



Northern Illinois University
Department of Police & Public Safety
Clery Act Compliance



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WHAT IS THE CLERY ACT

- On April 5th, 1986, Jeanne Clery, a 19-year-old Lehigh University student was raped and murdered in her residence hall.
- The perpetrator was another student whom she did not know
- The Clery Act requires all colleges and universities that participate in federal financial aid programs to keep and disclose information about crime on and near their respective campuses



THE JEANNE CLERY ACT

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security and Campus Crime Statistics Act codified at 20 USC 1092 (f) as a part of the Higher Education Act of 1965, is a federal law that requires colleges and universities to disclose certain timely and annual information about campus crime and security policies.

THE CLERY ACT REQUIREMENTS

- Publish an Annual Security Report (ASR) by October 1st and report data into the Department of Education online system
 - NIU submitted ASR and data in a timely manner
- Maintain a Daily Crime Log
 - NIU PD maintains a daily crime log available to the public during normal business hours as well as an online police blotter
- Disclose crime statistics for incidents that occur within defined “Clery” geography
 - NIU PD gathered information from Campus Security Authorities (CSA), local law enforcement, and other school officials who have “significant responsibility for student and campus activities.”

THE CLERY ACT REQUIREMENTS CONT.

- Report on crimes in seven major categories
 - Criminal Homicide
 - Sex Offenses
 - Robbery
 - Aggravated Assault
 - Burglary
 - Motor Vehicle Theft
 - Arson
- Disclose the number of unfounded crimes

THE CLERY ACT REQUIREMENTS CONT.

- Also have to disclose statistics on the following categories of arrest or student conduct referrals
 - Liquor Law Violations
 - Drug Law Violations
 - Illegal Weapons Possession
- New additions this year
 - Stalking
 - Dating Violence
 - Domestic Violence

THE CLERY ACT REQUIREMENTS CONT.

- Issue Timely Warnings about Clery Act crimes
 - Pose a serious or ongoing threat to students and employees
 - Warning must reach all members of the community
- Devise an emergency response, notification and testing policy
 - Summary of these are disclosed in the ASR
 - Testing is done with Emergency Notification System
- Compile and publish an Annual Fire Safety Report by October 1st
 - NIU submitted fire safety report in a timely manner
 - Maintained by Environmental Health & Safety
- Enact policies and procedures to handle reports of missing students
 - Summary of these are disclosed in the ASR

CLERY ACT METHODOLOGY

- “Non Campus” refers to property owned or controlled by a recognized student group, such as a fraternity / sorority or off campus space leased by NIU, such as Motorcycle Safety School using space off-campus for their class
- “Public Property” includes city streets and sidewalks immediately adjacent to campus
- Must count:
 - The number of arrest for ALL persons (affiliate & non-affiliate)
 - The number of students referred for administrative action.

2013-2014 CLERY STATISTICAL COMPARISON

	2013 On Campus	2014 On Campus	2013 Non- Campus	2014 Non Campus	2013 Public Property	2014 Public Property	2013 Residential Facilities	2014 Residential Facilities	2013 Total	2014 Total
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex offenses (forcible)	10	10	2	5	0	0	8	9	12	15
Sex offenses (non-forcible)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	2	1	3	0	1	0	1	0	6	1
Burglary	12	9	3	3	0	0	10	8	15	12
Aggravated Assault	8	11	1	4	0	0	5	5	9	15
Motor Vehicle Theft	2	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	4
Arson.	2	5	0	3	0	0	1	0	2	8
Liquor Law Violations (arrests)	20	37	45	15	20	23	7	13	85	75
Liquor Law Violations (referrals)	398	304	20	10	4	1	354	271	422	315
Drug Law Violations (arrests)	20	63	11	15	23	35	10	38	54	113
Drug Law Violations (referrals)	335	394	3	2	7	5	303	361	345	401
Illegal Weapons Possession (arrests)	4	1	2	0	1	1	3	0	7	2
Illegal Weapons Possession (referrals)	3	14	0	0	0	0	3	11	3	14
Stalking	1	5	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	5
Domestic Violence	29	13	3	1	0	0	20	12	32	14
Dating Violence	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	4
Totals	847	872	94	59	56	65	727	732	997	998

SUMMARY OF CHANGES 2013-2014

- Significant decrease in Robberies in 2014
 - Targeted patrols and collaborative response with the DeKalb Police Department led to a decrease in robberies
- Significant increase in Arsons in 2014
 - There was no noted connection between these arson incidents. Two occurred in Founders Library, three at Fraternity Houses, one at Huskie Stadium, one at Watson Hall and one at DuSable Hall
- Significant increase in drug law referrals and arrests in 2013, while alcohol referrals and arrests decreased
 - Collaboration between housing staff, NIU PD and the DeKalb Police have led to increased enforcement of drug offenses. City ordinance tickets are counted as arrests under the Clery Act.
- Reduction in weapon arrests, with an increase in weapon referrals
 - Seven of the twelve referrals occurred out of two incidents. The referrals were for possession of items, not for using them against another person.

IMPACT OF VAWA AMENDMENTS ON THE ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT

- The amendments to the Violence Against Women Act cause the following offenses to be included in the annual security report:
 - Domestic Violence
 - Dating Violence
 - Stalking
- We are finding that as we make more students aware of this policy, we are having increased reporting
- The university's Title IX policy was also updated and added to the Annual Security Report

QUALITY ASSURANCE MEASURES

- Established a new NIU PD “Clery Team”
 - In collaboration with the Office of General Counsel and the Division of Student Affairs & Enrollment Management
- Implementation of Compstat for monthly Clery tracking
 - Quarterly Clery meetings to lock in numbers through the calendar year
- Annual Security Report was reviewed by representatives from Human Resources, Student Affairs and Office of the General Counsel prior to being published
- In collaboration with the Office of the General Counsel, the Campus Security Authority training was updated to reflect recent changes to reporting requirements
- Hiring a Campus Clery Coordinator
 - Search process underway
 - Responsible for collaborating with Human Resources for campus-wide Clery training.
 - Development of a campus “Clery Committee” for policy, training, and quality assurance protocols.

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2014 - 2015

NIU POLICE INITIATIVES

NIU Police & Public Safety Provides.....

- Co-policing initiative (NIUPD & DeKalb City PD)
 - Collaborative policing
 - Officers issue DeKalb Municipal Ordinance Citations for non-affiliate nuisance violations.
 - Established special patrols to engage off-campus parties.
 - Liaison with DeKalb police for criminal investigations that occur off-campus
 - **2014 – violent crime hit a 10 year low in DeKalb**

NIU POLICE INITIATIVES

Community Oriented Policing Strategies (COPS) unit

- Crime prevention education and safety presentations
 - Alcohol awareness
 - Criminal sexual assault prevention presentation
- Proactive enforcement of sexual assault contributors
 - Underage drinking and controlled substance distribution

Crime Prevention Officer

- Communiversy Safety Task Force
 - Identity Theft Initiative (Shred Event)
- Citizens Police Academy (*Coming Soon!*)
- Residence Hall Neighborhood Watch (*Coming Soon!*)

COMMUNITY SAFETY AWARENESS

Rape Aggression Defense (RAD)

- Self defense training program for women
- 12-hour course
- Offered free to all NIU students, faculty, and staff
- Trains participants in techniques for defending themselves against attacks and attempted abduction

Greek liaison program

- Partnership with fraternities / sororities
- Information sharing and prevention education



COMMUNITY SAFETY AWARENESS

A.L.I.C.E. Campus Community Training

- Teaches students, staff, faculty on how to respond to an active threat on campus.
- **ALERT** - notify the people within the danger zone about the life threatening risk
- **LOCKDOWN** - secure in place but prepare to counter or evacuate
- **INFORM** - relay continuous, up-to-date, accurate information
- **COUNTER** - challenge the attacker by any means, including throwing items to fighting. This is the last resort.
- **EVACUATE** - remove yourself from danger, when it is safe



CAMPUS-WIDE TRAINING

Emergency Management and Planning

- Multi-jurisdictional full-scale emergency response exercise.
- Incorporated President Baker and Vice Presidents for Emergency Operations Center (EOC) familiarization.
- Largest emergency response training exercise in Illinois history.
- Developing an Emergency Management Internship Program



NIU POLICE TRAINING

NIU Police & Public Safety provides.....

- Trained Detectives that are state certified in sexual assault response and investigation
 - Cross trained in Title IX investigations.
- Trained Crime Scene Technicians that are state certified in crime scene processing
- Department training on:
 - Cultural Sensitivity & Awareness
 - Aggression Response
 - Rifles



NIU POLICE RESOURCES

NIU Police & Public Safety provides.....

- Huskie Student Patrol
 - **Increased student staff by 10**
 - Offer walking escorts on campus during late night hours
 - Direct connection to police via radio
- Huskie Safe Line
 - 7 days a week (10 pm – 5:30 AM)
 - Driven by trained NIUPD Security Guards
 - 4 vans dedicated to routes (GPS coming soon)
 - **Purchasing a slightly used small passenger bus with grant award.**

NIU POLICE RESOURCES

NIU Police & Public Safety provides.....

- Emergency Notification System
 - **Upgrading system for integration with social media.**
 - Improved Time Warning protocols with enhanced safety tips when warnings are issued.
- Police and Public Safety Website
 - Improved navigation
 - Higher quality information and resources
 - **Multimedia rich with integration of video content about campus safety**

QUESTIONS....