information for the Deputy Title IX Coordinators is in Section X.

## 2. Boston University Police Department.

Complainants may report sexual misconduct to the Boston University Police Department (BUPD), the Boston Police Department, the Brookline Police Department, and/or the local law enforcement agency or District Attorney's office where the misconduct occurred. The University complaint resolution procedures and the criminal justice system work independently from one another and law enforcement officials do not determine whether a violation of this Policy has occurred. BUPD personnel and the other resources listed in Section X are familiar with state and local law enforcement processes and can explain what happens when sexual misconduct is reported to law enforcement. Confidential resources, the Dean of Students Office, the Office of Judicial Affairs, and BUPD can explain how to report sexual assault and other forms of sexual misconduct to law enforcement. Although confidential resources or BUPD personnel will accompany any student requesting support to the appropriate Police Department or District Attorney's Office, they are not able to provide legal advice on these matters.

### **E. Off-Campus Resources.**

Students, faculty, and staff may also access resources located in the local community. The organizations and agencies listed in Section X can provide crisis intervention services, counseling, medical attention, and legal assistance. All members of the BU community are encouraged to utilize the resources that are the best suited to their needs, whether on or off campus. In general, off-campus resources can provide assistance to those who wish to make a report to the University, but will not notify the University without the consent of the complainant.

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## V. REPORTING SEXUAL MISCONDUCT.

Boston University encourages all survivors to report incidents of sexual misconduct as promptly as possible so that the University can respond effectively. Students may report sexual misconduct to the Dean of Students, the Office of Judicial Affairs (OJA), the Title IX Coordinator, or a Deputy Title IX Coordinator. Faculty and staff may report incidents to the Title IX Coordinator, a Deputy Title IX Coordinator, a supervisor, a Dean, or a department head. In general, when one of these offices receives a report, the University must commence an investigation. All reports of such incidents will be disclosed to the Title IX Coordinator.

The University recognizes that student complainants may be most comfortable disclosing sexual misconduct to a University employee they know well, such as a faculty member, coach, or resident adviser (RA). Students are welcome to speak with them, but should understand that these individuals are considered “responsible employees” of the University (other than the confidential resources identified in the Section X), and if they receive a report of sexual misconduct are required to inform the Title IX Coordinator about the incident. The University defines a “responsible employee” to include supervisors and officials with significant responsibility for student and campus activities including, but not limited to, academics, student residences, athletics, discipline, and campus safety. Employees whose positions legally require confidentiality (e.g., counseling staff and clergy) are not “responsible employees.”

Before a student discloses an incident of sexual misconduct, University faculty and staff will try to ensure that the student understands the employee’s reporting obligations — and, if the student wishes to maintain confidentiality, direct the student to confidential resources. Similarly, before a faculty or staff member discloses an incident of sexual misconduct, the person to whom the disclosure is to be made will endeavor to ensure that the faculty or staff member understands his or her reporting obligations. Section X identifies the confidential resources available to students, faculty, and staff who do not wish to file a complaint or trigger an investigation, or who would like to better understand their options.

### A. Reports to a Non-Confidential Resource: Requests for Confidentiality.

The University has designated the Title IX Coordinator and a small number of other University administrators to evaluate requests for confidentiality and oversee the University’s response to reports of sexual misconduct where the complainant has disclosed an incident of sexual misconduct to a “responsible employee” (who must report the incident) and also requested that his or her identity not be disclosed or that no action be taken.

In such cases, the Title IX Coordinator, in consultation with a small number of key University administrators, which may include SARP, representatives of the Dean of Students Office, the Boston University Police Department, and the Office of the General Counsel, will weigh the

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request against the University's obligation to provide a safe, non-discriminatory environment for all students, including the complainant. When weighing a request that no investigation be pursued or the complainant's identity not be disclosed, the Title IX Coordinator and the appropriate University administrators will consider a range of factors, including whether:

- The respondent is likely to commit additional acts of sexual or other violence, such as:
  - There have been other sexual misconduct complaints about the same respondent;
  - The respondent has a history of arrests or records from a prior school indicating a history of violence;
  - The respondent threatened further sexual misconduct or other violence against the complainant or others;
  - The sexual misconduct was committed by multiple respondents.
- The sexual misconduct was perpetrated with a weapon;
- The complainant is a minor;
- The respondent is a Boston University employee;
- The University possesses other means to investigate the sexual misconduct (e.g., security cameras or personnel, physical evidence);
- The complainant's report reveals a pattern of perpetration (e.g., via illicit use of drugs or alcohol) at a given location or by a particular person or group.

The presence of one or more of these factors could lead the University to investigate and, if appropriate, pursue conduct action against the respondent. If none of these factors are present, the University will likely respect the complainant's request.

If the University honors a request for confidentiality or decision not to participate in an investigation, the University's ability to meaningfully investigate the incident or pursue conduct action against the respondent(s) may be limited.

In some cases the University may not be able to honor a confidentiality request in order to adhere to its obligation to provide a safe, non-discriminatory environment for the BU community. If the Title IX Coordinator determines that the University cannot maintain a complainant's confidentiality, the Title IX Coordinator will inform the complainant prior to starting an investigation and will only share information with those University officials responsible for handling the University's response.



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## **B. Interim Measures and Support.**

Boston University provides a range of support services for survivors of sexual misconduct, including interim measures. Interim measures are available to provide for the safety of the complainant and the campus community while the University is investigating an allegation of sexual misconduct. Requests for interim measures can be made by or on behalf of the complainant to the University Title IX Coordinator or a Deputy Title IX Coordinators. Students may also seek assistance from the Dean of Students Office. The Title IX Coordinator will work with the appropriate office(s) to ensure that any necessary interim measures are promptly provided. For more information about interim measures and support, see Student Procedures, Section VII, and Faculty and Staff Procedures, Section V.

Upon the receipt of a report of sexual misconduct, and until any investigation into the report has been completed, the University will provide reasonable protective measures and interim support to provide a safe educational and work environment and to prevent additional acts of sexual misconduct, even when there is no specific request for protective action.

The University may impose any measure that can be tailored to the parties involved to achieve the goals of this Policy. In addition, the University will maintain as confidential any accommodations or protective measures provided to the complainant to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the ability of the University to provide the accommodations or protective measures.

An individual's failure to comply with restrictions imposed by interim measures is a violation of this Policy and a basis for disciplinary action.

Outside the University, a complainant may also be entitled to obtain remedies under applicable law, such as a judicial restraining order. The University can assist in contacting law enforcement or legal service organizations to learn about these remedies.

## **C. Amnesty for Students Who Report Sexual Misconduct.**

Boston University encourages the reporting of all concerns regarding sexual misconduct. In some instances, students may be hesitant to report sexual misconduct because they fear they may be charged with other policy violations, such as underage alcohol consumption or violation of the University's drug policy. Because BU's primary interest is in protecting the well-being of its community and remedying sexual misconduct, a person who reports sexual misconduct, either as a complainant or a third party witness, will not be subject to disciplinary action by the University for his/her own personal consumption of alcohol or drugs at or near the time of the incident, provided that any such violations did not and do not place the health or safety of any other person at risk. However, the use of alcohol or drugs does not excuse sexual misconduct and a person who has been incapacitated through the use of alcohol and drugs (or by any other means) cannot give effective consent to sexual activity. The University may initiate an educational discussion or pursue other educational remedies regarding alcohol or other drugs.

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## **VI. OTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO REPORTING SEXUAL MISCONDUCT**

### **A. Time for Reporting.**

Although all members of the Boston University community are encouraged to report sexual misconduct immediately in order to maximize the University's ability to respond promptly and equitably, the University does not limit the time frame for reporting. However, the University's ability to investigate and respond effectively may be reduced with the passage of time.

### **B. Anonymous Reports and Reports from Third Parties.**

Any person may make an anonymous report concerning an act of sexual misconduct. A person may report the incident without disclosing his/her/their name, identifying the respondent, or requesting any action. Depending on the level of information available about the incident and the people involved, however, the University's ability to respond to an anonymous report may be limited. Anonymous reports may be made by submitting the Sexual Misconduct Report Form to the University Title IX Coordinator or one of the Deputy Title IX Coordinators.

In cases in which the report was made anonymously or by a third party (such as a friend, roommate, adviser, or faculty member), this Policy will apply in the same manner as if the complainant had made the initial report. A Title IX Coordinator or member of the OJA staff will make every effort to meet with the complainant to discuss available options and on-campus and off-campus resources.

### **C. Reporting of Crime and Disciplinary Statistics.**

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act) is a federal law that requires the University to record and report certain information about campus safety, including the number of incidents of certain crimes on or near campus, some of which constitute sexual misconduct under this Policy. As described in the chart in Section XI, many BU employees who receive reports of sexual misconduct are required by the Clery Act to notify BUPD about such incidents for statistical reporting purposes, without the inclusion of personally identifiable information, as defined by VAWA. These notifications may include the classification and location of the reported crimes, but, in the case of employees with "confidential" status, do not identify the parties involved.

The Clery Act also requires the University to issue a "timely warning" when it receives a report of certain crimes that pose a serious or continuing threat to the University community. This warning will not contain any biographical or other identifying information regarding the victim of the crime. Immediately threatening circumstances include, but are not limited to, recently reported incidents of sexual misconduct that include the use of force, a weapon, or other circumstances that represent a serious and ongoing threat to BU students, faculty, administrators, staff, or visitors.

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#### **D. Public Awareness Events.**

The University supports public awareness events that further campus-wide education and prevention efforts. A survivor's public disclosure of incidents of sexual misconduct at these events will not be considered a report to the University for the purpose of triggering an investigation of a particular incident.

In addition, the University may, from time-to-time, conduct climate surveys to gauge the BU communities' attitudes about sexual misconduct and awareness of campus resources. These voluntary surveys will contribute to the University's understanding of the campus climate and student safety at BU. The disclosure of incidents of sexual misconduct in responses to survey questions will not be considered a report to the University for the purpose of triggering an investigation of a particular incident.

#### **E. Prohibition Against Retaliation.**

The University and Title IX strictly prohibit retaliation against and intimidation of any person because he or she reported of an incident of sexual misconduct or is involved in the University's response. BU will take strong disciplinary action in response to any retaliation or intimidation, and will pursue such discipline through the applicable student conduct policy or other disciplinary process and follow the applicable time frames within such policies or processes.

#### **F. Filing a Criminal Complaint and Coordination with Law Enforcement.**

Boston University encourages complainants to pursue criminal action for incidents of sexual misconduct that may also be crimes under Massachusetts law. In general, the University, through the Chief of the BUPD, will notify the Boston or Brookline Police Department of allegations of sexual violence. The University will also assist a complainant in making a criminal report and will cooperate with law enforcement agencies if a complainant decides to pursue the criminal process to the extent permitted by law. However, a complainant may also choose not to pursue criminal action, and under most circumstances, the Boston or Brookline Police Department will not force a complainant to pursue criminal charges if he or she is not willing to do so.

### **VII. TITLE IX REVIEW.**

#### **A. Role of the Title IX Coordinator.**

The Title IX Coordinator oversees the University's centralized review, investigation, and resolution procedures for reports of sexual misconduct and coordinates the University's compliance with Title IX. The Title IX Coordinator is supported by a team of University administrators who serve as Deputy Title IX Coordinators. Each Deputy Title IX Coordinator is knowledgeable and trained in state and federal laws that apply to matters of sexual misconduct, as well as this Policy and the complaint resolution procedures.

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A complete list of the Deputy Title IX Coordinators is available [here](#).

The Title IX and/or Deputy Title IX Coordinators can be contacted by telephone, email, or in person during regular office hours. They can provide information related to campus and community resources and describe the options available to address concerns related to sexual misconduct.

The duties and responsibilities of the Title IX and Deputy Title IX Coordinators also include training, education, climate assessments, and the oversight of procedures that are designed to promptly and equitably end sexual misconduct, prevent its recurrence, and address its effect on persons and the University community as a whole. The Title IX Coordinator, with the assistance of Deputy Title IX Coordinators as appropriate, will:

- Oversee the investigation and resolution of all reports of sexual misconduct;
- Ensure prompt and equitable resolutions that comply with all requirements and timeframes specified in the University's complaint procedures;
- Conduct climate checks to track and monitor sexual misconduct allegations on campus; and,
- Coordinate all training, education, and prevention efforts.

The Title IX Coordinator and a Deputy Title IX Coordinator will meet with any person, including a complainant, respondent, or third party, to discuss interim measures, resources, and procedural options for on-campus and off-campus reporting. Any student, faculty, or staff member who has concerns about sexual misconduct, including sexual assault, discrimination, or harassment, is encouraged to seek the assistance of the University's Title IX Coordinator or any of the Deputy Title IX Coordinators.

## **B. Procedures for Responding to Sexual Misconduct.**

The Title IX Coordinator oversees the initial response and assessment of reports of sexual misconduct through the University's sexual misconduct resolution procedures. The procedure used will be determined by the status of the respondent:

- Complaints against student respondents will be resolved by the Procedures for the Resolution of Sexual Misconduct Complaints against Students.
- Complaints against faculty and staff respondents, as well as non-affiliates, will be resolved by the Procedures for the Resolution of Sexual Misconduct Complaints against Faculty, Staff, Affiliates, and Non-Affiliates.

Each process is guided by the same principles of fairness and respect for all parties. Resources are available for both students and employees, whether as complainants or respondents, to provide guidance throughout the investigation and resolution of a sexual misconduct complaint.

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## VIII. PREVENTION AND EDUCATION

Boston University expects all community members to take reasonable and prudent actions to prevent or stop an act of sexual misconduct. Taking action may include direct intervention, calling law enforcement, or seeking assistance from a person in authority. Members of the BU community who intervene to prevent or stop sexual misconduct will be supported by the University and protected from retaliation. Read more about SARP's education, awareness, and training program.

## IX. TRAINING

In connection with its obligations under Title IX, Boston University is committed to ensuring appropriate training for its Title IX Coordinator, Deputy Title IX Coordinators, law enforcement personnel, "responsible employees," victim advocates, and others involved in responding to, investigating, or adjudicating sexual misconduct. In addition, the University has developed an on-line training program for faculty, staff, and students to assist them in recognizing sexual misconduct, teach them how to respond to reports of sexual misconduct, and ensure that they are aware of available on and off campus resources.

## X. RESOURCES AND SUPPORT.

The contact information for the resources listed here was confirmed at the time of the Policy's initial publication in January 2015. Up-to-date contact information can always be found on the University's website at [www.bu.edu/safety](http://www.bu.edu/safety).

### CONFIDENTIAL ON-CAMPUS CRISIS INTERVENTION, SUPPORT, ADVOCACY AND HEALTH RESOURCES

#### **Sexual Assault Response & Prevention Center (SARP) (for students)**

[www.bu.edu/sarp](http://www.bu.edu/sarp)

930 Commonwealth Ave.

24-hour hotline: **617-353-SARP (7277)**

By email: [sarp@bu.edu](mailto:sarp@bu.edu)

#### **Student Health Services/Behavioral Medicine**

[www.bu.edu/shs](http://www.bu.edu/shs)

881 Commonwealth Ave., First Floor

Medical Department

**617-353-3575**

#### **Behavioral Medicine**

24-hour hotline: **617-353-3569**

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**Faculty & Staff Assistance Office (for employees)**

[www.bu.edu/fsao](http://www.bu.edu/fsao)

Charles River Campus  
270 Bay State Road, B-30

**617-353-5381**

Medical Campus  
Dr. Solomon Carter Fuller Mental Health Ctr.  
85 East Newton St., 818B

**617-638-5381**

By email: [fsao@bu.edu](mailto:fsao@bu.edu)

**Office of the Ombuds**

[www.bu.edu/ombuds/](http://www.bu.edu/ombuds/)

Charles River Campus  
930 Commonwealth Ave., First Floor

**617-358-5960**

Medical Campus  
Dr. Solomon Carter Fuller Mental Health Ctr.  
85 East Newton St., Suite 957E

**617-638-7645**

**University Chaplains**

[www.bu.edu/chapel/staff/chaplains/](http://www.bu.edu/chapel/staff/chaplains/)

Charles River Campus  
735 Commonwealth Ave.

**617-353-3560**

By email: [chapel@bu.edu](mailto:chapel@bu.edu)

NON-CONFIDENTIAL CAMPUS RESOURCES

**University Title IX Coordinator**

19 Deerfield Street, Second Floor

**617-353-9286**

By email: [titleix@bu.edu](mailto:titleix@bu.edu)

Deputy Title IX Coordinators and their contact information

**Boston University Police Department**

32 Harry Agganis Way

In an emergency: **617-353-2121**

Detective Unit: **617-353-3436**

[www.bu.edu/police/](http://www.bu.edu/police/)

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**Dean of Students Office (Students)**

George Sherman Union, Third Floor  
775 Commonwealth Ave.

[www.bu.edu/dos/about-us/contact-us/](http://www.bu.edu/dos/about-us/contact-us/)

**617-353-4126**

**Office of Judicial Affairs (Students)**

19 Deerfield Street, Third Floor

**617-358-0700**

**Equal Opportunity Office (Faculty & Staff)**

[www.bu.edu/eoo](http://www.bu.edu/eoo)

19 Deerfield Street, Second Floor

**617-353-9286**

By email: [titleix@bu.edu](mailto:titleix@bu.edu)

**Human Resources (Faculty & Staff)**

Charles River Campus  
25 Buick Street, Second Floor

**617-353-2380**

**Medical Campus**

801 Massachusetts Avenue  
Crosstown Center Building, Suite 400

**617-638-4610**

**University Service Center**

881 Commonwealth Avenue

**617-358-1818**

By email: [usc@bu.edu](mailto:usc@bu.edu)

**Student Financial Assistance**

881 Commonwealth Avenue

**617-353-2965**

By email: [finaid@bu.edu](mailto:finaid@bu.edu)

Website: <http://www.bu.edu/finaid/contact-us/>

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OFF-CAMPUS COUNSELING, ADVOCACY, AND LEGAL RESOURCES, including assistance with or referrals for visa and immigration matters

**Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (BARCC)**

[www.barcc.org](http://www.barcc.org)

**617-492-RAPE (7273)**

**800-841-8371**

**Victim Rights Law Center (VRLC)**

[www.victimrights.org/](http://www.victimrights.org/)

115 Broad Street, 3rd Floor

Boston, MA 02110 **617-399-6720, x19** for Legal Assistance

By email: [legalhelp@victimrights.org](mailto:legalhelp@victimrights.org)

**Fenway Health Violence Recovery Program**

[www.fenwayhealth.org/](http://www.fenwayhealth.org/)

Ansin Building

1340 Boylston Street

Boston, MA 02215

**617-267-0900 (24/7)**

OFF-CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT RESOURCES

**Boston Police Department Sexual Assault Unit**

[www.cityofboston.gov/police/divisions/sau\\_home.asp](http://www.cityofboston.gov/police/divisions/sau_home.asp)

Boston Police Department—911

**617-343-4400**

Boston Police Sexual Assault Unit

**617-343-4400**

**Brookline Police Department—911**

Brookline Police Detective Bureau

**617-730-2244**

OFF-CAMPUS MEDICAL/HEALTH CARE RESOURCES

A medical provider can provide emergency and/or follow-up medical services as appropriate, and a person can discuss any related health care concerns in a confidential medical setting. The medical examination has two primary goals: (i) to diagnose and treat the full extent of any injury or physical effect (sexually transmitted infection or pregnancy) and (ii) to properly collect and preserve evidence. There is a limited window of time within which to preserve physical and other forms of evidence (usually within 96 hours of the sexual assault). Taking the step to gather evidence immediately does not commit a person to any course of action.



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### **Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center Emergency Department**

West Campus,

190 Pilgrim Road, Boston, MA

**617-754-2400 Emergency Room**

**617-754-2323 Non-ER Injuries**

Note: Beth Israel Deaconess, along with Boston Medical Center and Brigham & Women's Hospital, is a SANE-designated hospital that has specially trained Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE) on call. SARP can help students arrange a SANE examination.

### GOVERNMENT RESOURCES

The resources listed here may provide additional assistance for those who would like to file an external complaint of sexual misconduct or students with inquiries regarding the application of Title IX and its implementing regulations.

#### **U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights**

[www.ed.gov/ocr](http://www.ed.gov/ocr)

Region I - Boston Office

5 Post Office Square, Eighth Floor

Boston, MA 02109-3921

**617-289-0111**

[OCR.Boston@ed.gov](mailto:OCR.Boston@ed.gov)

#### **U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women**

[www.ovw.usdoj.gov/ovw](http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/ovw)

U.S. Department of Justice

Office on Violence Against Women

145 N Street, NE, Suite 10W.121

Washington, DC 20530

**202-307-6026**

**U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services**

[www.uscis.gov/about-us/find-uscis-office/field-offices/massachusetts-boston-field-office](http://www.uscis.gov/about-us/find-uscis-office/field-offices/massachusetts-boston-field-office)

Boston Field Office  
John F. Kennedy Federal Bldg.  
15 New Sudbury St.  
Room E-160  
Boston, MA 02203  
**800-375-5283**

**Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD)**

<http://www.mass.gov/mcad>

1 Ashburton Place, Sixth Floor  
Boston, MA 02108  
**617-994-6000**

**XI. CONFIDENTIALITY PROTECTIONS & REPORTING OBLIGATIONS.**

As a reminder, confidential resources will not share information with anyone. Non-confidential resources are also required to respect a complainant’s privacy to the greatest extent possible. They will disclose identifying information to others only on a need-to-know basis.

Office/Personnel	Status	Reporting Obligation
University Chaplains (Clergy)	Confidential	None, unless acting in a role described below.
Behavioral Medicine	Confidential	Behavioral Medicine will report incidents without any identifying information to the Title IX Coordinator to help the University understand the existence and extent of the problem (Title IX).  If the incident is a crime on or near campus, Behavioral Medicine will report it without any identifying information to BUPD for inclusion in the annual security report and for issuance of any required timely warning (Clery Act).

Sexual Assault Response and Prevention Center (SARP)	Confidential	<p>SARP will report incidents without any identifying information to the Title IX Coordinator to help the University understand the existence and extent of the problem (Title IX).</p> <p>If the incident is a crime on or near campus, SARP may report it without any identifying information to BUPD for inclusion in the annual security report and for issuance of any required timely warning (Clery Act) if the complainant consents to the report.</p>
Student Health Services (SHS)	Confidential	<p>SHS will report incidents without any identifying information to the Title IX Coordinator to help the University understand the existence and extent of the problem (Title IX).</p> <p>If the incident is a crime on or near campus, SHS will report it without any identifying information to BUPD for inclusion in the annual security report and for issuance of any required timely warning (Clery Act).</p> <p>If there is reasonable cause to suspect that a minor has been sexually assaulted, SHS will notify law enforcement (Massachusetts Law).</p>

Faculty & Staff Assistance Office (FSAO)	Confidential	<p>FSAO will report incidents without any identifying information to the Title IX Coordinator to help the University understand the existence and extent of the problem (Title IX).</p> <p>If the incident is a crime on or near campus, FSAO will report it without any identifying information to BUPD for inclusion in the annual security report and for issuance of any required timely warning (Clery Act)</p>
University Ombuds	Confidential	<p>The Ombuds may provide anonymous (de-identified) information to the Title IX Coordinator in an effort to address emerging problems or to prevent recurrence, including information on general trends or patterns of concern (Title IX).</p>
Title IX Coordinator	Not Confidential	<p>Unless a complainant requests otherwise and the request is granted, the Title IX Coordinator will supervise the investigation and response to reported incidents of sexual misconduct (Title IX).</p> <p>If the incident is a crime on or near campus, the Title IX Coordinator will report it without any identifying information to BUPD for inclusion in the annual security report and for issuance of any required timely warning (Clery Act).</p> <p>The Title IX Coordinator will share information with University Personnel who need to know it in order to carry out University policies and procedures.</p>

Deputy Title IX Coordinators	Not Confidential	Unless a complainant requests otherwise and the request is granted, the Deputy Title IX Coordinators will assist the Title IX Coordinator in the investigation and response to reported incidents of sexual misconduct, as appropriate (Title IX).
Dean of Students Office (Dean)	Not Confidential	<p>Unless a complainant requests otherwise and the request is granted, the Dean's designee (the Office of Judicial Affairs) will investigate and respond to reported incidents of sexual misconduct (Title IX).</p> <p>If the incident is a crime on or near campus, the Dean will report it without any identifying information to BUPD for inclusion in the annual security report and for issuance of any required timely warning (Clery Act).</p> <p>The Dean will share information with University Personnel who need to know it in order to carry out University policies and procedures.</p>
Office of Judicial Affairs (OJA)	Not Confidential	<p>Unless a complainant requests otherwise and the request is granted, OJA will investigate and respond to reported incidents of sexual misconduct (Title IX).</p> <p>If the incident is a crime on or near campus, OJA will report it without any identifying information to BUPD for inclusion in the annual security report and for issuance of any required timely warning (Clery Act).</p> <p>OJA will share information with University Personnel who need to know it in order to carry out University policies and procedures.</p>

<p>Equal Opportunity Office (EOO)</p>	<p>Not Confidential</p>	<p>Unless a complainant requests otherwise and the request is granted, EOO will investigate and respond to reported incidents of sexual misconduct (Title IX).</p> <p>If the incident is a crime on or near campus, EOO will report it without any identifying information to BUPD for inclusion in the annual security report and for issuance of any required timely warning (Clery Act).</p> <p>EOO will share information with University Personnel who need to know it in order to carry out University policies and procedures.</p>
<p>Boston University Police Department (BUPD)</p>	<p>Not Confidential</p>	<p>BUPD will report to the Title IX Coordinator all information received about sexual misconduct incidents so the University can investigate and respond (Title IX.)</p> <p>If the incident is a crime, BUPD will include it in a crime log and the annual security report without identifying the victim (Clery Act).</p> <p>If the incident is a crime and poses a serious or continuing threat, BUPD will issue a timely warning or emergency notification (Clery Act).</p> <p>If there is reasonable cause to suspect that a minor has been sexually abused, BUPD will notify University leadership (MA Law on Protection of Minors).</p> <p>BUPD will share information with University personnel who need to know it in order to carry out University policies and procedures.</p>

Other University Personnel	Not Confidential	<p>Will report to the Title IX Coordinator all information received about sexual misconduct incidents so the University can investigate and respond (Title IX.)</p> <p>If the incident is a crime, a “campus security authority” will report it without any identifying information to BUPD for inclusion in the annual security report and for issuance of any required timely warning (Clery Act).</p> <p>If there is reasonable cause to suspect that a minor has been sexually abused, other University personnel will notify University leadership (MA Law on Protection of Minors).</p> <p>Other University personnel will share information with University personnel who need to know it in order to carry out University policies and procedures.</p>
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Please refer to Appendix A which contains information about University programming and initiatives intended to increase the University community's knowledge and to prevent violence and promote safety, including bystander intervention awareness and other prevention programs intended to prevent dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking.

## STUDENT SEXUAL MISCONDUCT PROCEDURES

### Procedures for the Resolution of Sexual Misconduct Complaints Against Students

*Effective January 1, 2015*

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#### I. APPLICABILITY

These Procedures will be used to investigate and resolve all complaints of sexual misconduct against Boston University students (undergraduate, graduate, full-time, and part-time). Complaints of sexual misconduct against Boston University faculty, staff, affiliates, and non-affiliates will be investigated and resolved using the Procedures for the Resolution of Sexual Misconduct Complaints against Faculty, Staff, Affiliates, and Non-Affiliates.



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## II. RIGHTS OF THE COMPLAINANT AND RESPONDENT

Boston University's Procedures for the investigation, adjudication, and resolution of sexual misconduct complaints brought against students are designed to be accessible, prompt, equitable, and impartial. Throughout this process, both the complainant and respondent have the following rights:

- To be treated with respect, dignity, and sensitivity.
- To receive appropriate support from the University.
- Privacy to the extent possible, consistent with applicable law and University policy.
- Information about the University's Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.
- The presence of an Adviser throughout the process.
- To participate or to decline to participate in the investigation or complaint resolution process. However, a decision not to participate in the process either in whole or in part will not prevent the University from proceeding with the information available.
- A prompt and thorough investigation of the allegations.
- Adequate time to review documents in the Office of Judicial Affairs following the investigation.
- To appeal the decision made or any sanctions imposed by the Dean of Students to a Hearing Panel of the University Board on Student Conduct.
- To challenge a Hearing Panel member(s) for a possible conflict of interest.
- To refrain from making self-incriminating statements.
- To appeal the decision by made the Hearing Panel of the University Board on Student Conduct to the University Provost.
- Notification, in writing, of the case resolution, including the outcome of any appeals, and the final determination.
- For the complainant, to report the incident to law enforcement (including the Boston University Police or with the police department in the jurisdiction in which the sexual misconduct occurred) at any time.

Boston University will disclose information about its investigation and resolution of sexual misconduct complaints only to those who need to know the information in order to carry out their

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duties and responsibilities. It will inform all University personnel participating in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing that they are expected to maintain the privacy of the process. This does not prohibit either a complainant or respondent from obtaining the assistance of family members, counselors, therapists, clergy, doctors, attorneys, or other resources.

### **III. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

#### **A. Timing of Complaints.**

If the respondent is a current Boston University student (undergraduate or graduate, full-time or part-time), there is no time limit for filing a complaint to initiate these Procedures. However, students are strongly encouraged to report sexual misconduct in a timely manner to maximize the University's ability to gather evidence, and conduct a thorough, impartial, and reliable investigation. If the respondent is a second semester senior (or in the final semester of a graduate program), the University may withhold that student's Boston University degree pending conclusion of the complaint resolution procedures.

#### **B. Effect of Criminal Proceedings.**

The filing and processing of a complaint of sexual misconduct is separate from and independent of any criminal investigation or proceeding. Boston University will not wait for the conclusion of any criminal investigation or proceedings to begin its own investigation although the University may delay temporarily the fact-finding component of the investigation while the police are gathering evidence. Neither law enforcement's determination as to whether or not to prosecute a respondent nor the outcome of any criminal prosecution is determinative of whether sexual misconduct occurred under the University's Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.

#### **C. Effect of a Pending Complaint on the Respondent.**

If the respondent is a current BU student, no notation will be placed on the respondent's transcript of a complaint or pending disciplinary action prior to the conclusion of the complaint resolution process. If the respondent withdraws from Boston University while a sexual misconduct complaint is pending, the respondent's transcript will reflect a withdrawal and a notation of pending disciplinary action subject to modification to reflect the outcome of the disciplinary action.

#### **D. Amnesty.**

A student who files a sexual misconduct complaint, or who serves as a third party witness during the complaint resolution process, will not be subject to disciplinary action by the University for his or her own personal consumption of alcohol or other drugs at or near the time of the alleged sexual misconduct, provided that such violations did not and do not place the health or safety of

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any other person at risk. However, the use of alcohol or drugs does not excuse sexual misconduct and a person who has been incapacitated through the use of alcohol and drugs (or by any other means) cannot give effective consent to sexual activity. The University may initiate an educational discussion or pursue other educational remedies regarding alcohol or other drugs.

**E. Adviser.**

The complainant and respondent may each choose and be accompanied to any meeting or hearing related to these Procedures by an Adviser, who may provide support during such meeting or hearing. During meetings and interviews, the Adviser may quietly confer or pass notes with the party in a non-disruptive manner. The Adviser may not intervene in a meeting or interview, or address the Investigator. Consistent with the University's obligation to promptly resolve sexual misconduct complaints, the University reserves the right to proceed with any meeting or interview, regardless of the availability of the party's selected Adviser.

**F. Declining to Participate.**

A complainant and/or respondent may decline to participate in the investigative or complaint resolution process. The University may continue the process without the complainant's and/or respondent's participation. In most cases, a refusal to participate in the investigative process will preclude a complainant or respondent from appealing any determination. The Dean of Students will make this determination.

**G. Time Frame for Complaint Resolution.**

The University will seek to resolve every report of sexual misconduct within sixty (60) calendar days of the start of an investigation, not counting any appeals. Time frames may vary depending on the complexity of a case, the availability of witnesses, and at certain times of the academic year (for example, during breaks, study periods or final exams). The University may extend any time frame for good cause, with a written explanation to the complainant and respondent.

**H. Prohibition on Retaliation.**

It is illegal and a violation of the University's Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy to retaliate against a person for filing a complaint of sexual misconduct or for cooperating in a sexual misconduct investigation. Any person who retaliates against a person for reporting sexual misconduct, filing a sexual misconduct complaint, or participating in a sexual misconduct investigation is subject to disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from the University.

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## **I. Notice.**

The Office of Judicial Affairs (OJA) will give the complainant and respondent, respectively, a written explanation of their rights and options, and any available accommodations, as soon as possible after a complaint is reported. OJA and the Dean of Students Office will also ensure that both the complainant and respondent are updated throughout the investigative process, including with timely notice of meetings where either the complainant's or the respondent's presence may be required.

## **IV. INITIATING A COMPLAINT.**

### **A. Individual.**

Any person who believes he or she has experienced sexual misconduct as defined in the University's Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy, may file a complaint against the Boston University student responsible for that conduct (the person filing a complaint is referred to as a "complainant"). A person who has information that sexual misconduct may have been committed by a University student or a participant in a University Program may also file a complaint (the person with such information is referred to as a "reporter"). A complainant or reporter may include any member of the Boston University community, including students, faculty, administrators, and staff members, visitors, applicants for employment or admission, participants in a BU program or activity, or a non-affiliate with knowledge of an incident of sexual misconduct.

### **B. Administrative.**

In extraordinary cases, such as situations that threaten the safety of members of the BU community, the University may initiate a complaint through the Dean of Students Office against a Boston University student. As set forth in the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy, reports of sexual misconduct undergo a Title IX Review to determine the appropriate response.

## **V. HOW TO FILE A COMPLAINT.**

A complainant or reporter may submit a Sexual Misconduct Report Form (paper or electronic format) to the Dean of Students Office, the Office of Judicial Affairs (OJA), or one of the University's Title IX Coordinators. Although the Report Form should contain sufficient information to permit the respondent to understand and respond adequately to the charges being brought, it may not reflect every detail related to the allegations in the complaint, as additional information may be discovered during the investigation.

A complainant may also call or meet with the Dean of Students Office, OJA, or a Title IX Coordinator to initiate a complaint.

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19 Deerfield Street, Second Floor, Boston, MA 02215

**617-353-9286**

[titleix@bu.edu](mailto:titleix@bu.edu)

Deputy Title IX Coordinators

Contact information available at [bu.edu/safety/sexual-misconduct/title-ix-bu-policies](https://bu.edu/safety/sexual-misconduct/title-ix-bu-policies)

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**617-358-0700**

## **VI. INFORMATION FOR COMPLAINANTS.**

After receiving a report of sexual misconduct, OJA will notify the complainant of the option to have an Adviser accompany him or her to any meeting or interview related to the complaint resolution process. OJA will also:

- Provide the complainant with information regarding the Rights of the Complainant and Respondent.
- Explain the prohibition against retaliation.
- Explain the process for investigating and resolving a sexual misconduct complaint (including the available appeal procedures).
- Instruct the complainant not to destroy any potentially relevant documentation in any format.
- Give the complainant a copy of the relevant policies.
- Explain the availability of interim measures.
- Provide the complainant with a list of on-campus and off-campus support resources.

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## **VII. INTERIM MEASURES.**

Upon the filing of a sexual misconduct complaint, the Dean of Students, OJA, or a Title IX Coordinator will review the allegations and determine the necessity and scope of any interim measures to prevent further acts of harassment, misconduct, or retaliation and to provide a safe educational and work environment. The range of interim measures may include, but not be limited to:

- Moving the complainant's or respondent's residence.
- Adjusting the complainant's or respondent's work schedule, assignment, or location for University employment. Changing the complainant's academic schedule, allowing the complainant to take an incomplete in one or more courses, allowing the complainant to drop (or retake) a course without penalty, or attend class via web conference.
- Changing the complainant's transportation arrangements or providing an escort to ensure safe movement between classes and other activities.
- Allowing the complainant to withdraw from or retake a class without penalty, or extending deadlines for examinations or other assignments.
- Reassigning the respondent to another section, if the complainant and respondent are enrolled in the same lecture, discussion class, academic team, or project group.
- Providing access to tutoring or other academic support.
- Issuing an administrative "stay-away" (no contact) order.
- Interim suspension of the respondent.

The University will maintain as confidential any accommodations or protective measures provided to the complainant to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the ability of the University to provide the accommodations or protective measures.

An individual's failure to comply with restrictions imposed by interim measures is a violation of University Policy and a basis for disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion from the University.

## **VIII. WITHDRAWAL OF A COMPLAINT.**

Prior to the conclusion of a sexual misconduct investigation, the complainant may withdraw his or her complaint. Withdrawal of the complaint will ordinarily end the complaint investigation and resolution process. However, the University reserves the right to proceed with the complaint, even after the complainant withdraws it, in order to protect the interests and safety of the BU community.

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## **IX. COMPLAINANT REQUESTS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY.**

If the complainant is willing to participate in the review and investigation process, OJA will proceed as described in the Investigation section below.

If the complainant requests confidentiality or asks that the report of sexual misconduct not be pursued, the University will, generally before taking any further investigative steps, evaluate the complainant's request in the manner set forth in Section V.A of the Sexual Misconduct/ Title IX Policy. The evaluation will be conducted by the Title IX Coordinator in consultation with a small number of University administrators as deemed necessary and appropriate under the circumstances.

Even absent a request for confidentiality, every reasonable effort will be made to protect the privacy of all parties during the investigation. Boston University will disclose information about its investigation and resolution of sexual misconduct complaints only to those who need to know the information in order to carry out their duties and responsibilities. It will inform all University personnel participating in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing that they are expected to maintain the privacy of the process. This does not prohibit either a complainant or respondent from obtaining the assistance of family members, counselors, therapists, clergy, doctors, attorneys, or other resources.

## **X. RESPONDING TO A COMPLAINT.**

### **A. Notification of Respondent.**

The person alleged to have committed sexual misconduct is called the respondent. Unless the complainant requests and is granted confidentiality, the respondent will be notified in writing that a complaint alleging sexual misconduct has been filed against him or her. The respondent will be advised that he or she may have an Adviser accompany him or her to any meeting or interview related to the investigation and complaint resolution process.

### **B. Information for Respondent.**

Within seven (7) calendar days of receiving notice of the complaint, the respondent must arrange to meet with OJA. At that meeting, OJA will:

- Provide the respondent with information regarding the Rights of the Complainant and Respondent.
- Provide the respondent with a copy of the complaint.
- Explain the prohibition against retaliation.
- Discuss the nature of the complaint.

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- Explain the rights and responsibilities of the complainant and respondent. Explain the process for investigating and resolving the complaint (including the available appeal procedures).
  - Instruct the respondent not to destroy any potentially relevant documentation in any format.
  - Give the respondent a copy of the relevant policies.
  - Provide the respondent with a list of on-campus and off-campus support resources.

If the respondent fails to meet or cooperate with the OJA Investigator, the investigation and resolution of the complaint will proceed without input from the respondent. If interim measures have been imposed, OJA will explain the scope of those measures and the respondent's duty to comply with the interim measures.

### **C. Acceptance of Responsibility.**

After reviewing the complaint and meeting with OJA and the Dean of Students, the respondent may choose to end the complaint resolution process by accepting responsibility for the conduct alleged in the complaint. If the respondent accepts responsibility for the conduct alleged in the complaint, the Dean of Students will determine an appropriate sanction for the respondent. If the respondent disputes the allegations of the complaint, the matter will proceed to an investigation.

At any point in the process, the respondent may accept responsibility for the conduct alleged in the complaint. In such cases, the Dean of Students may impose sanctions for violations of the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.

## **XI. INVESTIGATION OF A COMPLAINT.**

### **A. Investigators.**

The Office of Judicial Affairs will designate two Investigators specifically trained in sexual misconduct investigations to conduct a prompt, thorough, and fair investigation.

### **B. Investigation Process.**

The investigation will include one or more interviews with the complainant, the respondent, and any witnesses. The investigation will include the gathering of physical, documentary, or other relevant and available evidence, including law enforcement reports. As part of the investigation, the University will provide an opportunity for all parties to present written statements, identify witnesses, and submit other evidence. The Dean of Students Office may require student-witnesses to cooperate with the investigation regardless of the parties' selection of witnesses.



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### **C. Standard of Proof.**

In resolving complaints pursuant to the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy, the University will use a “preponderance of the evidence,” standard, which is whether the evidence gathered and information provided during the investigation supports a finding that it is more likely than not that the respondent violated the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.

### **D. Investigation Finding.**

At the conclusion of the investigation, the Investigators will prepare a report (the “Investigative Report”) summarizing and analyzing the relevant facts determined through the investigation, with reference to any supporting documentation or statements. Before the Investigative Report is finalized, the complainant and respondent will be given the opportunity to review their own statements and, may also be provided with a written summary of other information collected during the investigation.

A complainant or respondent must submit any comments about their own statement, or on any investigation summary that might be provided, to the Investigators within five (5) calendar days after the statement or summary was provided.

Following the receipt of any comments submitted, or after the 5-day comment period has lapsed without comment, the Investigators will address any identified factual inaccuracies or misunderstandings, as appropriate. The final Investigative Report will provide a summary of the Investigators’ impressions, including context for the evidence and a recommendation, but will not make a final determination as to whether a violation of the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy occurred, reserving that decision (and any sanctions) for the Dean of Students. The parties will be provided with a copy of the final Investigative Report simultaneously.

## **XII. RESOLUTION OF A COMPLAINT.**

### **A. Voluntary Resolution.**

A complainant and a respondent may choose to resolve a complaint through voluntary resolution. Voluntary resolution may include conflict mediation or a restorative conference with a University community member. However, voluntary resolution may only be used:

1. Prior to a decision by Dean of Students being issued;
2. When the Dean of Students determines this is a suitable option for resolving the complaint, and both the complainant and respondent agree to use the process;
3. When the complaint does not involve sexual assault, as defined in Section II.A of the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.

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Either the complainant or respondent may choose to end the voluntary resolution process at any time and commence or resume the formal complaint resolution process.

Because the outcome of voluntary resolution process is mutually developed and agreed upon by the parties, an appeal of the process and its result is not permitted. If the parties are unable to agree on a voluntary resolution, the matter will be referred by the Dean of Students for investigation by the Office of Judicial Affairs.

## **B. Dean of Students Determination of Responsibility under the University's Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.**

On behalf of the University, the Dean of Students shall have jurisdiction in cases of alleged misconduct by Boston University students and shall determine if a student has violated the Sexual Misconduct/ Title IX Policy. The Office of Judicial Affairs will provide the Dean of Students with a copy of the Investigative Report within seven (7) calendar days of its completion. Within fourteen (14) calendar days after receiving the Investigative Report, the Dean of Students will make a determination as to whether the respondent(s) violated the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy, and impose a sanction if a violation has been found.

### **1. Determination & Notice of the Outcome.**

The Dean of Students may, in his or her discretion, provide the complainant and the respondent with an opportunity to meet, accompanied by the party's Adviser. If the Dean of Students meets with one party, he or she will offer the other party the chance to meet.

The Dean of Students will provide the complainant and respondent with simultaneous, written notice of the outcome of the University's resolution of the sexual misconduct complaint (the "Letter of Determination"), the sanction, if any, that has been imposed on the respondent, and any additional steps that the University has taken to eliminate the hostile environment (if the Dean found one exists) and prevent any recurrence of any sexual misconduct. The Letter of Determination will include a description of the right to appeal for both the complainant and the respondent.

### **2. Sanctions for Violations of the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.**

If the respondent is found responsible for violating the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy, the Dean of Students will impose a sanction designed to eliminate the misconduct, prevent its recurrence, and remedy its effects, while supporting the University's educational mission and Title IX obligations. Sanctions may also serve to promote safety or deter students from similar future behavior.

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The following, individually or in combination, are potential sanctions for violations of the University's Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy. Where appropriate, the statement of the sanction includes the duration, any conditions to be observed during that period, and the conditions for termination of the sanction.

#### Major Sanctions.

- Expulsion from the University or a program of the University.
- Suspension from the University or a program of the University for a specific period of time.
- Deferred suspension from the University or a program of the University.
- Denial of graduation, diploma, or degree.
- Deferral of graduation, diploma, or degree for a specific period of time.
- Revocation or withdrawal of diploma or degree previously credited, awarded, or conferred.

#### Other Available Sanctions.

- Expulsion from a University residence.
- Suspension from a University residence for a specific period of time.
- Deferred residence expulsion (with or without relocation to a different residence location).
- Disciplinary probation. Disciplinary probation may involve counseling with faculty or administrative staff; restriction of student privileges; prohibitions against participation in University activities or events, including athletic or non-athletic activities; and prohibitions against holding office or participating in student organizations or residence, school, or college organizations or activities.
- Residence probation. Residence probation may involve periodic meetings with a member of the residence staff and/or restriction of specific residence privileges.
- Disciplinary reprimand or warning.
- Restitution. The student will reimburse the University and/or other appropriate party for damage to or loss of property or for costs or expenses incurred by the University or other party. Restitution will be made at full cost of replacement or repair, and other expenses.

Note: If the respondent is a graduate student who also serves as a teaching assistant, sanctioning decisions related to the respondent's teaching responsibilities will be made by the appropriate academic Dean.

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### **3. Remedies for Complainants.**

As part of the sanctioning process, the Dean of Students, or designee, may require that existing interim remedies stay in place for a prescribed period of time. In consultations with the Title IX Coordinator and the Director of SARP, the Dean of Students may also impose new remedies or administrative actions such as stay-away orders, housing placement, or academic accommodations based upon the investigation and resolution of the case.

## **XIII. APPEAL TO THE UNIVERSITY BOARD ON STUDENT CONDUCT.**

### **A. Grounds for Appeal.**

The complainant and respondent each have the right to appeal the Dean of Students' determination to the University Board on Student Conduct (UBSC). The complainant and respondent will be notified of this right and the procedures for appeal in writing. The Dean's determination will be presumed to have been reached reasonably and appropriately, by a preponderance of the evidence. Therefore, a party may appeal the Dean's determination only on the following grounds:

1. Insufficient evidence to support OJA's findings.
2. The sanction imposed is disproportionate to the violation of the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.
3. The discovery of new, relevant evidence, that was unavailable to the appealing party during the investigation that could reasonably affect the outcome of the case.
4. Prejudicial bias on the part of an OJA Investigator.

To appeal to a Hearing Panel of the UBSC, the appealing party must submit a written appeal petition to the Dean of Students within ten (10) calendar days of the date of receipt of the Letter of Determination. The Dean of Students may accept a late submission under extenuating circumstances.

The Dean of Students will provide the non-appealing party with a copy of the appeal petition. The non-appealing party will have ten (10) days from receipt of the appeal petition to file a response to the appeal petition. The response must be in writing and submitted to the Dean of Students. The Dean of Students will forward the response to the petition to the appealing party upon receipt.

### **B. Content of Appeal Petition and Response.**

The appeal petition must specify the grounds for the appeal, along with the supporting rationale, including a response to the Investigative Report, if any. The appeal may also include, or make reference to, other relevant information such as the identity of new witnesses who were not reason-

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ably discoverable during the investigation or other evidence that was not considered during OJA's investigation. Any response to the appeal petition must address the issue raised in the appeal.

Each party will have the opportunity to review any written submissions of the other party prior to the Hearing.

### **C. University Board on Student Conduct.**

The membership of the UBSC will be as follows: one-third of the members will be members of the faculty appointed by the Provost. The Provost will make his or her designation from a list of 15 nominations made by the Faculty Council. One-third of the members will be students (undergraduate and graduate) selected by the Dean of Students. One-third of the members will be appointed by the Vice President for Enrollment & Student Affairs and may include students, faculty, or members of the administrative staff of the University. Temporary imbalances in the composition of the Board caused by the absence or withdrawal from the UBSC of any member(s) will not affect the validity of actions taken by a Hearing Panel of the UBSC.

Membership on the UBSC shall be for a term of two years except that the term for student members shall be one year. Members appointed to fill a vacancy on the Board shall serve for the duration of the term.

If, during the summer or during any other period, sufficient members of the UBSC are not available to create a Hearing Panel, the Office of the Provost, at the request of the Dean of Students, may designate individuals to serve as interim members of the UBSC for the purpose of serving on a Hearing Panel.

A member of the Dean of Students' staff will sit in ex officio, and will be responsible for the administrative functions of the UBSC, but will not participate in any Hearing. Each Hearing Panel will consist of three or five members of the UBSC. At least one member of each Hearing Panel will be a student and at least one member will be a member of the faculty.

#### **1. Training.**

All UBSC members must participate in training. In addition, each year, returning UBSC members must receive refresher training. In addition to training on how the adjudicatory process works, the training will include specific instruction about how to approach students about sensitive issues that may arise in the context of sexual misconduct.

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## 2. Hearing Panel Selection / Conflict Checking.

The Dean of Students will appoint a Hearing Panel of three or five members and will appoint one of these members as the Panel Chair. The Hearing Panel will not include any person who has participated in any effort to resolve the same complaint. The Hearing Panel members will receive the names of the complainant, the respondent, and all witnesses, and must withdraw from the proceedings if their relationship to a party or witness, or other circumstances leads them to believe that they cannot judge the matter fairly.

The Dean of Students will send a notice to the complainant and respondent, providing the names of the Hearing Panel members and informing them of their right to object to the participation of a Hearing Panel member. The objection must be in writing to the Dean of Students and received within two (2) calendar days of the date of the notice, and must state the party's reasons for believing the Hearing Panel member is incapable of fairly judging the matter.

The Dean of Students will decide whether an objection is justified, and that decision is final. When necessary, the Dean of Students will select a replacement Hearing Panel member. Parties will have an opportunity to object to any Panel member selected as a replacement.

### **D. Hearing Procedures.**

#### 1. Timing and Notice.

The Dean of Students will notify the complainant and the respondent of the time and location of the Hearing and will endeavor to convene a Hearing Panel within fourteen calendar (14) days of the written appeal petition. The parties are expected to cooperate in the scheduling of the Hearing.

#### 2. Pre-Hearing Procedures.

##### a. Pre-Hearing Review.

Prior to the Hearing, the Hearing Panel members will review all the written materials provided to them by the Dean of Students, including OJA's Investigative Report, the Dean of Students' Letter of Determination, the appeal petition and response (if any), and any other documents or evidence submitted by the parties. Based on the appeal petition and response, the Hearing Panel, in its sole discretion, will determine whether third party witnesses will be called at the Hearing and will provide the names of those witnesses to the Dean of Students, who will arrange for those witnesses to appear. The Hearing Panel may also ask to see underlying materials that were relied upon by OJA in its Investigative Report. In the absence of good cause as determined by the Chair in his or her sole discretion, parties may not introduce witnesses, documents, or other evidence at the Hearing that were not included in or referred to by the appeal petition or any response.

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b. Pre-Hearing Meeting.

Prior to the Hearing date, the Dean of Students will schedule individual meetings with the complainant and the respondent and their respective Advisers. At the meeting, the Dean of Students will review the Hearing Panel procedures. In addition, the Dean of Students will provide the complainant and the respondent with a copy of the list of witnesses, and copies of documents or other evidence that the Hearing Panel may consider at the Hearing. The University reserves the right, through the Chair, to add witnesses to the witness lists with reasonable notice prior to the Hearing.

c. Attendance at Hearing.

If the complainant or the respondent fails to appear at the scheduled Hearing, the Chair may postpone the proceedings or direct that the Hearing proceed and determine the appeal on the basis of the available information, provided the absent party was duly notified of the scheduled Hearing date, as outlined above.

3. Conduct of Hearing.

The Chair will preside at the Hearing and may make such rulings as he or she deems necessary for the orderly conduct of the Hearing. No one other than the Hearing Panel members, the complainant and respondent, their respective Advisers, witnesses (when called), and necessary University personnel may be present in the Hearing room or rooms during the proceeding. The Dean of Students Office will work with other University personnel so that any student whose presence is required may participate in the Hearing.

In general, Hearings will proceed as follows:

- Complainant opening statement;
- Respondent opening statement;
- Questions to the complainant by the Hearing Panel;
- Questions to the respondent by the Hearing Panel;
- Witness testimony (if any) and questioning by the Hearing Panel;
- Questions to the Investigators by the Hearing Panel (if any);
- Closing statement by complainant; and
- Closing statement by respondent.

The Hearing Panel will not consider the romantic or sexual history of either the complainant or respondent, except for testimony offered by one or the other about the complainant's and respondent's shared sexual history that the Hearing Panel deems relevant. If such information is offered by the complainant or respondent, the other has the right to respond. The existence of a prior consensual dating or sexual relationship between the complainant and respondent by itself does not support an inference of consent to sexual contact.

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The Hearing Panel may set reasonable time limits for any part of the Hearing. In cases where either the complainant or respondent opts not to participate in the Hearing, the Hearing Panel may still hear from the other.

The Hearing will not follow a courtroom model, and the rules of evidence and civil or criminal procedure do not apply. The Chair has the sole discretion to commence, recess, and reconvene the Hearing, and may suspend the Hearing at any time. The Chair will make any procedural decisions during the Hearing that he or she deems necessary to safeguard the integrity and fairness of the Hearing and to avoid undue delay. The Chair will determine the admissibility, relevance, and materiality of the testimony and information offered and may exclude any testimony or evidence that he or she determines to be cumulative or irrelevant. The Hearing Panel may take notice of facts or information within the knowledge of the University community or based on University records.

Upon timely request by the complainant or respondent, the Chair may accommodate concerns for the personal safety, well-being, and/or fears of confrontation of the complainant or respondent during the Hearing by providing separate facilities, by using a visual screen, and/or by permitting participation by telephone, videophone, closed circuit television, video conferencing, videotape, audiotape, written statement or other means, where and as determined in the sole discretion of the Chair to be appropriate.

a. Audio Recording.

The Dean of Students will arrange for the hearing to be audio recorded, and may arrange for the preparation of any transcript of the recording that he or she deems appropriate. The complainant and respondent will have the right to access a copy of the recording without cost, or to obtain a copy of the recording at his or her expense. The Hearing Panel's post-Hearing deliberations will not be recorded.

Personal cell phones and recording devices may not be used in the Hearing room(s) to record the Hearing unless approved by the Chair in advance.

b. Preponderance of the Evidence Standard of Review.

All decisions by the Hearing Panel will be made by majority vote and must be supported by a preponderance of evidence.



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c. Opening Statements and Questioning by the Parties.

The complainant and respondent will each have the opportunity to present an opening statement. Only the Chair and the Hearing Panel members are permitted question the individual parties and witnesses (if any). However, the complainant and the respondent may ask the Chair to pose additional questions or inquire further into specific matters by submitting these requests to the Chair in writing or orally, at the discretion of the Chair. The Chair may disallow or reframe any questions that are redundant, irrelevant, or disruptive. If, prior to the conclusion of the Hearing, the Hearing Panel determines that unresolved issues exist that would be clarified by the presentation of additional evidence, the Chair may suspend the Hearing and reconvene it in a timely manner to receive such additional information. A suspension of the Hearing may not be based on the proposed introduction of documents or other evidence that could have been presented prior to the Hearing.

d. Respondent Testimony.

The respondent shall have the right not to answer questions during the Hearing; however, the exercise of that right shall not preclude the Hearing Panel from proceeding and evaluating the appeal on the basis of the Investigative Report, Letter of Determination, and other available information.

e. Privacy of the Hearing.

To comply with Title IX and FERPA, and to provide an orderly process for the presentation and consideration of relevant information without undue intimidation or pressure, the Hearing is not open to the public. Accordingly, documents prepared in anticipation of the Hearing (including the Investigative Report, the Letter of Determination, the appeal petition and response, documents, testimony, or other information introduced at the Hearing, and any recording or transcripts of the Hearing) may not be disclosed outside of the Hearing procedures, except as may be required or authorized by law.

4. Hearing Panel Decision.

After completion of the Hearing, all persons other than the members of the Hearing Panel will be asked to leave the Hearing room. The Hearing Panel will then deliberate privately. The members of the Hearing Panel are the sole arbiters of the weight of the evidence and the credibility of the witnesses. The specification or description of a violation of the Sexual Misconduct/ Title IX Policy or the sanction imposed may be modified by the Hearing Panel to conform to the evidence, provided that the modification does not deprive the respondent of his or her right to respond to particular charges.

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The Hearing Panel shall consider the merits of an appeal petition only on the basis of the four grounds for appeal set forth in Section XIII.A and supporting information provided in the written appeal petition, any response to the appeal petition, the record of the original decision, and any testimony elicited at the Hearing. Any decision of the Hearing Panel shall be made by majority vote. The vote itself will not be communicated to the parties.

The Hearing Panel may:

- a. Affirm, modify, or reverse the Dean of Students' determination.
- b. Affirm or modify (either to increase or decrease) the sanctions imposed.
- c. Remand the matter to OJA for further investigation. This shall ordinarily be done in the case of new and relevant information, for an assessment of the weight and effect of the new information and a determination after consideration the new facts.

#### 5. Communication of the Hearing Panel's Decision.

Within seven (7) calendar days from the conclusion of the Hearing Panel's deliberations (or such longer time as the Chair may for good cause determine), the Chair will simultaneously communicate the Hearing Panel's decision on the appeal petition to the complainant, the respondent, and the Dean of Students, and will do so in writing.

#### 6. Maintenance of Records.

The Hearing audio recording, together with the documents, information and other evidence presented at the Hearing, will serve as the record of the hearing proceedings and will be maintained by the Dean of Students as part of the respondent's disciplinary record.

The disciplinary files of students who have been suspended or expelled from the University are maintained in the Dean of Students Office for at least seven (7) years after the students' departure from the University.

## **XIV. APPEALS TO THE UNIVERSITY PROVOST.**

### **A. Procedure for Appeal.**

The complainant and the respondent each have the right to appeal the Hearing Panel's decision to the University Provost. An appeal to the University Provost must be in writing and received by the Provost within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the Hearing Panel's decision. The only grounds for appeal to the Provost are:

1. Procedural irregularity that affected the outcome of the Hearing.
2. The sanction is disproportionate to the violation of the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.

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3. The discovery of new, relevant evidence that was unavailable to the appealing party prior to the Hearing Panel that could reasonably affect the outcome of the case.

4. Prejudicial bias on the part of the Hearing Panel.

The Provost will provide a copy of the appeal petition to the other party. If the non-appealing party chooses to respond to the appeal, he or she must do so in writing to the Provost within ten (10) calendar days after receiving the appeal petition.

Upon receipt of a timely appeal petition, the Dean of Students will forward to the Provost the relevant record of the matter. The University Provost will limit his or her review of Hearing Panel decisions to a review of the record of the original Hearing (including the audio recording), supporting documents, and statements made by one or both parties in the appeal petition.

The Provost will review the record and the statements submitted. The decision of the Provost will be in writing, with copies provided to the complainant, respondent, and the Dean of Students, and will be communicated within fourteen (14) calendar days after receiving the appeal petition or any response.

#### **B. Impact of an Appeal Petition on Imposed Sanctions**

The filing of an appeal petition will not operate to stay the effect of sanctions imposed. However, the appeal petition may seek a stay or modification of the sanctions pending the Provost's decision on the appeal. The Dean of Students or the University Provost, in his or her discretion, may suspend, stay, or modify sanctions imposed, subject to such conditions as either may deem appropriate.

#### **C. Provost's Decision on Appeal.**

The University Provost may:

1. Affirm, modify, or reverse the Hearing Panel's decision.
2. Affirm or modify (either to increase or decrease) the sanctions imposed.
3. Remand the matter to the UBSC for a new Hearing. This shall normally be done when there is a procedural irregularity that could be corrected in a rehearing.

If the Provost remands the matter, he or she will specify whether the sanctions are to be maintained, modified, suspended, or reversed pending completion of the matter on remand.

Any act authorized by this procedure to be performed by the Provost may also be done by an authorized designee of the Provost.

The decision of the Provost will be final.

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## **XV. DISCIPLINARY RECORDS, WITHDRAWAL, AND READMISSION.**

### **A. Disciplinary Records.**

A sanction of expulsion or suspension from the University or a program of the University will be entered on the student's permanent record unless this provision is waived by the Dean of Students and the Provost concurs.

The University Registrar will be informed of all sanctions involving suspension or expulsion from the University or from a program of the University, and no student will be permitted to re-enroll in the University following such sanction unless he or she presents evidence to the Registrar of satisfaction of the sanction and of appropriate permission for re-enrollment.

### **B. Withdrawal and Readmission.**

If a student voluntarily withdraws from the University or a program of the University while charges against him or her are pending, or as part of a negotiated settlement of such charges, this fact will be communicated to the University Registrar and the student will not be permitted to re-enroll unless he or she presents evidence that appropriate permission for re-enrollment has been obtained. Such permission shall be granted solely at the discretion of the Dean of Students or the Provost. If the student withdrew while charges against him or her were pending, permission for readmission will be granted only after the charges have been resolved.

If permission to re-enroll is not granted, the student may petition the Provost for permission, setting forth in his or her petition the relevant facts and the basis upon which the petition is made. The decision of the Provost will be final.

Failure of a student to comply with a sanction or condition imposed or to obtain permission for re-enrollment in accordance with the above requirements may be a basis for denial of re-enrollment.

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# FACULTY/STAFF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT PROCEDURES

## Procedures for the Resolution of Sexual Misconduct Complaints Against Faculty, Staff, Affiliates and Non-Affiliates

Effective January 1, 2015

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### I. APPLICABILITY.

These Procedures will be used to investigate and resolve all complaints of sexual misconduct against Boston University faculty and staff members, affiliates, and non-affiliates, as appropriate. For purposes of the University's Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy and these Procedures, an "affiliate" includes, but is not limited to, visiting scholars and post-doctoral fellows who are not otherwise classified as Boston University faculty, staff, or students. Complaints of sexual misconduct against Boston University students will be investigated and resolved using the Procedures for the Resolution of Sexual Misconduct Complaints against Students.

All other complaints of discrimination or harassment against faculty and staff members, including but not limited to those based on race, color, creed, religion, ethnic origin, age, sex, disability, and sexual orientation, will be resolved using the University's Complaint Procedures in Cases of Alleged Unlawful Discrimination and Harassment

### II. RIGHTS OF THE COMPLAINANT AND RESPONDENT.

These Procedures for the investigation, adjudication, and resolution of sexual misconduct (including sexual harassment) complaints brought against faculty, staff, affiliates and non-affiliates are designed to be accessible, prompt, fair, and impartial. Throughout this process, both the complainant and respondent have the following rights:

- To be treated with respect, dignity, and sensitivity.
- To receive appropriate support from the University.
- Privacy to the extent possible, consistent with applicable law and University policy.

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- Information about the University's Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.
  - A prompt and thorough investigation of the allegations.
  - Notification, in writing, of the case resolution, including the outcome of any appeals.

To report the incident to law enforcement (including the Boston University Police or the police department in the jurisdiction in which the sexual misconduct occurred) at any time.

### **III. PRELIMINARY MATTERS.**

#### **A. Effect of Criminal Proceedings.**

The filing and processing of a complaint of sexual misconduct is separate from and independent of any criminal investigation or proceeding. Boston University will not wait for the conclusion of any criminal investigation or proceedings to begin its own investigation, although the University may delay temporarily the fact-finding component of the investigation while the police are gathering evidence. Neither law enforcement's decision whether to prosecute a respondent nor the outcome of a criminal prosecution is determinative of whether sexual misconduct occurred under the University's Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.

#### **B. Adviser.**

The complainant and respondent may each choose and be accompanied to any meeting or hearing related to these Procedures by an Adviser, who may provide support during such meeting or hearing. During meetings and interviews, the Adviser may quietly confer or pass notes with the party in a non-disruptive manner. The Adviser may not intervene in a meeting or interview, or address the Investigator. Consistent with the University's obligation to promptly resolve sexual misconduct complaints, the University reserves the right to proceed with any meeting or interview, regardless of the availability of the party's selected Adviser.

#### **C. Declining to Participate.**

A complainant may decline to participate in the investigative or complaint resolution process. The University may continue the process without the complainant's participation.

#### **D. Time Frame for Complaint Resolution.**

The University will seek to resolve every report of sexual misconduct within sixty (60) calendar days of the start of an investigation, not counting any appeals. Time frames may vary depending on the complexity of a case and the availability of witnesses, and at certain times of the academic year (for example, during breaks, study periods or final exams). The University may extend any time frame for good cause, with a written explanation to the complainant and respondent.

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### **E. Prohibition on Retaliation.**

It is illegal and a violation of the University's Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy to retaliate against a person for filing a complaint of sexual misconduct or for cooperating in a sexual misconduct investigation. Any person who retaliates against a person for reporting sexual misconduct, filing a sexual misconduct complaint, or participating in a sexual misconduct investigation is subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination by the University.

### **F. Notice.**

The Title IX Coordinator, or designee, will give the complainant and respondent, respectively, an explanation of their rights and options, and as appropriate, any available accommodations, as soon as possible after a complaint is reported. The Equal Opportunity Office will also ensure that both the complainant and respondent are updated throughout the investigative process, including with timely notice of meetings where either the complainant's or the respondent's presence may be required. The complainant and respondent will be simultaneously provided with written notice of the results of any investigation including whether there has been a violation of the University's Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy. The Title IX Coordinator or designee will also inform the complainant of any sanctions imposed on the respondent that directly relate to the complainant, and any other steps the University has taken to prevent recurrence of the misconduct.

## **IV. INITIATING A COMPLAINT.**

Any person who believes he or she has experienced sexual misconduct, as defined in the University's Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy, may file a complaint against the Boston University faculty or staff member, affiliate, or non-affiliate responsible for that conduct (the person filing a complaint is referred to as a "complainant"). A person who has information that a University faculty or staff member, affiliate, or non-affiliate may have committed sexual misconduct may also file a complaint (the person filing the complaint is referred to as a "reporter"). A complainant or reporter may include any member of the Boston University community, including students, faculty, administrators, staff members, visitors, applicants for employment or admission, participants in a BU program or activity, or a non-affiliate with knowledge of an incident of sexual misconduct.

## **V. INTERIM MEASURES.**

Upon the filing of a sexual misconduct complaint, the Title IX Coordinator will review the allegations and determine the necessity and scope of any interim measures to prevent further acts of harassment, misconduct, or retaliation and to provide a safe educational and work environment. The range of interim measures may include, but not be limited to:

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- Adjusting the complainant's or respondent's work schedule, assignment, or location for University employment.
  - Changing the complainant's academic schedule, allowing the complainant to take an incomplete in one or more courses, allowing the complainant to drop (or retake) a course without penalty, or attend class via web conference.
  - Providing an escort to ensure safe movement between classes, work sites, and other activities.
  - Allowing the complainant to withdraw from or retake a class without penalty, or extending deadlines for examinations or other assignments.
  - Providing access to tutoring or other academic support.
  - Putting the respondent on paid administrative leave until the conclusion of the investigation.
  - Issuing an administrative "stay-away" (no contact) order.

The University will maintain as confidential any accommodations or protective measures provided to the complainant to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the ability of the University to provide the accommodations or protective measures.

An individual's failure to comply with restrictions imposed by interim measures is a violation of University Policy and a basis for disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.

## **VI. HOW TO FILE A COMPLAINT.**

A complainant or reporter may submit a Sexual Misconduct Report Form (paper or electronic format), to the Title IX Coordinator, one of the Deputy Title IX Coordinators, Human Resources, or the Equal Opportunity Office. Although the Report Form should be as specific as possible regarding the conduct that precipitated the complaint, it need not reflect every detail related to the allegations in the complaint, as additional information may be discovered during the investigation.

A complainant may also call or meet with the Title IX Coordinator, a Deputy Title IX Coordinator, Human Resources, or the Equal Opportunity Office to initiate a complaint.

University Title IX Coordinator  
19 Deerfield Street, Fl. 2, Boston, MA 02215  
**617-353-9286**  
[titleix@bu.edu](mailto:titleix@bu.edu)



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Deputy Title IX Coordinators  
Contact information available here.

Human Resources  
Charles River Campus  
25 Buick Street, Boston, MA 02215  
**617-353-4044**

Medical Campus  
801 Massachusetts Avenue, Suite 400, Boston, MA 02118  
**617-638-4610**

Equal Opportunity Office  
19 Deerfield Street, Fl. 2, Boston, MA 02215  
**617-353-9286**  
[eogen@bu.edu](mailto:eogen@bu.edu)

## **VII. INVESTIGATION OF A COMPLAINT.**

### **A. Investigator.**

The Title IX Coordinator will designate an Investigator (ordinarily a member of the University's Equal Opportunity Office) specifically trained in sexual misconduct investigations to conduct a prompt, thorough, and fair investigation of any sexual misconduct complaint against a University faculty or staff member, affiliate, or a non-affiliate.

### **B. Investigation Process.**

The investigation may involve one or more meetings with the complainant and respondent, interviewing witnesses, reviewing other relevant evidence, requesting written statements from the parties, informing the respondent of the allegations and/or providing to that person a copy of the complainant's statement. Before any adverse determination is made, the respondent will be informed as to the nature of the complaint, and will have the opportunity to respond. The respondent will also be advised of the University's strict prohibition against retaliation.

### **C. Standard of Proof.**

In resolving complaints pursuant to the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy, the University will use a "preponderance of the evidence" standard, which is whether the evidence gathered and information provided during the investigation supports a finding that it is more likely than not that the respondent violated the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.

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#### **D. Investigation Finding.**

At the conclusion of the investigation, the Investigator will prepare a report (the “Investigative Report”) summarizing and analyzing the relevant facts determined through the investigation, with reference to any supporting documentation or statements.

The final Investigative Report will provide a summary of the Investigator’s impressions, including context for the evidence, and will make a determination as to whether the respondent’s conduct violated the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy. The Investigative Report will then be provided to the Dean of the respondent’s School or College (if a faculty member), the Provost (if the complaint contains allegations against a Dean), or relevant Vice President or Dean (if a staff member).

After review of the Investigative Report, the Dean (with the approval of the Provost), Provost, or relevant Vice President will, if a violation of the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy has been found, make a final determination as to the appropriate disciplinary sanction for the respondent’s violation of the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy. Prior to any disciplinary action, the respondent shall be afforded an appeal, as described in Section VIII, below.

#### **E. Preservation of Records.**

A confidential record of all complaints, including their disposition, will be maintained by the Title IX Coordinator and the Equal Opportunity Office.

### **VIII. REQUESTS FOR CONFIDENTIALITY AND PRIVACY.**

Every reasonable effort will be made to protect the privacy of all parties during the investigation, consistent with and subject to the University’s obligation to investigate and resolve the complaint. Complainants who prefer to discuss an incident of sexual misconduct confidentially such that an investigation will not be initiated should contact one of the confidential resources listed in Section X of the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.

If the complainant reports an incident of sexual misconduct to any other campus resource and requests confidentiality or asks that the report of sexual misconduct not be pursued, the University will, generally before taking any further investigative steps, evaluate the complainant’s request in the manner set forth in Section V.A of the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy. The evaluation will be conducted by the Title IX Coordinator in consultation with a small number of University administrators as deemed necessary and appropriate under the circumstances.

Even absent a request for confidentiality, every reasonable effort will be made to protect the privacy of all parties during the investigation. Boston University will disclose information about its investigation and resolution of sexual misconduct complaints only to those who need to know the information in order to carry out their duties and responsibilities. It will inform all University personnel participating in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing that they are expected to maintain the privacy of the process. This does not prohibit either a complainant or respondent from obtaining the assistance of family members, counselors, therapists, clergy, doctors, attorneys, or other resources.

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## **IX. APPEAL.**

The respondent has the right to appeal the investigative determination and the sanction imposed by the respondent's Dean, Provost, or relevant Vice President.

The University's determination as to whether the respondent's conduct violated the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy will be presumed to have been reached reasonably and appropriately, by a preponderance of the evidence. Therefore, an appeal is available only on the following grounds:

1. Insufficient evidence to support the Investigator's findings.
2. The disciplinary sanction imposed is disproportionate to the violation of the Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Policy.
3. The discovery of new, relevant evidence, that was unavailable to the appealing party during the investigation that could reasonably affect the outcome of the case.
4. Prejudicial bias on the part of the Investigator.

Any appeal must be in writing and should be filed with the Title IX Coordinator within ten (10) calendar days of the date of receipt of the Dean, Provost, or relevant Vice President's final decision. The Title IX Coordinator may accept a late submission under extenuating circumstances.

In the case of complaints against staff members and non-affiliates, the Title IX Coordinator will direct the appeal to the appropriate officer of the University for review and disposition. In the case of complaints against faculty, the Title IX Coordinator will consult with the University Provost to determine the appropriate officer of the University to whom the appeal should be directed.

The decision of the University officer charged with hearing the appeal will be final, subject to Section X, below.

## **X. IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.**

### **A. Suspension or Termination of Faculty.**

Any disciplinary sanction that involves the suspension or termination of a faculty member will be conducted pursuant to the procedures outlined in the Faculty Handbook.

### **B. Disciplinary Actions against Staff.**

Disciplinary sanctions involving staff will be consistent with any applicable collective bargaining agreement and University policies.

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## HAZING

Boston University expressly prohibits any form of hazing. Hazing is against the law, incorporates other serious crimes, and violates University policy. Reports of hazing will be investigated immediately by the Boston University Police Department, other University administrative offices, outside law enforcement agencies, or any combination of the three. In addition to criminal penalties under Massachusetts law, students or employees are subject to University disciplinary action for organizing or participating in hazing or failing to report persons in danger in conjunction with hazing. Additional information about hazing is available at the University's safety website ([www.bu.edu/safety/hazing](http://www.bu.edu/safety/hazing)).

Anyone can report a hazing incident anonymously at [www.bu.edu/dos/policies/lifebook/hazing-prevention-reporting/report-hazing](http://www.bu.edu/dos/policies/lifebook/hazing-prevention-reporting/report-hazing).

### General Laws of Massachusetts

#### Chapter 269: Section 17.

##### **Hazing; organizing or participating; hazing defined**

Section 17. Whoever is a principal organizer or participant in the crime of hazing, as defined herein, shall be punished by a fine of not more than three thousand dollars or by imprisonment in a house of correction for not more than one year, or both such fine and imprisonment.

The term "hazing" as used in this section and in sections eighteen and nineteen, shall mean any conduct or method of initiation into any student organization, whether on public or private property, which willfully or recklessly endangers the physical or mental health of any student or other person. Such conduct shall include whipping, beating, branding, forced calisthenics, exposure to the weather, forced consumption of any food, liquor, beverage, drug, or other substance, or any other brutal treatment or forced physical activity which is likely to adversely affect the physical health or safety of any such student or other person, or which subjects such student or other person to extreme mental stress, including extended deprivation of sleep or rest or extended isolation.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section to the contrary, consent shall not be available as a defense to any prosecution under this action. (Amended by 1987, 665.)

#### Chapter 269: Section 18.

##### **Failure to report hazing**

Section 18. Whoever knows that another person is the victim of hazing as defined in section seventeen and is at the scene of such crime shall, to the extent that such person can do so without danger or peril to himself or others, report such crime to an appropriate law enforcement official as soon as reasonably practicable. Whoever fails to report such crime shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars. (Amended by 1987, 665.)

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**Chapter 269: Section 19. Copy of secs. 17-19; issuance to students and student groups, teams, and organizations; report**

Section 19. Each institution of secondary education and each public and private institution of postsecondary education shall issue to every student group, student team, or student organization which is part of such institution or is recognized by the institution or permitted by the institution to use its name or facilities or is known by the institution to exist as an unaffiliated student group, student team, or student organization, a copy of this section and sections seventeen and eighteen; provided, however, that an institution's compliance with this section's requirements that an institution issue copies of this section and sections seventeen and eighteen to unaffiliated student groups, teams, or organizations shall not constitute evidence of the institution's recognition or endorsement of said unaffiliated student groups, teams, or organizations.

Each such group, team, or organization shall distribute a copy of this section and sections seventeen and eighteen to each of its members, plebes, pledges, or applicants for membership. It shall be the duty of each such group, team, or organization, acting through its designated officer, to deliver annually to the institution, an attested acknowledgement stating that such group, team, or organization has received a copy of this section and said sections seventeen and eighteen, that each of its members, plebes, pledges, or applicants has received a copy of sections seventeen and eighteen, and that such group, team, or organization understands and agrees to comply with the provisions of this section and sections seventeen and eighteen.

Each institution of secondary education and each public or private institution of postsecondary education shall, at least annually, before or at the start of enrollment, deliver to each person who enrolls as a full-time student in such institution a copy of this section and sections seventeen and eighteen.

Each institution of secondary education and each public or private institution of postsecondary education shall file, at least annually, a report with the regents of higher education and in the case of secondary institutions, the board of education, certifying that such institution has complied with its responsibility to inform student groups, teams, or organizations and to notify each full-time student enrolled by it of the provisions of this section and sections seventeen and eighteen and also certifying that said institution has adopted a disciplinary policy with regard to the organizers and participants of hazing, and that such policy has been set forth with appropriate emphasis in the student handbook or similar means of communicating the institution's policies to its students. The board of regents and, in the case of secondary institutions, the board of education, shall promulgate regulations governing the content and frequency of such reports, and shall forthwith report to the attorney general any such institution which fails to make such report. (Amended by 1987, 665.)

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## MISSING STUDENT NOTIFICATION PROCESS

Boston University provides students living in University housing on campus the opportunity to provide confidential contact information to the University whom the University will notify within 24 hours of a determination by BUPD that a student is missing. Students may identify their confidential contact by visiting the Student Link ([www.bu.edu/studentlink](http://www.bu.edu/studentlink)) and clicking on the "Personal" tab and updating the "Address & Phone" information to identify a "Missing Person" contact. Students may identify someone other than their emergency contact to be notified in the event the student is determined to be missing and, if students designate someone other than an emergency contact, that individual and his or her contact information will be confidential and accessible only to authorized campus officials and may not be disclosed, except to law enforcement personnel in furtherance of a missing person investigation. This person will be notified in the event the student is officially reported as missing.

The University will notify the local law enforcement agency, which is BUPD for the Charles River and Medical Campuses, within 24 hours of a determination that a student is missing. The Boston University Police Department will investigate every report of a missing BU student and initiate an investigation based on department policy.

If a student for whom a missing person report has been filed has been missing for more than 24 hours, then within the next 24 hours the BUPD will:

- Begin search procedures.
- Notify appropriate law enforcement officials in the Boston area with an administrative message, radio broadcast, or other similar measure.
- Notify the individual identified by the student to be contacted in such circumstances.
- If the student is under 18 years old and not emancipated, also notify a parent or guardian

Depending on different factors surrounding the investigation, certain police actions will occur sooner than 24 hours after confirmation of the original report. For example, when a person under 18 is reported missing, it is investigated as a missing child case and police will immediately make a computer entry into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) missing persons database and initiate a search. Persons age 18 to 20 must be entered within two hours.

Students, employees, or other individuals who believe that a student living in on-campus housing has been missing for 24 hours may report it to any Residence Life staff member, Resident Assistants, Residential Safety, or to the Boston University Police Department at **617-353-2121**.

All faculty, staff, or students who receive a report of a missing student should immediately report it to the Boston University Police Department.

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## CAMPUS CRIME STATISTICS

The figures listed in the Campus Crime Statistics tables reflect crimes reported to have occurred on Boston University's Charles River and Medical Campuses as well as the University's non-campus facilities and other Boston University educational programs located outside of the Boston area.

The crime statistics are prepared by the BUPD Crime Analysis & Statistics Unit. Crimes are recorded in the year in which they were reported to a campus security authority. BUPD requests crime statistics from city, state, and other local law enforcement. The crime statistics include crimes reported to Boston University by the Boston Police Department and any other law enforcement that provides responsive information.

Under the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act), the University must report any crimes of which it has knowledge—whether through its police department, non-law enforcement University officials, or from other law enforcement agencies—that occur:

- On campus, with a separate designation for crimes in dormitories.
- In or on certain non-campus buildings or property.
- On certain public property.

The definitions of campus, non-campus building or property, and public property under the Clery Act are as follows:

The term *campus* means:

1. Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution of higher education within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution and used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the institution's educational purposes, including residence halls.
2. Property within the same reasonably contiguous geographical area of the institution that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, is used by students, and supports institutional purposes (such as a food or other retail vendor).

The term *non-campus building or property* means:

1. Any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization recognized by the institution.
2. Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution of higher education that is used in direct support of, or in a relation to, the institution's educational purposes, is used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution.

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The term *public property* means all public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that is within the campus, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

Both the University's Charles River and Medical Campuses are located in the City of Boston, which is a diverse urban area. There are a variety of properties in and among both campuses owned and controlled by parties other than the University. As a result, the Boston University Police Department and the BU Medical Campus Public Safety Department patrol areas beyond the specific buildings owned or controlled by the University. In addition, the Boston Police Department, the MBTA Transit Police, the State Police, and other local law enforcement agencies also patrol these areas. The University's crime logs include all crimes reported to the BU Police or the Medical Campus Public Safety Department.

If you have questions regarding the patrol area of the BU Police Department or the Medical Campus Public Safety Department or the collection and reporting of crime statistics, contact the BU Police at **617-353-2110**.

Boston University is proud of its long-standing policy of voluntarily reporting its crime indices to the FBI and to the Massachusetts Department of Public Safety. The Boston University Police Department has been commended by the Governor of Massachusetts for its leadership role in making campus crime information available to the public.

Boston University is a community of approximately 35,000 students, faculty, staff, apartment dwellers, and commercial tenants. The University's main campus (Charles River Campus) stretches about one-and-a-half miles along the Charles River, borders the town of Brookline, and is located approximately one-and-a-half miles from downtown Boston. The Boston University Medical Campus is located in Boston's South End, about two miles from the city center.

See the following pages for Campus Crime Statistics.



# BOSTON UNIVERSITY CAMPUS CRIME STATISTICS

Statistics are accurate as of the date of publication. Any updates may be found at [www.bu.edu/police](http://www.bu.edu/police).

The Annual Security Reports for Boston University's other campuses can be located at the University's

Safety website [www.bu.edu/safety](http://www.bu.edu/safety).

Crimes	Charles River Campus														
	Total			On Campus			On Campus Residential*			Non-campus			Public Property		
	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
Murder & Non-negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	5	9	13	5	9	13	5	8	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Fondling	7	8	5	7	4	4	4	2	3	0	0	0	0	4	1
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	7	9	9	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	9
Aggravated Assault	11	14	7	5	4	4	4	4	2	0	0	0	6	10	3
Burglary	18	20	22	18	19	21	8	7	7	0	1	1	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	6	5	9	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	4	8
Arson	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	15	12	15	15	12	15	5	4	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Violence	0	6	7	0	4	7	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	2	0
Dating Violence	8	9	8	8	5	5	7	4	4	0	0	0	0	4	3
Liquor Law Violations															
Arrest	55	45	41	18	13	4	18	7	3	0	0	0	37	32	37
Referred	1,006	790	771	1,004	790	769	998	788	769	0	0	2	2	0	0
Drug Law Violations															
Arrest	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Referred	90	0	9	90	0	9	85	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Law Violations															
Arrest	1	0	2	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Referred	3	2	6	3	2	6	3	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0

Unfounded crimes: 2014 = 1 | 2015 = 0 | 2016 = 1

Hate Crimes: 2014 = 2 total. 1 aggravated assault based on race was reported on public property; 1 vandalism based on race was reported on campus.

2015 = 3 total. 1 intimidation based on religion was reported on campus; 1 simple assault based on sexual orientation was reported on public property;

1 aggravated assault based on sexual orientation was reported on public property.

2016 = 0

\* On Campus Residential numbers are also included in On Campus numbers.

Crimes	Boston University Medical Campus														
	Total			On Campus			On Campus Residential*			Non-campus			Public Property		
	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
Murder & Non-negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	2	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Forcible Fondling	1	4	4	1	3	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	6	18	15	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	14	15
Aggravated Assault	3	35	37	0	27	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	8	17
Burglary	1	6	4	1	6	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	3	6	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	4	4	7	4	4	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Violence	3	10	20	2	6	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	3
Dating Violence	0	4	6	0	4	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations															
Arrest	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Referred	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Law Violations															
Arrest	10	71	53	2	60	31	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	11	22
Referred	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Law Violations															
Arrest	2	9	3	1	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Referred	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Unfounded Crimes: 2014 = 1 | 2015 = 0 | 2016 = 0

Hate Crimes: 2014 = 0 | 2015 = 1 On Campus intimidation (sexual orientation) | 2016 = 0

\* On Campus Residential numbers are also included in On Campus numbers.

In accordance with guidance issued by the U.S. Department of Education, Boston University began reporting on crimes that occur in buildings owned by Boston Medical Center (BMC) as well as crimes occurring on public property adjacent to those BMC buildings. Those buildings are indicated in blue in the map on page 136 of this Report. Because of this expanded reporting obligation, the statistics for the Boston University Medical Campus show an increase in certain categories of crimes for 2015 and 2016.

# IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

## Police Departments

### Boston University Police Department

Emergencies only: 617-353-2121

[www.bu.edu/police](http://www.bu.edu/police)

(TTY: 617-353-5387)

Non-emergency: 617-353-2110

### Medical Campus Public Safety

617-414-4444

[www.bumc.bu.edu/publicsafety](http://www.bumc.bu.edu/publicsafety)

Non-emergency: 617-353-2110

### Boston Police

911 (617-343-4200)

<http://bpdnews.com>

### Brookline Police

911 (617-730-2222)

[www.brooklinepolice.com](http://www.brooklinepolice.com)

### Cambridge Police

911 (617-349-3301)

[www.cambridgema.gov/cpd](http://www.cambridgema.gov/cpd)

### Transit Police

617-222-1212

[www.mbta.com/transitpolice](http://www.mbta.com/transitpolice)

## Ambulance and Fire

### Boston University

617-353-2121

### Boston, Brookline, Cambridge

911

## Medical

### Boston University Student Health Services

617-353-3575

[www.bu.edu/shs](http://www.bu.edu/shs)



**Boston University Behavioral Medicine Clinic**

617-353-3569

[www.bu.edu/shs/behavioral](http://www.bu.edu/shs/behavioral)

**Boston Medical Center**

617-638-8000

[www.bmc.org](http://www.bmc.org)

**Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center**

617-667-7000

[www.bidmc.org](http://www.bidmc.org)

**Brigham and Women's Hospital**

617-732-5500

[www.brighamandwomens.org](http://www.brighamandwomens.org)

**Crisis Intervention and Counseling**

**Boston University Crisis Counselor**

Days 617-353-3569

Nights and weekends 617-353-2121

**Boston University Sexual Assault Response & Prevention Center**

617-353-7277

[www.bu.edu/sarp](http://www.bu.edu/sarp)

**Boston Area Rape Crisis Hotline**

(24 hours) 617-492-7273

[www.barcc.org](http://www.barcc.org)

**Women's Health Group, Boston Medical Center**

617-638-7428

<https://www.bmc.org/womens-health>

**The Family Justice Center of Boston**

617-779-2100

<http://www.bphc.org/whatwedo/violence-prevention/Family-Justice-Center/Pages/Family-Justice-Center.aspx>

**Other University Resources**

**Dean of Students**

617-353-4126

[www.bu.edu/dos](http://www.bu.edu/dos)

  
If you need  
to talk to someone  
about sexual assault,  
contact us.

— 24/7 FREE CONFIDENTIAL CARE —

**617-353-SARP (7277)**

 Sexual Assault Response & Prevention Center

You don't have to go through this alone.

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**University Service Center**

617-358-1818

[www.bu.edu/usc](http://www.bu.edu/usc)

**Residence Life**

617-353-4380

[www.bu.edu/reslife](http://www.bu.edu/reslife)

**Human Resources**

[www.bu.edu/hr](http://www.bu.edu/hr)

Charles River Campus: 617-353-2380

Medical Campus: 617-638-4610

**Equal Opportunity Office/Title IX Coordinator**

617-353-9286

[www.bu.edu/eoo](http://www.bu.edu/eoo)

**Dean of Marsh Chapel**

617-353-3560

[www.bu.edu/chapel](http://www.bu.edu/chapel)

**Danielsen Institute** (pastoral counseling)

617-353-3047

[www.bu.edu/danielsen](http://www.bu.edu/danielsen)

**Scarlet Safe Walk**

617-353-4877

<http://www.bu.edu/dos/late-night-transportation/>

**Faculty & Staff Assistance**

617-353-5381

[www.bu.edu/fsao](http://www.bu.edu/fsao)

**Health & Wellness Educator**

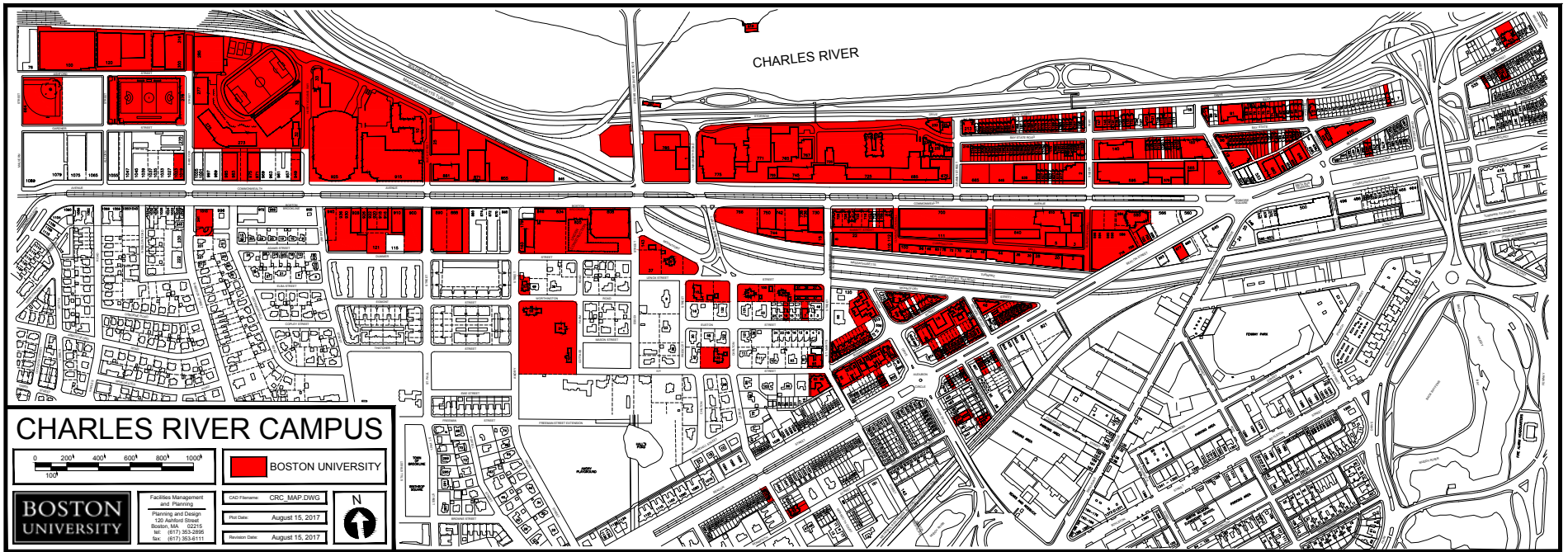
617-358-5362

[www.bu.edu/shs/wellness](http://www.bu.edu/shs/wellness)

**Environmental Health & Safety**

617-353-4094

[www.bu.edu/ehs](http://www.bu.edu/ehs)





**Color Key For Buildings**

- BU Owned
- BMC Owned
- BU / BMC Owned
- BU Leased
- BU / BMC Leased
- City Owned
- BMC Leased

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 815 Albany Street - Medical-Student Residence</li> <li>2 815 Albany Street - Parcel 2B</li> <li>3 815 Albany Street - Parcel 1</li> <li>4 801 Albany Street</li> <li>5 35 Northampton - South Block</li> <li>6 801 Mass Ave - Crosstown</li> <li>7 850 Harrison Ave. - Yawkey</li> <li>8 771 Albany Street - Dowling Bldg</li> <li>9 840 Harrison Ave. - Menino</li> <li>10 820 Harrison Ave - FGH</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11 800 Harrison Ave - BCD</li> <li>12 830 Harrison Ave - Moakley</li> <li>13 85 East Concord Street</li> <li>14 725 Albany Street - Shapiro Ambulatory Care Center</li> <li>15 784 Mass. Ave. - Mallory Building</li> <li>16 Boston Public Health Commission</li> <li>17 756 Harrison Street - Maxwell Finland Bldg</li> <li>18 750 Albany Street - Power Plant</li> <li>19 71 East Concord Street - K Bldg- Conte</li> <li>20 72 East Concord Street - L Annex</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>21 72 East Concord Street - L Bldg - Instructional (SOM)</li> <li>22 80 East Concord Street - A Bldg</li> <li>23 72 East Concord Street - R Bldg - Housman</li> <li>24 715 Albany Street - T Bldg - Talbot (SPH)</li> <li>25 710 Albany Street Parking Garage - 1000 Spaces</li> <li>26 761 Harrison Ave. - Harrison Court</li> <li>27 750 Harrison Ave. - B Building - Robinson</li> <li>28 746 Harrison Ave. - C Building - Colamore</li> <li>29 10 Stoughton Street - V Building - Vose</li> <li>30 65 East Newton Street - Beta Tron</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>31 66 East Newton Street - D Building - Old Evans</li> <li>32 75 East Newton Street - E Building - Evans Building</li> <li>33 85 East Newton St. - M Bldg - Fuller</li> <li>34 700 Albany Street - CABR - W Building</li> <li>35 670 Albany Street</li> <li>36 732 Harrison Ave - Preston</li> <li>37 720 Harrison Ave. - Doctors Office Bldg</li> <li>38 720 Harrison Ave. - DOB Parking Garage</li> <li>39 88 East Newton Street - Newton Pavillion</li> <li>40 100 East Newton Street - G Bldg - Goldman (SDM)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>41 650 Albany Street - EBRC - X Building</li> <li>42 BioSquare Parcel E - Parking</li> <li>43 615 Albany Street - N Bldg - Naval Blood</li> <li>44 609 Albany Street - J Bldg - Dermatology</li> <li>45 620 Albany Street - NEIDL</li> <li>46 660 Harrison Avenue - Gambro</li> <li>47 575 Albany Street - Perkin Elmer</li> <li>48 600 Albany Street - BioSquare Parcel G</li> <li>49 610 Albany Street Parking Garage - 1400 Spaces</li> <li>50 560 Harrison Avenue</li> </ul> |
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**BOSTON UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER**  
**BOSTON UNIVERSITY, BOSTON MEDICAL CENTER, BIOSQUARE**

ISD & BFD Map  
 Construction-Building Permit Address  
 April 6, 2016

## Appendix A

Included below is information about University programming and initiatives intended to increase the University community's knowledge and to prevent violence and promote safety, including bystander intervention awareness and other prevention programs intended to prevent dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

Program Name / Description	Type	Frequency	Target
<b>Undergraduate Student Orientation</b>		Annually to new students	Students
The University's summer and winter orientation programs for approximately 4,600 incoming undergraduate students emphasize crime prevention, personal responsibility, and bystander education. Representatives from Student Health Services, the Sexual Assault Response & Prevention Center, Judicial Affairs, and the Boston University Police discuss strategies for keeping the newest members of the BU community healthy and safe. This panel presentation includes the following:	Orientation covers a wide array of topics summarized below.		
<b>• Orientation/Skits—Sexual Assault Response &amp; Prevention Center (SARP)</b>		Annually to new students	Students
Four skits written and performed by SARP student ambassadors depict situations new students might encounter. The "party scene" illustrates the role pro-social bystanders can play in preventing sexual misconduct. In the "catcalling scene," students are encouraged to come forward and report sexual harassment. The third skit depicts students' response to an escalating argument between dating partners and incorporates an interactive polling system to encourage positive intervention. The fourth skit is an opportunity for the student-actors to speak to the audience about the experience of writing and performing the first three skits.	Primary rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness / Prosocial Bystander		
<b>• Orientation/Overview of Policies &amp; Title IX—Judicial Affairs</b>		Annually to new students	Students
The Judicial Affairs' presentation outlines expectations for behavior, consequences for misconduct, and key University policies (e.g., alcohol, drugs, threats, physical and interpersonal violence, hazing, prohibition against weapons). The presentation, with an accompanying video, also promotes fire, pedestrian, and bike safety. In a separate follow-up presentation, Judicial Affairs provides a brief review of sexual harassment and sexual misconduct support services and reporting options, both on and off campus.	Primary rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness / Crime Prevention / Drug and alcohol abuse education		
<b>• Orientation/Boston University Police (BUPD)—Crime Prevention Tips</b>		Annually to new students	Students
This presentation by the Deputy Chief provides an overview of various programs, services, and reporting options offered by BUPD, including the Rape Aggression Defense program, blue light phones, the University's emergency notification system, Instagram, Twitter, and Text-a-Tip.	Campus security procedures and practices / looking out for one another		



<b>Graduate Student Orientations</b>		Annually	Students
Graduate and professional school orientations are held each year. These sessions provide information on crime prevention, drug and alcohol abuse, looking out for their fellow students, and sexual assault prevention. Some of the programs are described below:			
<b>• Graduate Orientations—Sexual Misconduct Information Sessions</b>		Annually	Students
At each of the graduate and professional school orientations, the University's Title IX Coordinator or designee discusses Title IX, sexual misconduct, and the University's policies and resources.	Sexual misconduct / campus security procedures and practices		
<b>• Graduate Orientation—Crime Prevention Tips</b>		Annually	Students
BUPD or Public Safety personnel presents personal crime prevention strategies to students both on and off campus. Students are encouraged to "see something, say something," to look out for their fellow students, and to pay close attention to BU Alert messages sent to notify them about crime and emergency situations.	Campus security procedures and practices / crime prevention		
<b>Alcohol EDU</b>		Annually	First year Students
This evidence-based course is designed to educate students about risky drinking and its effects. AlcoholEdu for College® is confidential and non-judgmental and is a key part of Boston University's comprehensive alcohol prevention program.	Alcohol abuse prevention / encourage students to look out for one another		
<b>• Alcohol Education Course</b>		Ongoing	Students (mandated)
The 90-minute interactive Alcohol Education Class uses a harm-reduction approach to educate students about the effects of alcohol, encourage personal reflection, and promote lower-risk strategies to reduce alcohol-related harms. The class has been developed based on over 20 years of research funded by the NIAAA. Students who have a first-time low-level alcohol violation are referred to attend.	Alcohol Education		
<b>• Marijuana Education Class</b>		Ongoing	Students (mandated)
The 90-minute interactive Marijuana Education Class uses a harm-reduction approach to educate students about the effects of marijuana, encourage personal reflection, and promote lower-risk strategies to reduce drug-related harms. The class has been developed based on over 20 years of research funded by the NIAAA. Students who have a first-time low-level marijuana violation are referred to attend.	Drug Education		

<b>• Boston University Collegiate Recovery Program</b>		Ongoing	Students in Recovery
The BU Collegiate Recovery Program (CRP) offers services, support, and fun for students in recovery from substance use disorders. The CRP helps BU students get and stay sober so they can succeed in their academic, social, and personal pursuits.	Recovery support		
<b>FY (First Year) 101</b>		Ongoing / Upon Request	Students
FY101 is a unique, seminar-style course that provides the opportunity to explore issues relevant to new undergraduate students at Boston University. Students learn to explore and practice strategies involving a wide range of relevant issues to foster campus involvement and personal well-being including alcohol abuse education modules. SARP teaches a module of FY101 that focuses on consent, titled "Sex is Like Pizza."	Drug- or alcohol-abuse education		
<b>BASICS</b>		Ongoing	Students
BASICS is a brief clinical intervention for substance abuse available to all BU Students.	Drug- or alcohol-abuse education		
<b>e-Checkup to Go</b>		Ongoing	Students
A personalized, web-based feedback tool for alcohol and marijuana.	Drug- or alcohol-abuse education		
<b>Resident Assistant Training</b>		Annually	Students (RAs)
Residence Assistants learn how to effectively respond to situations they may encounter in their duties including how to recognize and prevent sexual violence.	Alcohol, students in distress, sexual violence prevention		
<b>CHOICES Education Classes</b>		Ongoing	Students
The CHOICES® Alcohol Education class teaches students practical strategies for drinking in a less risky way. Students discuss their own expectations about alcohol and identify behaviors that can promote or prevent dangerous drinking. Students who have been adjudicated for violating BU's drug and alcohol policies are mandated to participate. The CHOICES classes cover both alcohol and marijuana.	Drug- or alcohol-abuse education		
<b>Sexual Misconduct Awareness Brochure</b>			
The University widely distributes an informational brochure entitled "Have You Experienced Sexual Assault, Sexual Harassment, Stalking, or Domestic or Dating Violence?" to students and employees throughout campus. It provides awareness of these issues and helpful resources to contact if needed. The brochure is also available online at <a href="http://www.bu.edu/shs/files/2017/08/title-IX-brochure.pdf">http://www.bu.edu/shs/files/2017/08/title-IX-brochure.pdf</a>	Ongoing rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness		

<b>New Employee Orientation</b>		Upon hire	Faculty & Staff
At new employee orientation, all new Boston University employees are directed to review the University's policies and procedures and are required to confirm in writing that they have read the Equal Opportunity and Sexual Misconduct policies. There is also a presentation from the BU Police on campus safety and the Clery Act.	Primary rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness		
<b>Faculty &amp; Staff Assistance Office Programs</b>		Ongoing	Faculty & Staff
The BU Faculty & Staff Assistance Office offers free, confidential consultation and counseling to Boston University employees who may be experiencing difficulties that affect their personal lives or work. This office helps BU faculty and staff and their families with a range of issues, including alcohol and drug abuse, stress, depression, relationship and family concerns, sexual misconduct, harassment, interpersonal violence, and abuse.	Drug or alcohol abuse / domestic violence / stress and depression		
<b>Healthy Relationships Workshop</b>		Annually	Students, Faculty & Staff
SARP hosts a Domestic Violence Awareness workshop about healthy relationships. Participants learn what constitutes a healthy relationship and how to recognize trouble signs of domestic violence. Crisis Intervention Counselors at SARP navigate these issues and discuss ways to get help for oneself or others.	Ongoing rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness		
<b>Sexual Assault Awareness Week</b>		Annually	Students, Faculty & Staff
The BU community observes Sexual Assault Awareness Week, an annual nationwide campaign that highlights the importance of public awareness of sexual assault and prevention. Campus events have included discussions, performances, and a screening of <i>The Hunting Ground</i> , a powerful documentary about sexual assault on college campuses. The weeklong observance concludes with the Take Back the Night Rally.	Ongoing rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness		
<b>Educational Programming Concerning Sexual Health</b>		Multiple events each semester / online	Students
A number of educational workshops and programs that are ongoing throughout the year focusing on promoting healthy sexual relationships, understanding consent in a sexual context, interpersonal violence, and sexual health.	Ongoing rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness		

<b>Step Up Step In BU Bystander Training</b>		Multiple events each semester	Students
Step Up Step In BU (SUSIBU) is an interactive bystander training session to raise awareness about sexual assault and what we as members of the BU community can do to help prevent it. SUSIBU bystander training is a requirement by the Student Activities Office for recognized student organizations accepting funding from the Allocations Board. Each organization must send at least one person with allocation responsibilities to a training session.	Ongoing rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness / look out for one another		
<b>Rape Aggression Defense (RAD)</b>		Multiple classes each semester	Female students, Faculty & Staff
Specifically for women who wish to physically protect themselves against rape and other forms of violence. The 16-hour or the 20-hour course is taught by certified BUPD RAD instructors. The program trains women in basic self-defense and offers them viable options when confronted with various threats of violence.	Ongoing rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness		
<b>Domestic and Dating Violence Prevention</b>		Ongoing / Upon Request	Students, Faculty & Staff
The Boston University Police Department provides a full range of services addressing domestic and dating violence issues, including obtaining restraining orders, safety planning, and criminal prosecution.	Ongoing rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness		
<b>Sexual Misconduct: The Role of Faculty and Staff in Preventing, Identifying, and Reporting</b>		Biannually	Faculty & Staff
Faculty and staff learn how to recognize sexual misconduct, have an appropriate conversation with anyone who reports sexual misconduct, help by directing the survivor to University or off-campus resources, and report the incident to proper authorities.	Ongoing rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness / campus security procedures and practices		
<b>Sexual Misconduct Training in the Workplace</b>		Ongoing / Upon Request	Faculty & Staff
In addition to the biannual online training, the University's Title IX Coordinator and Director of the University's Equal Opportunity Office provides a variety of training and educational programming concerning sexual misconduct upon request. Participants learn to recognize sexual misconduct in the workplace and how to appropriately report and manage complaints.	Sexual Misconduct Training		

<b>Prevention of Sexual Assault and Harassment (DOD)</b>		Annually	Students (ROTC)
At the beginning of each academic year, each ROTC class conducts a session on the prevention of sexual assault and harassment using programming provided by the Department of Defense. In addition, the Army ROTC program requires freshmen cadets to review a two-hour video training session on the prevention of sexual assault and harassment at the beginning of each academic year. Equal Employment Opportunity conducts an in-person Title IX class for cadets at the beginning of every academic year.	Ongoing rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness		
<b>The Common Thread Podcast</b>		Ongoing / online	Students, Faculty & Staff
The Thurman Center, a division of the Dean of Students Office, is committed to preserving the legacy of Dr. Howard Thurman by breaking barriers of divisiveness and building community. The <i>Common Thread</i> podcast explores a variety of issues, including sexuality, sexual health, and University resources concerning sexual misconduct.	Ongoing rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking prevention and awareness		
<b>Courageous Conversations</b>		Ongoing / online	Students, Faculty & Staff
Courageous Dialogues is a Thurman Center program focused on small group discussions to build meaningful relationships among participants. The program focuses on issues of race, class, gender, and sexuality, and is designed to equip individuals with skills necessary to engage in sensitive dialogue around these topics.	Tolerance and community building		
<b>Town Hall Meetings</b>		Quarterly	Students, Faculty & Staff
Held throughout the academic year, town hall meetings give students an opportunity to meet with the Chief of Police & Executive Director of Public Safety and the Dean of Students to discuss safety and security on campus. Town hall meetings are announced on the Police Department website.	Crime Prevention Programs		
<b>Safety Week</b>		Annually (Fall)	Students, Faculty & Staff
BUPD sponsors Safety Week each fall semester. Held at the George Sherman Union, Safety Week includes RAD demonstrations, computer and bicycle registration, and information and resources about a number of other safety issues, including alcohol.	Crime Prevention Programs		

<b>Group Meetings</b>		Ongoing	Students
Members of the Boston University Police Department meet regularly with student groups, including fraternities and sororities, to foster good relations and to discuss safety issues or any topics that may come up.	Crime Prevention Programs		
<b>Informational and Educational Materials</b>		Ongoing	Students, Faculty & Staff
The Boston University Police Department prepares and disseminates information about safety and crime prevention, including tips for safety in the dorms and suggestions for steps to take if you are the victim of a crime. The Medical Campus Public Safety Department prepares and disseminates a variety of informational brochures providing general guidance for safety and crime prevention, including bicycle theft, "street sense," and identity theft.	Crime Prevention Programs		
<b>Office Watch Program</b>		Ongoing / Upon Request	Faculty & Staff
Office Watch is a crime prevention program similar in philosophy to that of a neighborhood watch program. The goal of Office Watch is to reduce the opportunities to commit crime by enlisting a cooperative effort between the Boston University community and the Boston University Police Department. This mission is accomplished by establishing a formal network of communication between University departments, their personnel, and the University Police.	Crime Prevention Programs		
<b>Public Safety Meet &amp; Greet: Medical Student Residence</b>		Annually	Students (MED)
An evening of pizza and public safety presentations welcoming new and returning medical students to the Medical Student Residence facility. The Department of Public Safety, Boston University Police, Boston Police, and Transit Police are all represented and engage students in conversation about personal safety, campus security procedures, reporting crimes, and the importance of looking out for one another in the busy urban environment of the Medical Campus.	Campus security procedures and practices		

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## Appendix B - Selected Massachusetts State Definitions

In accordance with the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013, the University has provided below the definitions under Massachusetts law of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking and consent.

Please note that the state law definitions may differ from the definitions in the University's Sexual Misconduct Policy, which applies to the University's internal processing of complaints.

### Domestic Violence / Dating Violence

Massachusetts does not have one state definition of domestic or dating violence. Under Massachusetts law, a person suffering abuse from a family or household member may seek a restraining order. Abuse includes: attempting to cause or causing physical harm; placing another in fear of imminent serious physical harm; or causing another to engage involuntarily in sexual relations by force, threat, or duress. Mass. G. L. ch. 209A.

The term "family or household members" includes persons who: (a) are or were married to one another; (b) are or were residing together in the same household; (c) are or were related by blood or marriage; (d) having a child in common regardless of whether they have ever married or lived together; or (e) are or have been in a substantive dating or engagement relationship, which shall be adjudged by district, probate or Boston municipal courts in consideration of the following factors: (1) the length of time of the relationship; (2) the type of relationship; (3) the frequency of interaction between the parties; and (4) if the relationship has been terminated by either person, the length of time elapsed since the termination of the relationship. Mass. G. L. ch. 209A.

### Stalking

Under Massachusetts law, a person who (1) willfully and maliciously engages in a knowing pattern of conduct or series of acts over a period of time directed at a specific person which seriously alarms or annoys that person and would cause a reasonable person to suffer substantial emotional distress, and (2) makes a threat with the intent to place the person in imminent fear of death or bodily injury, shall be guilty of the crime of stalking. Mass. G. L. ch. 265, Section 43. The conduct may include threats made by electronic communications such as email, text messages, Instant message and the like. Stalking may be punished by up to five years in state prison.

Massachusetts also prohibits criminal harassment. Under Massachusetts law, a person who willfully and maliciously engages in a knowing pattern of conduct or series of acts over a period of time directed at a specific person, which seriously alarms that person and would cause a reasonable person to suffer substantial emotional distress, shall be guilty of the crime of criminal

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harassment. Mass. G. L. ch. 265, Section 43A. The conduct may include communications by electronic means, including email, text messages, instant messages and the like.

**Sexual Assault** Massachusetts does not specifically define sexual assault, but rather uses the terms rape and indecent assault and battery.

Rape is defined as having sexual intercourse or unnatural sexual intercourse with a person and compelling such person to submit by force and against his or her will or compelling such person to submit by threat of bodily injury. Mass. G. L. ch. 265, Section 22.

Massachusetts law also prohibits indecent assault and battery, which includes the intentionally having physical contact of a sexual nature with another person, such as the indecent touching of another person's private parts. Mass. G. L. ch. Section 13H.

### **Consent**

The term consent is not specifically defined by Massachusetts law. However, Massachusetts law provides that children under 16, persons that are incapacitated or intoxicated, asleep or mentally impaired can never give consent.



An aerial photograph of a city street, likely in Boston, showing a mix of brick and modern buildings, a multi-lane road with traffic, and a river on the right side. The image is used as a background for contact information.

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