

Ringling College of Art and Design

2026 Annual Security and Fire Safety Report

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This information is provided in compliance with federal law, known as the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act. It contains the required crime and fire statistics for the calendar years 2023, 2024, 2025 and the policies and procedures for the academic year 2026-2027.

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INTRODUCTION

TO THE RINGLING COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN COMMUNITY:

Thank you for taking time to review our Annual Security and Fire Safety Report. This report is published in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act), the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008, and the 2013 Reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). This report includes statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by Ringling College, and on public property within or immediately adjacent to the campus. This report also includes fire safety policies and statistics along with emergency notification procedures.

Ringling College is nestled on over 53 acres in the city of Sarasota, FL. This location allows for easy access to many area attractions including beaches, fabulous local eateries and many historic landmarks. This provides a wonderful opportunity for our students to explore the best of Florida's Suncoast.

The Ringling College Office of Public Safety promotes a culture of safety by providing assorted safety trainings throughout the year to the whole community. The department also encourages everyone to be mindful of their surroundings and to report any suspicious and criminal activity through one of the various reporting methods listed.

The Ringling College Office of Public Safety continually strives for excellence in the execution and delivery of our public safety services to provide all members of the Ringling College community a safe environment to live, work and most importantly learn. On behalf of the Ringling College Office of Public Safety I wish everyone a wonderful time while at the College.

Sincerely,

James T. Gilman

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Director of Public Safety

BACKGROUND

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act) is a federal law that requires all colleges and universities to annually disclose information about crime on and around their campuses. The act is named in memory of Jeanne Clery, a 19-year-old Lehigh College first-year student who was assaulted and murdered in her residence hall room on April 5, 1986. The Annual Security & Fire Safety Report (ASR) is prepared to meet the requirements of the Clery Act and provide pertinent safety information and resources to the greater College community. College representatives from numerous departments collaborate in preparing the ASR including the Office of Public Safety and Dean of Students Office. This annual report includes those current College policies and procedures identified by the Clery Act, which demonstrate the safety and security of community members at the College. The statistics reported represent the three most recent reporting periods, calendar years 2023, 2024, and 2025. Also included is the Fire Safety Report for 2023, 2024, and 2025. Safety on the College campus is a natural source of concern for parents, students, and College employees. Education, the business of the College, can take place only in an environment in which each student and employee feels safe and secure. The Ringling College of Art and Design recognizes this and employs a number of security measures to protect the members of this community.

OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The mission of the Ringling College of Art and Design Office of Public Safety, is to provide the entire campus community with a safe and harmonious atmosphere in which to learn, live and grow. The Office of Public Safety accomplishes this through robust community engagement, effective communication, campus wide partnerships, professionalism, pride and unmatched ethics and integrity.

The Ringling College Department of Public Safety remains steadfast in its core values of community engagement, ethics, integrity, professionalism, diversity, respect and service to the community to accomplish its mission while remaining mindful of the ever-changing needs of the community.

OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY OVERVIEW AND DEPARTMENT: Authority

Ringling College Office of Public Safety is located on the first level of the Kimbrough Building and provides protection and service to the College community by foot, motorized carts, and vehicular patrol 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Public Safety is composed of a Director, Assistant Director/Technology Specialist, and public safety and communications officers. They are charged with the responsibility of ensuring federal, state, and local laws, as well as College policies and procedures are obeyed. Officers respond to emergencies and calls for general assistance; respond to fire and burglar alarms; lock and unlock campus facilities according to schedules; monitor campus activities; and coordinate response efforts in the event of an incident or emergency.

The Public Safety Office works directly with various campus offices to address security and safety concerns associated with lighting, landscaping, environmental safety, and life safety issues. Once a concern is noted, the Office of Public Safety forwards the information to the appropriate department for corrective action.

Ringling College is located in an urban environment and the Office of Public Safety constantly considers a variety of safety initiatives in new construction or renovation planning. Initiatives may include, but not be limited to, lighting, video surveillance, electronic access control, and crime prevention through environmental design techniques to provide the highest level of safety for our students, faculty, and staff.

Public Safety Officers are not commissioned law enforcement officials and do not possess the authority to make arrests. The jurisdiction of Public Safety Officers is limited to properties owned or controlled by the College. Public Safety Officers receive training in first aid, CPR/AED, and fire safety. Criminal background checks are conducted on all officers as well as pre-employment education level verification, previous employment history, and motor vehicle verification checks.

The Office of Public Safety does not have any written “memorandum of understanding” (MOU) agreements with local and state law enforcement agencies for response or investigation of crimes but maintains strong working relationships with the Sarasota Police Department, the Sarasota County Fire Department, and other state and regional law enforcement/emergency services providers.

Ringling College of Art and Design occasionally contracts with the Sarasota Police Department to provide commissioned armed law enforcement officers to patrol the campus or to staff special events. Additionally, the College on occasion will contract with an outside security vendor to provide supplemental security coverage.

REPORTING CRIMES AND EMERGENCIES PROMPTLY

To help provide a safe and secure environment, all members of the Ringling College community, including campus visitors, are expected, requested, and encouraged to accurately and promptly report all crimes, emergencies, and public safety related incidents to the Office of Public Safety or the appropriate police agency. Reporting is strongly encouraged, even if the victim of a crime elects to, or is unable to (due to physical and mental incapacitation), make such a report. Reporting may be accomplished by contacting Public Safety directly at 941-359-7500, in person at the Kimbrough Building (Communications Center), or via the Ringling Safe App. If there is an actual emergency requiring police, fire or medical response, please call 9-1-1 from a campus phone. In addition, blue light assistance towers and red emergency phones are located on campus. These phones automatically ring to the Public Safety Communications Center. By promptly reporting all criminal offenses described in the law, it will ensure inclusion in the annual crime statistics and will aid in providing timely warning notices to the community, when appropriate.

Crimes can be reported to the following department on campus:

- Office of Public Safety, Verman Kimbrough Building, First Floor 2700
North Tamiami Trail
941-359-7500

If you are a victim of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, you are encouraged to report the incident to the Title IX Coordinators:

- **Title IX Coordinator**
Lauren Frasser
Office Location: Ulla Searing Student Center, Second Floor
941-309-4035 lfrasser@ringling.edu
- **Deputy Title IX Coordinator**
Darren Mathews, Assistant Vice President and Director of Human Resources
Office Location: Verman Kimbrough Building, First Floor
941-359-7619 dmathews@ringling.edu
- **Deputy Title IX Coordinator**
Dr. Elcin Haskollar – Associate Dean of Students for Student Success
Office location: Ulla Searing Student Center, Second Floor
941-309-4023 ehaskoll@ringling.edu

If you are not comfortable reporting a crime to Public Safety, you are encouraged to make a report to the following Campus Security Authorities:

- Senior Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students, Ulla Searing Student Center, Second Floor 941-359-7510
- Associate Dean of Students and Title IX Coordinator, Ulla Searing Student Center, Second Floor 941-309-4035
- Office of Housing and Residence Life, Goldstein Residence Hall, 941-309-4411
- Office of Student Life, Ulla Searing Hall, Second Floor 941-309-4016

Public Safety Communications Officers are available 24 hours per day at 941-359-7500 to answer your call. If you are unsure what you have witnessed or experienced is a crime, please contact the Office of Public Safety and we will assist you with your situation. In response to a call, Communications Officers will take the required action, either dispatching an officer to your location, asking you to come to our office, or assisting you in contacting another agency such as the Sarasota Police Department. Response time may be affected by various factors, such as the number and location of available personnel and/or their involvement at the time a report is received. Response to an incident may also involve other personnel, such as Office of Housing and Residence Life staff in an incident of a drug violation in a residential hall, members from the Counseling Center in the case of a sexual assault, and/or an outside police agency or other agencies if an incident requires specialized abilities beyond the capabilities of Public Safety. To contact Sarasota Police Department, who have law enforcement jurisdiction covering the Ringling campus, please dial 9-1-1.

Criminal and policy violation reports involving students are reviewed by the Office of Student Life for potential conduct action. If assistance is required from the Sarasota Police Department or the Sarasota County Fire Department, a Public Safety Officer will contact the appropriate unit.

IMPORTANT RESOURCES

Office of Public Safety	941-359-7500 (emergency) 941-309-4121(non-emergency)
Security Transports	941-309-4121
Office of Residence Life	941-309-4411
Student Life	941-359-7505
Title IX	Coordinator: 941-309-4035
Student Health Center	941-309-4000
Peterson Counseling Center	941-893-2855
Human Resources	941-359-7619
EAP Program	1-855-365-4754

Facilities Operations	941-359-7635
Institutional Technology	941-359-7633

Emergency Phones On-Campus

Blue light assistance towers are located on-campus in parking lots and along walkways. The blue light assistance towers include phones which provide a 24-hour direct phone link to the Public Safety Center. Each tower has two activation buttons: one for "information" and one for "emergency." When the blue light assistance tower is activated by using the "emergency" button, the constantly burning blue light at the top of the tower flashes. A security camera is focused on each blue light assistance tower, enabling the Communications Officer on duty to see the caller while talking to the individual on the phone. These blue lights assistance towers are not restricted to emergency situations and may be used for non-emergency purposes.

Most classrooms and other areas have red emergency phones that also dial directly to the Public Safety Communications Center. Both of these devices can also be used to access Security Transports.

How to Activate the Blue Light Assistance Towers

- Step 1: Push either the Emergency or Information Button.
- Step 2: A call is immediately placed to the Office of Public Safety.
- Step 3: Speak clearly.
- Step 4: State your emergency or question to the Communications Officer. Step
- 5: Follow the Communications Officer's instructions.

When speaking to the Public Safety Communications Officer, speak in a calm and clear manner while providing as much detail as possible related to the emergency or your non-emergency request. The Public Safety Communications Officer will send Public Safety personnel and/or other emergency responders to your location based on the information you provide.

If you are in immediate danger, or are being followed, activate the nearest blue light assistance tower and if necessary, keep moving activating additional blue light assistance towers as you proceed to a safe location to call 941-359-7500. A security camera is trained on each of the blue light assistance towers so that the Public Safety Communications Officer on duty will have a visual as well as verbal contact with the user. The location of each blue light assistance tower is also recorded once a button is activated.

The Office of Public Safety tests the blue light assistance towers on a regular basis to assure operational compliance. Anyone experiencing a problem regarding the condition and/or use of the blue light assistance towers should contact the Public Safety Communications Center immediately by calling 941-309-4121.

Contacting Student Life, Housing and Residence Life, Student Health and Counseling Center Staff

Student Life, Housing and Residence Life, Student Health Center, and Peterson Counseling Center staff members are always available to students. Student Life/Housing and Residence Life have a professional on-call staff person available 24 hours a day. The Peterson Counseling Center also maintains a crisis counselor available 24 hours per day by phone and during College business hours.

- The Student Health Center (SHC), located at 2712 Old Bradenton Road, is open Monday through Friday from 8:00am-4:30pm.
- Student Life/Housing and Residence Life has a professional staff member available 24 hours per day. During College business hours of 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., call 941-309-4411 or 941-359-7509. Outside of business hours, call Public Safety at 941-309-4121.

SECURITY AWARENESS AND CRIME PREVENTION

The Ringling College of Art and Design Office of Public Safety encourages everyone to be aware of their environment, stay alert, report suspicious activities, take precautions, and report all crimes/incidents. By being proactive, you can play an important role in not only protecting yourself, but also helping others to be safe. With your help, the Office of Public Safety can provide a safe educational environment in which the College community members can excel.

Periodically during the academic year, the Office of Public Safety, in cooperation with other College organizations and offices, will present crime prevention awareness sessions on topics such as active assailant, frauds and scams targeted at college students, residence hall security, sexual assault, stalking, theft prevention, and personal safety trainings.

The programs outlined below if practiced could possibly reduce the odds of you falling victim to a crime. Take a moment to review the programs so you will be better prepared to stay safe.

During new student orientation and throughout the year, students are informed about a variety of services offered by the Office of Public Safety. Crime prevention programs are offered on a continual basis. Additional safety tips are available on the [Public Safety webpage](#).

Security Transport Service

The Office of Public Safety is available to provide safety transports to all Ringling College of Art and Design students, faculty, and staff during the hours of darkness upon request.

The Security Transport Service is provided for the purpose of safety and security to all locations within the Office of Public Safety patrol area. The primary goal of the security transport service is to allow safe travel from one location to another with a greater sense of security.

Call 941-309-4121 to arrange for the transport or request additional information.

In the event of an emergency, call 941-359-7500.

Identification Cards

Faculty, and staff are issued identification cards for the purpose of entering campus buildings and events, as well as to access applicable residential space. It is the responsibility of the ID card holder to report any ID

card that fails to operate correctly, is lost and/or stolen, immediately to the Residential Life Office or the Office of Public Safety.

In September 2020, the College implemented a policy requiring all students, faculty, and staff to visibly display their College ID card while on campus.

Campus Housing

Ringling College provides on-campus housing in our residence halls, which include: Goldstein Hall, the fourth and fifth floors of the Ulla Searing Student Center, the second and third floors of the Keating Center, Bayou Village Apartments, Quad Apartments, the Cove Housing Complex, Bridge Apartments, Greensboro Hall, Family Housing Complex and a number of single-family type houses located on the perimeter of the campus. Students are assigned on-campus housing based on a lottery system. All on-campus residential students have the opportunity to request changes in room assignments, which are accommodated on a space-available basis. Ringling College does not provide supervision for off-campus housing.

Resident Assistants, who live in the residence halls, apartments, and houses, are upper-division students who have undergone an extensive selection and training process and are available 24 hours a day to assist students. Resident Assistants are student employees of the Office of Housing and Residence Life. There are also professional Student Life staff and Counselors on-call 24 hours a day for student support and crisis/incident response.

In addition, Public Safety Officers patrol the inside, commons areas of all residence halls and the parking lots and exteriors areas of all apartments and other campus housing. Unauthorized persons are not allowed in those areas and all non-student visitors must be accompanied by a resident student at all times.

Video Security (CCTV System)

The Office of Public Safety strategically deploys a state-of-the-art video security system to record interior and exterior public space areas of the campus. The system provides a deterrent to criminal activity and provides valuable information for investigative purposes. The system is recorded 24 hours a day seven days a week.

ACCESS/MAINTENANCE CONSIDERATIONS FOR CAMPUS FACILITIES AND RESIDENCE HALLS

All College buildings and residence halls are the private property of the Ringling College of Art and Design. Access to campus buildings and grounds is a privilege extended to students, faculty, staff, and visitors. The College encourages an open environment with limited constraints to ensure reasonable protection of all members of the community. Any unauthorized person entering a College building without specific business and permission of the College or a representative of the College is considered to be trespassing. After-hour access to College buildings is determined by the needs of each appropriate department. Once a building has been secured for the evening, only authorized individuals are permitted to enter.

The academic and administrative buildings are open, at a minimum, during normal business hours (not to include holidays). Most facilities have individual hours, and the hours may vary at different times of the year. Access to some of these buildings is controlled by electronic access control after normal business hours (typically 6:30 pm until 7:30 am), and all of these buildings have varied levels of access. Most academic and

administrative buildings do not have a Public Safety Officer assigned to them. However, officers patrol the buildings on a regular basis. For information about the access protocol for a specific building, contact Public Safety at 941-309- 4121.

ACCESS CONTROL

All residential facilities, including the Family Housing unit, are equipped with an electronic access control system on the exterior doors or elevators that are used by students to enter the building. Guests and other visitors may visit residence halls as long as they have been authorized by the Office of Housing and Residence Life. For security purposes, exterior doors, or elevators to residence halls with centralized exterior entrances remain locked 24- hours-a-day and are accessible via individually numbered key fobs or ID cards that can be activated and deactivated as needed. Students are issued keys or access control cards for their rooms inside the residence halls. Access to residence halls is limited to students and their authorized visitors. Residents of all campus owned apartments and houses are issued two keys, one to the exterior door(s) and one to each student's individual bedroom. Strict key and fob control procedures are enforced to ensure maximum student safety in the residence halls. Key control for housing is handled by the Office of Housing and Residence Life.

Ringling is committed to campus safety and security. Exterior lighting and landscape control is a critical part of that commitment. Members of Facilities and Public Safety periodically conduct security surveys to ensure campus lighting is adequate and the landscape appropriately controlled. Officers conduct routine checks of lighting on campus during regular assigned patrol duties. If they observe lights are out or very dim they will initiate a service request for Facilities to repair the problem. We encourage community members to report any deficiency in lighting to Facilities at 941-359-7635 or Public Safety at 941-309-4121. Facilities personnel are also available to respond to calls for service regarding unsafe facility conditions. These conditions may include unsafe steps and handrails, unsafe roadways on campus, and unsecured equipment, etc. Public Safety officers, on a scheduled basis, check the College's blue light assistance towers and red emergency phones, fire extinguishers, sprinkler valves, panic alarms, CCTV systems, AED's etc., and document their findings by completing a work order for any problems they find while checking the equipment. Security procedures used in the maintenance of residential facilities involve coordination between the Housing and Residence Life and Facilities offices. In times of emergency, members of Facilities have permission to enter rooms to make the necessary repairs. Private vendors conducting maintenance work in residential facilities are not allowed access to residence halls without permission from the Facilities office in coordination with Housing and Residence Life.

ANNUAL SAFETY & SECURITY REPORT

Ringling College of Art and Design, in compliance with The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act), and The College and University Security Act of 1988, reports crime statistics annually to its current and prospective students and employees. The report contains statistics for the previous three years pertaining to reported crimes that have occurred on-campus; in certain non-campus buildings or property that is owned or controlled by the College; and on public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

Crime Statistics

The crime statistics are prepared based on information/incidents reported by the campus community, crime reports from the Sarasota Police Department, and student conduct records.

Crimes are reported in the following major categories, with several subcategories as follows.

- Criminal Homicide broken down by:
 - a. Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter
 - b. Manslaughter by Negligence
- Sexual Assaults broken down by:
 - a. Rape
 - b. Fondling
 - c. Incest
 - d. Statutory Rape
- Robbery
- Aggravated Assault
- Burglary
- Motor Vehicle Theft
- Arson
- Dating Violence
- Stalking
- Domestic Violence

The Ringling College of Art and Design Office of Public Safety is required to report the following three types of incidents if they result in either an arrest or disciplinary referral:

- Liquor Law Violations
- Drug Law Violations
- Illegal Weapons Possession

If both an arrest and referral are made only the arrest is counted.

Definition of Criminal Offenses

Criminal Homicide:

- **Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter** is defined as the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.
- **Negligent Manslaughter** is defined as the killing of another person through gross negligence.

Sex Offenses:

- **Forcible** is defined as any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent. Forcible sexual acts include forcible rape, forcible sodomy, sexual assault with an object, and forcible fondling.
- **Non-forcible** are incidents of unlawful, non-forcible sexual intercourse. Non-forcible sexual acts include incest and statutory rape.

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

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

Burglary is the unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft.

Motor Vehicle Theft is the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle.

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

Dating Violence means violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors: length of the relationship; the type of relationship; and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship

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

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

Criminal Offenses by Bias includes, by geographic location and by category of prejudice, any of the aforementioned offenses, and any other crime involving bodily injury reported to local police agencies or to

a campus security authority, that manifests evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the perpetrator's bias.

Arrests or Disciplinary Referrals for Illegal Weapons Possession, Liquor Law and Drug/Substance Law Violations

In addition to disclosing statistics for the aforementioned offenses, the *Clery Act* requires institutions to disclose both the number of arrests and the number of persons referred for disciplinary action for illegal weapons possession; drug law violations; and liquor law violations.

Note: Officers of Ringling College of Art and Design Office of Public Safety do not have the authority to make an arrest. The Sarasota Police Department may make an arrest depending on the severity of an incident. Arrests may be reported to the Office of Public Safety if the arresting authority determines that the individual is a Ringling College student. In most cases, individuals found in violation of illegal weapons possession, liquor law violations and minor drug violations involving small quantities are referred to the Office of Student Life for formal disciplinary action.

The statistics are broken down geographically as follows:

Reportable Geographical Locations

The **Clery Act** requires Ringling College of Art and Design to disclose statistics for offenses committed in certain specific geographic locations. The specific locations are defined as follows:

On Campus - Any building or property owned or controlled by the College within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area and used by Ringling College of Art and Design in direct support of, or in a manner related to, Ringling College of Art and Design educational purposes, including residence halls; and

Any Building or property that is within or reasonably contiguous to on-campus property of this definition, that is owned by the College but controlled by another person, is frequently used by students, and supports College purposes (such as food or other retail vendor).

Residence Halls – (considered a subset of the “on-campus” category). The number of crimes reported for residence halls or other residential facilities must be less than or equal to the number of reported crimes for the on-campus category.

Non-campus Building or Property - Any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the College; or any building or property owned or controlled by the College that is used in direct support of, or in relation to, the College's educational purposes, is frequently used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the College.

On Public Property - All public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that are within the campus, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. This includes the sidewalk across the street, but does not include property beyond the sidewalk.

Campus Patrol Area

The current Public Safety patrol area approximately includes:

East of North Tamiami Trail to the banks of Whitaker Bayou from 22nd St. to 32nd Street along North Tamiami Trail, then south of Patterson Drive and 31st Street.

East of Whitaker Bayou in the vicinity of Bridge Apartments and the Soundstages and Post Production Facilities.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION

College community members are encouraged to notify the Office of Public Safety of any situation or incident on campus that involves a significant emergency or dangerous situation that may involve an immediate threat to the health and safety of students and/or employees on campus. The Office of Public Safety has the responsibility of responding to, and summoning the necessary resources, to mitigate, investigate, and document any situation that may cause a significant emergency or dangerous situation. In addition, Public Safety has a responsibility to respond to such incidents to determine if the situation does in fact, pose a threat to the community, however other offices such as Facilities, Student Health, etc., may be involved in the confirmation process, depending on the nature of the potential threat. If an immediate threat exists, an institution must follow its emergency notification procedures but is not required to issue a timely warning based on the same circumstances; however, the institution is required to provide adequate follow-up information to the community as needed. If Public Safety, in conjunction with other campus officials (Facilities, Student Health Center, Student Life, etc.) or local first responders (Sarasota Police Department, Sarasota County Fire Department, etc.) confirm there is an emergency or dangerous situation that poses an immediate threat to the health or safety of some or all members of our community, Public Safety and/or designees, will collaborate, if needed, to determine the content of the message and they will initiate some or all of the systems listed below to communicate the threat to the College community or to the appropriate segment of the community, if the threat is limited to a particular building or segment of the population:

- Text messaging
- Phone messaging
- Telephone tree communications
- Campus wide email messages
- Ringling Safe App
- Facebook
- Twitter
- Paper fliers and bulletin board posting
- Person-to-person communication, using personnel from Student Life, Housing and Residence Life and Public Safety
- Website postings
- Two-way radio systems.

ACCESS TO TIMELY INFORMATION - "TIMELY WARNINGS"

In an effort to provide timely notice to the Ringling community, and in event of a crime which may pose a serious or on-going threat to our community, the Office of Public Safety will issue "Timely Warning" crime bulletins to notify members of the community about serious crimes that occur on College designated property (on campus, non -campus, and public property). The Timely Warning requirement applies to Clery Act crimes, and all require a case-by-case assessment as to whether the report presents a serious or continuing threat to the campus community. Timely Warnings are typically issued for the following Uniform Crime Reporting Program (UCR)/National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) crime classifications: murder/non-negligent manslaughter, major incidents of arson, robbery, and sex offenses. Cases of aggravated assault and sex offenses are considered on a case-by-case basis, depending on the facts of the case and the information known by the Office of Public Safety. For example, if an assault occurs between two students who have a disagreement, there may be no on-going threat to other College community members and a Timely Warning Notice would not be distributed. In cases involving sexual assault, they may be reported days, weeks, months or even years after the incident occurred, thus there is no ability to distribute a "timely" warning notice to the community. Sex offenses will be considered on a case-by-case basis depending on when and where the incident occurred, when it was reported, and the amount of information known by the Office of Public Safety. Cases involving property crimes will be assessed on a case-by-case basis and alerts will typically be sent if there is a discernible pattern of crime.

The Public Safety Director or Assistant Public Safety Director reviews all reports to determine if there is an on-going threat to the community and if the distribution of a timely warning is warranted. Timely Warning Notices may also be posted for other crime classifications and locations, as deemed necessary. Public Safety works to collect this information by requesting all campus security authorities (CSA's) and local law enforcement agencies to report crimes in a timely fashion so a Timely Warning can be issued if necessary.

The Public Safety Director or Assistant Public Safety Director will typically draft the Timely Warning. They will review and revise the text as needed then transmit the email containing the Warning to the College community as a blast email. Members of the Communications Office and Senior Leadership may assist with the Timely Warning if needed. Updates to the College community about any particular case resulting in a Timely Warning may also be distributed electronically via blast email or posted on the College website. Public Safety may also use additional methods to distribute the Timely Warning, including using the Campus Emergency Alert System, postings in residence halls, and sending messages to department phones.

It should be noted that an institution is not required to provide a Timely Warning with respect to crimes reported to a pastoral or professional counselor. Additionally, all Timely Warnings will be provided to students and employees in a manner that is timely, that withholds the names of victims as confidential, and that will aid in the prevention of similar occurrences.

Warnings will include the crime or incident, location, description of the perpetrators, time and date of occurrence, and any other information deemed necessary.

Anyone with information warranting a Timely Warning should report the incident to the Office of Public Safety by phone at 941-359-7500, or in person at the Public Safety Office in the Kimbrough Building.

The College's comprehensive Campus Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan includes information about the management of emergency response and operations, emergency operations center (EOC), and communication responsibilities, including the use of electronic and cellular communication. College offices are responsible for developing contingency plans and continuity of operations plans for their staff and areas

of responsibility. The College conducts announced and/or unannounced emergency response drills and exercises each year, such as tabletop exercises, functional exercises, and tests of the emergency notification systems on campus. These tests are designed to assess and evaluate the emergency plans and capabilities of the institution.

Several members of the Office of Public Safety have received training in Incident Command Systems (ICS) and response to critical incidents on a college campus. When a serious incident occurs or emergency exists that causes an immediate threat to the health or safety of students and employees on campus, the first responders to the scene are usually the Office of Public Safety, Sarasota Police Department and/or the Sarasota County Fire Department, when their assistance is necessary. These agencies typically respond and work together to manage the incident. Depending on the nature of the incident, other College offices and local or federal agencies could also be involved in responding to the incident.

EVACUATION & SHELTER IN PLACE

The institution has general evacuation guidelines, in the event that a segment of the campus needs to be evacuated. The plan would be affected by a myriad of factors, including the type of threat, the occupancy of the other buildings and areas of the campus at the time of the incident, etc. Therefore, specific information about a multi-building or area evacuation cannot be shared with the campus community in advance. Ringling expects members of the community to follow the instructions of first responders on the scene, as this type of evacuation would be coordinated on-site.

In some emergencies, you may be instructed to “shelter-in-place”. If an incident occurs and the buildings or areas around you become unstable, or if the air outdoors becomes dangerous due to toxic or irritating substances, it is usually safer to stay indoors. To “shelter-in- place” means to make a shelter of the building that you are in until it is safe to go outside. This means that if an incident occurs and the building you are in is not damaged; stay inside in an interior room until you are told it is safe to come out. If your building is damaged, take your personal belongings (purse, wallet, access cards, etc.) and follow the evacuation procedures for your building (close your door, proceed to the nearest exit, and use the stairs instead of the elevators). Once you have evacuated, seek shelter at the nearest College building quickly. If police or fire department personnel are on the scene, follow their directions.

Shelter in Place

Depending on the circumstances, when the College issues a campus alert calling for a shelter in place, you should:

- Move into or stay inside the nearest building.
- Go into an interior room or office with few windows, if possible.
- Turn off all lights.
- If possible, close and cover all windows and lock doors and turn off ventilation systems (including air conditioning and heat, bathroom, and kitchen exhaust fans).
- If the door has a window, cover it.
- Then, stay away from windows and doors.
- Put cell phones and other electronic devices in silent mode.

- Remain in place until notified by proper College administration officials, Public Safety Officer, or any responding police or fire department personnel.

Evacuation

There may be situations when there is a dangerous condition inside a specific building, and you need to evacuate quickly to ensure your safety. If notified to evacuate, please do so in an orderly fashion, move to a safe area away from the evacuated building, and alert others in your area if possible. In situations when you are ordered to leave an area, be sure to take necessary items such as medications, keys, glasses, and wallets. You may not be able to return to your residence hall, office, or classroom for some time. It is best to be prepared, just in case. Call 941- 309-4121 to arrange for the Security escorts or request additional information. In the event of an emergency, call 941-359-7500.

MISSING STUDENT POLICY

This policy is established by Ringling College of Art and Design in compliance with the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008 and applies to all resident students at the College. For the purposes of this policy a student may be considered to be a “Missing Person” if the person’s absence from campus is contrary to his/her usual pattern of behavior and unusual circumstances may have caused the absence. Such circumstances could include, but not be limited to, a report or suspicion that the person may be a victim of foul play, has expressed suicidal thoughts, is drug dependent, is in a life-threatening situation, has been with persons who may endanger the student’s welfare, or is overdue to return to campus and is unheard from after giving a specific return time to friends or family.

Designation of Emergency Contact Information

- During the College’s registration process, all students are asked to designate an individual for emergency contact purposes. That designation will remain in effect until changed or revoked by the student. In addition to registering an emergency contact, students residing in on campus housing have the option to identify confidentially an individual to be contacted by the College in the event the student is determined to be missing more than 24 hours. Students who wish to identify a confidential contact can do so by contacting Housing and Residence Life. A student’s missing person contact information will be registered confidentially and will be accessible only by authorized campus officials and law enforcement in the case of a missing person investigation.
- Students under the age of 18.** If a student under the age of 18 is determined to be missing, the College is required to notify a custodial parent or guardian no more than 24 hours after the student is determined to be missing. The Senior Vice President of Student Life and Dean of Students, in consultation with the Director of Public Safety, will determine if a student is to be considered missing based on the reasonable provision of concerning information and evidence.
- All Resident Students.** If a student is determined to be missing the College will notify the appropriate law enforcement agency not later than 24 hours after the determination has been made by the Senior Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students.

Missing Student Procedure

- a. Any individual on campus who has information that a student may be a missing person must notify the Office of Public Safety and/or the Office of Student Life immediately.
- b. The Office of Public Safety, with the assistance of the Office of Student Life, will gather all essential information about the student from the reporting person, from the student's acquaintances and from official College information sources. Such information will include description, cellular phone number, clothes last worn, where the student might be, who the student might be with, vehicle description, information about the physical and emotional wellbeing of the student, an up-to-date photograph, a class schedule, etc.
- c. Appropriate Student Life staff and other personnel across campus will be notified to aid in the search and location of the student. Contact with the student will be attempted using text messaging, cellular phone calls, Facebook, and e-mail.
- d. If search efforts are unsuccessful in locating the student in a reasonable amount of time as determined by the Senior Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students in consultation with the Director of Public Safety OR it is apparent immediately that the student is a missing person (e.g. witnessed abduction), OR it has been determined that the student has been missing for more than 24 hours, the Office of Public Safety will contact the appropriate law enforcement agency to report the student as a missing person. Law enforcement will take charge of the investigation with assistance from College officials.

No later than 24 hours after determining that a student is missing, the Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students or an Associate Dean of Students will notify the emergency contact previously identified by the student (for students 18 and over) or the custodial parent/guardian (for students under the age of 18) and advise that the student is believed to be missing.

Communications about Missing Students

- a. In accordance with established College emergency guidelines and procedures, the Campus Media and Community Relations designee will be part of the College administrative response team and is the designated spokesperson to handle media inquiries concerning a missing student.
- b. The local law enforcement agency in charge of the investigation and the city public information officer (PIO) will be consulted by the Director of Marketing and Communications prior to any information release from the College so as not to jeopardize any investigation.
- c. Information provided to the media to elicit public assistance in the search for the missing person will be handled by the local law enforcement agency

Any questions regarding the Missing Student Policy should be directed to the Director of Public Safety at 941-351-4742.

CRIME & FIRE LOG

Public Safety maintains a daily crime and fire log that records, by the date the incident was reported, all crimes, and fires reported in residential halls, and other serious incidents that occur on campus, on or in a non-campus building or property, on public property, or within the patrol jurisdiction of

the department. The Daily Crime & Fire Log is open for public inspection and available at the Office of Public Safety in Kimbrough Building during normal business hours. Our process for maintaining and posting the daily crime log complies with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (as amended in October 1998).

The crime and fire log include:

- The date and time the crime was reported, the date and time the crime occurred, its nature, the general location where it occurred, and the disposition of the complaint, if the disposition is known at the time the log is created.
- The date and time the fire was reported, the date and time the fire occurred, its nature, and its general location in residential halls. (Please note the fire log only applies to fires that occur in on campus residential halls only).

The Office of Public Safety posts specific incidents in the crime and fire log within two business days of receiving a report of an incident. We reserve the right to exclude crime report information from the log under these circumstances:

- If posting the information jeopardizes an on-going investigation;
- If posting the information would cause a suspect to flee or evade detection;
- If posting the information could result in the destruction of evidence relating to the crime; or,
- If posting the information jeopardizes the safety of an individual.

Once these factors are no longer present, and/or there is no longer a chance that posting the information would adversely affect an on-going investigation, we will post the information.

We make available the most recent 60 days of crime and fire logs. If you wish to view logs older than the most recent 60 days, please contact Public Safety at 941-309-4121. No crime log information will directly or indirectly identify a victim or a witness.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG POLICY

Ringling College considers the abuse of drugs or alcohol by its faculty, staff, and students to be unsafe and counterproductive to the educational process and the work environment. It is Ringling College's policy that the illegal possession, use, consumption, sale, purchase, or distribution of alcohol, illegal drugs, or illegally possessed drugs by any employee, while in the workplace, on campus, or in the conduct of Ringling College-related work off campus, is strictly prohibited.

For purposes of this policy, campus is defined as any area used for work, recreation, residence hall or parking purposes, including sidewalks and exterior areas. Alcohol is not permitted on campus, in any Ringling College residence hall except in private units for those who are of the legal drinking age in Florida, subject to all federal, state, and local laws, and the guidelines which have been established by the College (see "Guidelines for Legal Use of Alcohol in Private Student Residences" in the Student Handbook.)

This policy is not designed to interfere with the appropriate use of prescription drugs. Employees should notify their supervisors if the proper use of prescribed medication will affect work or academic performance. Abuse of prescription drugs will be treated as a violation of this policy.

Disciplinary Actions to Prevent Drug Abuse

Penalties or sanctions will be imposed by the College in accordance with procedures for disciplinary actions against employees and students as found in the Student Handbook, the Staff Handbook, the Faculty Handbook, and other applicable documents. Sanctions and penalties may range from referral to rehabilitation programs, written warnings with probationary status, to dismissal from academic programs and termination of employment.

Distribution and Review of Policy

A copy of this policy will be given annually to each employee and to all new employees at the start of employment. Each student registered during an academic year in any degree program will receive a copy of this policy.

The President will ensure that a biennial review of this policy will be conducted to determine its effectiveness and to implement any necessary changes.

Legal Sanctions

In addition to the disciplinary sanctions Ringling College imposes for violations of this policy, employees and students are subject to state and/or Federal sanctions. Employees who work off-site are subject to the appropriate state and/or local sanctions for their work location.

Florida state law prohibits the possession of alcoholic beverages by persons under age 21, punishable for the first offense by a definite term of imprisonment not exceeding 60 days and/or a \$500 fine, and for a subsequent offense by a definite term of imprisonment not exceeding 1 year and a fine of \$1,000. It is similarly prohibited and punishable to distribute alcohol to minors.

State law makes it a crime for any person to possess or distribute illicit drugs (controlled substances as described in Section 893.03, Florida Statutes) under Section 893.13, Florida Statutes. Law provides certain limited exceptions. The crimes range from second-degree misdemeanors (up to 60 days imprisonment and up to a \$500 fine) to first-degree felonies (up to 30 years imprisonment and up to \$10,000 fine).

Trafficking (distributing specified large quantities of various controlled substances under Section 893.03, Florida Statutes) under Section 893.135, Florida Statutes is punishable, depending on the particular illicit drug, quantity involved and location, by a minimum term of imprisonment of 3 to 30 years and a fine of \$25,000 to \$500,000.

Federal trafficking penalties for first offenses, depending upon the illicit drug involved, range from not more than 1 year imprisonment and a fine of not more than \$100,000 for an individual to 40 years to life imprisonment and a fine of not more than \$200,000 for an individual to not less than life imprisonment and a fine of not more than 8 million dollars for an individual.

Health Risks Associated with the Use of Illicit Drugs and the Abuse of Alcohol

Illicit drugs and the health risks involved in using them include, but are not necessarily limited to:

A. Cannabis (Marijuana)

Use of cannabis may impair or reduce short-term memory and comprehension, alter sense of time, and reduce ability to perform tasks requiring concentration and coordination, such as driving a car. Marijuana can also produce paranoia and psychosis.

B. Inhalants (Gases or Volatile Liquids)

Immediate negative effects may include nausea, sneezing, coughing, nose bleeds, fatigue, lack of coordination, and loss of appetite. Solvents and aerosol sprays may also decrease the heart and respiratory rates and impair judgment. Amyl and butyl nitrite cause rapid pulse, headaches, and involuntary passing of urine and feces. Long term use may result in hepatitis or brain damage.

C. Cocaine

Use causes the immediate effects of dilated pupils, elevated blood pressure, increased heart rate, and elevated body temperature. Chronic use can cause ulceration of the mucous membrane in the nose and produce psychological dependency. Crack or freebase rock, a concentrated form of cocaine, produces effects within ten seconds of administration. In addition to the above, additional effects include loss of appetite, tactile hallucinations, paranoia, and seizures. Cocaine in any form may lead to death through disruption of the brain's control of heart and respiration.

D. Other Stimulants

These include amphetamines and methamphetamines. Users may perspire, experience headache, blurred vision, dizziness, sleeplessness, and anxiety. Extremely high doses can cause physical collapse, very high fever, stroke, or heart failure.

E. Depressants

Included are barbiturates, methaqualone, and tranquilizers. Effects can cause slurred speech, staggering gait, and altered perception. Very large doses can cause respiratory depression, coma, and death. The combination of depressants and alcohol can be devastating. Babies born to mothers who abuse depressants during pregnancy may be physically dependent on the drugs. Some show birth defects and/or behavioral problems.

F. Hallucinogens

Effects of hallucinogens vary depending upon the type of drug. Chronic users may experience mood disorders, paranoia, violent behavior, hallucinations, panic, confusion, loss of control, and death.

G. Narcotics (including heroin)

Overdose may produce slow and shallow breathing, clammy skin, convulsions, coma, and death. Tolerance to narcotics develops rapidly, and dependence is likely. Addiction in pregnant women can lead to premature, stillborn, or addicted infants.

H. Designer Drugs

These drugs have had their molecular structure changed chemically to produce analogs such as synthetic heroin and hallucinogens. These analogs can be hundreds of times stronger than the original drug which they are designed to imitate. One dose can cause uncontrollable tremors, drooling, impaired speech, paralysis, and irreversible brain damage.

Abuse of Alcohol

Alcohol consumption causes a number of marked changes in behavior. Even low doses significantly impair the judgment and coordination required to drive a car safely, increasing the likelihood that the driver will be involved in an accident. Moderate doses of alcohol also increase the incidence of a variety of aggressive acts, including murder, rape, armed robbery, vandalism, spouse and child abuse, and drunk driving. Moderate to high doses of alcohol can cause marked impairment in higher mental functions, severely altering a person's ability to learn and remember information. Heavy use may cause chronic depression and suicide and is also greatly associated with the abuse of other drugs. Very high doses cause respiratory depression and death. If combined with other depressants of the central nervous system, much lower doses of alcohol will produce the effects described. The use of even small amounts of alcohol by pregnant women can damage their fetus. Long-term heavy alcohol use can cause digestive disorders, cirrhosis of the liver, circulatory system disorders and impairment of the central nervous system, all of which may lead to an early death.

Repeated use of alcohol can lead to dependence, particularly in persons with one or more parents or grandparents who were problem drinkers. At least 15-20% of heavy users will eventually become problem drinkers or alcoholics if they continue drinking. Sudden cessation of alcohol intake is likely to produce withdrawal symptoms including severe anxiety, tremors, hallucinations, and convulsions, which can be life threatening.

Resources: Counseling, Treatment, and Rehabilitation

Any employee or student who believes he or she has a problem with drug and/or alcohol abuse is urged, for his or her own benefit as well as the benefit of fellow employees and students, to seek counseling and treatment through a treatment program of his or her choice. Options for assistance and referral include:

- On campus referral sources. Employees may contact the Office of Human Resources and students may contact the Office of Student Life for assistance in locating a treatment program. All requests for counseling and treatment sessions, as well as referrals, will be handled in a confidential manner.
- The Office of Student Life has professional mental health counselors on staff to assist members of the Ringling College community. In addition, the Senior Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students, Associate Deans of Students, Director of Residence Life, Assistant Directors, and the residence life staff are trained in crisis intervention and may provide assistance and/or implement the necessary conduct procedures regarding student behavior.

Clinics and programs that provide counseling and/or treatment in this area. Listings can be found in the yellow pages of the local telephone directory under the heading of Drug Abuse & Addiction Information & Treatment.

Procedures for Events with Alcohol

Ringling College considers the abuse of alcohol by its faculty, staff, and students to be unsafe and counterproductive to the educational process and the work environment. We do not encourage the presence and use of alcohol at College sponsored events. The College may, however, permit the legal purchase and use of alcoholic beverages at College related events that are properly organized and scheduled only when the event will not interfere with scheduled academic activities or the normal operations of the College. If such a program will involve students, permission to provide service

must be acquired from the Senior Vice-President for Student Life and Dean of Students and the Vice-President for Academic Affairs (in cases where a faculty member is the sponsor or when the event is related to Academic Affairs).

Requests for permission to serve alcohol will only be considered if a third-party vendor properly licensed by appropriate state and local authorities has been contracted to serve alcohol. A copy of the appropriate license must be submitted with the request. Requests from the faculty or staff sponsor must be made in writing by completing the [Alcohol Policy Exemption Form](#) that is available online at least two weeks prior to the proposed event. Furthermore, only events where the majority of the intended Ringling College attendees will be of legal drinking age will be considered for approval.

Additionally, the following are specific policies and procedures that must be followed for the use of alcohol at College events:

1. The only alcoholic beverages that can be served at College functions that are student- oriented are beer and wine.
2. One quarter hour prior to the approved ending time listed on the Alcohol Exemption Form, service/sales will stop.
3. College funds will not be used to pay for or sponsor a party, meal or event where alcoholic beverages are consumed, served, or sold in violation of Florida law.
4. Any advertisements for the event (including leaflets, invitations, posters, letters, and all other forms of advertisements) cannot advertise alcohol. These advertisements can display the following information: Beverages will be available. Must have valid state issued picture identification for verification of age.
5. An adequate amount of food and alternative beverages (such as: water, juice, assorted sodas, coffee, and teas) must be available throughout the entire event. The amount of the food and beverages appropriate for the size and duration of the event will be determined by the Vice-President for Student Life and Dean of Students for events involving students.
6. The sponsor is responsible for ensuring that all College policies and procedures are strictly obeyed.
7. Appropriate precautionary measures must be in place to ensure that beer and wine are not served to individuals under the legal drinking age (21 in the State of Florida). These measures include having a designated non-student individual, screening persons at the event. At any time during the event, the individual screening has the option to decline identification provided by an individual. The entire staff working the event has the right to refuse service to individuals deemed as having enough alcohol prior to or during the event.
8. Under no circumstances should anyone be coerced to drink alcohol. This means no drinking games, contests, or events to encourage excessive drinking. Additionally, alcohol cannot be given as a prize.
9. No kegs, or other common source alcohol containers (such as punch, party balls, etc.) are permitted.

For further information and guidance on the policies and procedures related to events with alcohol, please contact the Senior Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students.

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT AND TITLE IX POLICY

This Policy specifically addresses the College's prohibition against Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation, Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Stalking, Title IX Sexual Harassment, and Retaliation against an individual for making a report of conduct prohibited under this policy. Together, these forms of discrimination and harassment are defined as "Prohibited Conduct" below.

Definitions of other capitalized terms can be found within this Policy and in its Glossary of Terms.

Every member of the College community should be aware that the College is opposed to discrimination and harassment on the basis of sex, and that such behavior is prohibited by College policy. The Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy reflects the College's commitment to equal opportunities and is implemented in compliance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX); relevant provisions of the Violence Against Women Act; Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; the Jeanne Clery Campus Safety Act; their implementing regulations; and other applicable federal and state laws and regulations.

Title IX is a Federal law which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in education, programs, or activities. It provides that no person 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 provided through the College. This is not only the policy of the College, it is also the mandate under applicable federal and state laws and applies with regard to the College's employment, admissions, academic programs, scholarship and loan programs, and other College administered programs.

Prohibited Conduct

A Complainant is defined as an individual who is reported to have experienced Prohibited Conduct. A Respondent is defined as an individual who is reported to have committed Prohibited Conduct. The Complainant(s) and Respondent(s) are referred to collectively as the Parties.

Consistent with its commitment to equal opportunities and the eradication of discriminatory practices, including harassment, the following conduct is prohibited under the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy.

Dating Violence: Dating Violence is an Act of Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a romantic or intimate relationship with the Complainant. The existence of such a romantic or intimate relationship is determined by the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interactions between the individuals involved in the relationship.

Domestic Violence: Domestic Violence includes felony or misdemeanor crimes committed on the basis of sex by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the Complainant, by a person with whom the Complainant shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the Complainant as a spouse or intimate partner, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the Complainant, or by any other person against an adult or youth who is protected from that Respondent's acts under applicable law.

Sexual Assault: Sexual Assault is a forcible or non-forcible sex offense including:

- **Penetrative Sexual Assault:** penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the Consent of the Complainant, including instances where the Complainant is incapable of giving Consent because of their age or because of their temporary or permanent mental or physical Incapacity. Attempts to commit penetrative sexual assault are also included within this definition.
- **Fondling¹:**
 - The intentional touching of the clothed or unclothed genitals, buttocks, groin, breasts, or other body parts of the Complainant by the Respondent,
 - without the consent of the Complainant,
 - for the purpose of sexual degradation, sexual gratification, or sexual humiliation; or,
 - The intentional touching by the Complainant of the Respondent's clothed or unclothed genitals, buttocks, groin, breasts, or other body parts,
 - without the consent of the Complainant,
 - for the purpose of sexual degradation, sexual gratification, or sexual humiliation.
- **Incest:** Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.
- **Statutory Rape:** Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

Sexual Exploitation: Sexual Exploitation is when an individual takes non-consensual or abusive sexual advantage of another, for their own benefit; or to benefit anyone other than the one being exploited; and that behavior does not otherwise constitute one of the other Prohibited Conduct under this Policy. Examples of sexual exploitation include, but are not limited to:

- Prostituting another person (i.e. personally gaining money, privilege, or power from the sexual activities of another person)
- Non-consensual video, photography, audiotaping, or any other form of recording, of sexual activity;
- Non-consensual sharing or streaming of images, photography, video, or audio recording of sexual activity or nudity, or distribution of such without the knowledge and consent of all parties involved;

¹ Contact with body parts is considered to be done for the purpose of sexual degradation, sexual gratification, or sexual humiliation unless: (1) the contact can be proven inadvertent; (2) the contact is for a legitimate medical (or other privileged) purpose and thus is conduct for which consent should have been sought and obtained by the provider; (3) the contact involves a Respondent who is pre-sexual, based on maturity/age (thus their intent is not sexual); (4) the contact involves a Respondent who cannot developmentally understand sexual contact or that their contact is sexual; or (5) The contact is something like butt-slapping on a team and is both minimal and unlikely to have sexual motivation or purpose, as shown by the context of the act(s).

- Allowing others to observe a personal act of consensual sex without knowledge or consent of the partner;
- Engaging in voyeurism (being a “peeping tom”); and
- Knowingly or recklessly transmitting an STD or HIV to another person.

Sexual Harassment: Sexual Harassment is unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal, physical or visual conduct based on sex when:

1. Submission to, or rejection of such conduct is an explicit or implicit condition of an individual’s employment, evaluation of academic work, or participation in any aspect of a College Education Program or Activity; or
2. Submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment or academic decisions affecting the individual; or
3. Such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual’s work or academic performance, i.e. it is sufficiently severe, pervasive, or persistent as to create an intimidating, hostile, humiliating, or sexually offensive working, academic, residential, or social environment under both a subjective and an objective standard.

Conduct that does not meet the definition of Sexual Harassment for the purposes of this policy may still violate other College policies or fall short of the College’s reasonable expectation for respectful conduct and professionalism.

Sexual Misconduct: Sexual Misconduct is a broad term that includes Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Sexual Exploitation, Sexual Harassment, and Stalking as defined by this policy.

Stalking: Stalking is engaging in a course of conduct on the basis of sex directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person with similar characteristics under similar circumstances to:

- Fear for the person’s safety or the safety of others; or
- Suffer substantial emotional distress.

A course of conduct includes two or more acts, including but not limited to, those in which the alleged perpetrator directly, indirectly, or through third parties, by any action, method, device, or means, follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about the Complainant, or interferes with the Complainant’s property. The course of conduct must be committed on the basis of the Complainant’s sex.

Retaliation: Retaliation is an adverse action against an individual because the individual in good-faith made a report of a violation of this policy, opposed conduct prohibited by this policy, or participated in an investigation into alleged conduct prohibited by this policy. For the purposes of this definition of Retaliation, an adverse action includes intimidation, threats, coercion, harassment, discrimination, or other conduct that would discourage a reasonable person for making a good-faith report of a violation of this policy.

Title IX Sexual Harassment: Although the College broadly prohibits Sexual Harassment as defined by this policy, federal Title IX regulations require the College to follow specific processes when the College has Actual Knowledge of certain categories of Sexual Misconduct, referred to herein as “Title IX Sexual Harassment.”

For the purposes of this policy, Title IX Sexual Harassment is conduct on the basis of sex that falls under one or more of the following categories:

1. Quid Pro Quo Sexual Harassment: Quid pro quo sexual harassment occurs when a College employee conditions the provision of aid, benefit, or service of the College on participation in unwelcome sexual conduct; or
2. Unwelcome Conduct: Conduct on the basis of sex that is unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to the College’s Education Program or Activity; or
3. Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, or Stalking as defined by this policy;

And, where all of the following apply:

1. At the time the Formal Complaint was filed, the Complainant was participating or attempting to participate in the College’s Education Program or Activity; and
2. The alleged conduct occurred within the College’s Education Program or Activity; and
3. At the time of the alleged conduct, the Complainant was in the United States.

The College must follow specific procedures when it receives a Formal Complaint alleging conduct that, if true, could constitute Title IX Sexual Harassment as defined above.

Scope and Applicability of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy

The Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy applies broadly to all College community members, including all students as well as faculty, staff, trustees, visitors, vendors, independent contractors, volunteers, and others who either conduct business with the College or conduct business on College owned or controlled property. Everyone is expected to avoid any behavior or conduct that could reasonably be interpreted as a violation of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy; no community member, not even the highest-ranking individuals at the College, are exempt from the requirements of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy.

The Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy applies to conduct that occurs on the College owned or controlled property ; occurs in connection to any College Education Program or Activity, including employment and admissions, regardless of where the conduct occurred; or has continuing adverse effects on campus or on any member of the College community.

Inquiries Regarding the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy

While compliance with the law is everyone's responsibility at the College, the College has designated a Title IX Coordinator and Deputy Title IX Coordinators to oversee its response to all reports of Prohibited Conduct as defined by this policy, and to coordinate compliance with the mandates of Title IX. The Title IX Coordinator and Deputy Title IX Coordinators are knowledgeable and trained in the College's policies and procedures and state and federal laws that apply to discrimination and harassment on the basis of sex.

Inquiries regarding the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy, how to report a violation of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy, or compliance with applicable federal, state, or local statutes or regulations may be directed to:

Lauren Frasser
Title IX Coordinator
2700 N. Tamiami Trail
Sarasota, FL 34243-5895
P: 941-309-4035
lfrasser@ringling.edu
titleix@ringling.edu

In addition, inquiries regarding applicable federal statutes and regulations may be directed to the Director of the Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20202-1100, 1-800-421-3481 (phone), 1-877-521-2172 (TDD), ocr@ed.gov (email).

Reports of Violations of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy

The College encourages all individuals to immediately report information about any conduct that may violate the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy.

Reports to the College

Anyone who believes that they have been subject to or witnessed a violation of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy should immediately make a report online at:

https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?RinglingCollege&layout_id=0 or by sending an email to titleix@ringling.edu, or by contacting one of the following individuals:

Lauren Frasser Title IX Coordinator P: 941-309-4035	Darren Mathews Deputy Title IX Coordinator; Assistant Vice President and Director of Human Resources P: 941-309-4058 dmathews@ringling.edu	Elcin Haskollar Deputy Title IX Coordinator; Associate Dean of Students for Student Success P: 941-309-4023
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lfrasser@ringling.edu		ehaskoll@ringling.edu
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Reports may also be made, at any time, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to Public Safety (941-359-7500). A Complainant or third party can request a Public Safety Officer to respond and take a report.

Individuals may choose to make an anonymous report, however if an individual wishes to remain anonymous, it may limit the College's ability to respond.

If an employee (with the exception of the Confidential Resources listed below) has information regarding an allegation of a violation of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy, the employee must report the information to the Title IX Coordinator or a Deputy Title IX Coordinator. Such mandatory reports cannot be anonymous and must include the name of the employee filing the report, as well as all known information relating to the report. Additionally, as required by Florida law, upon notification of known or suspected sexual abuse, abandonment or neglect of a child under age 18, employees, students and volunteers must report as described in the Ringling College of Art and Design Child Protection Policy. This policy can be found in the student and employee handbooks.

Upon receiving a report, the Title IX Coordinator will respond as set forth in the applicable Procedures for Addressing and Responding to Reports and Complaints of Violations of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy set forth below.

Additional information regarding resources and support available at the College and in the community for individuals reporting Prohibited Conduct is available at www.ringling.edu/titleix.

Reports to Law Enforcement

Under Florida law, certain Prohibited Conduct as defined by the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy may also be a crime. When Prohibited Conduct may also constitute criminal conduct, the College encourages individuals to file a report with the Sarasota Police Department or other law enforcement agency with jurisdiction, depending on the location of the incident.

For those reporting to law enforcement, the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office Victim Assistant Unit may also be a helpful resource. The Unit may be contacted at (941) 861-4942 or victimassistance@scgov.net. The Sarasota County Sheriff's Office Victim Assistance Unit provides services to any victim of any crime, including secondary victims and witnesses to crime. In addition, they provide short-term crisis support for persons experiencing traumatic situations that are not crime related (such as suicides). Services include crisis intervention, accompaniment through medical, legal, and judicial appointments related to the victimization, assistance with filing Injunctions for Protection (restraining orders), assistance in applying for Crime Victim Compensation where applicable, practical assistance, exploration of options, and community information and referral.

If a Complainant needs assistance in filing a report with the Sarasota Police Department, a College staff member is available to assist. The College will not file a police report about the incident on the Complainant's behalf unless compelling circumstances exist. To the extent permitted or required by law, the College will cooperate with law enforcement investigations.

The College's response to a report is not impacted by the Complainant's decision to file a criminal complaint or the outcome of any criminal investigation. Conduct not reported to law enforcement or not criminally prosecuted may still violate College policy. Because the goals and objectives of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy differ from those of the civil and criminal justice systems, proceedings under the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy are independent of civil and criminal processes and may be carried out prior to, simultaneously with, or following civil or criminal proceedings off campus.

Seeking Medical Assistance

The College encourages individuals who experience sexual assault to consider seeking medical attention through a local hospital or health care provider to address injuries, test for sexually transmitted infections, discuss emergency contraception options, and to preserve evidence in case the individual should choose to file criminal charges through law enforcement. The individual should not wash, shower, urinate, defecate, change clothes or douche prior to such medical assistance, even though that may be the immediate reaction, so as to best preserve evidence.

Medical providers are required to report sexual assaults to police, and any information reported to any police official is public information and is available to the local media. It is, however, the general practice of journalists not to release names of victims of sex offenses. Sarasota Memorial Hospital provides Sexual Assault Nurse Examinations through its Emergency Department to provide specialized care and services to individuals who have experienced sexual assault.

Procedures for Addressing and Responding to Reports and Complaints of Violations of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy

Ringling College of Art and Design strives to maintain a professional work and academic environment in which all employees and students are treated with respect and dignity. To that end, the College has developed the Procedures for Addressing and Responding to Reports and Complaints of Violations of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy For Student and Employee Respondents. The Procedures can be found at this link: <https://studenthandbook.ringling.edu/sexual-misconduct-and-title-ix-procedures>.

Sanctions for Violations of Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy

The College takes allegations of violations of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy seriously. Anyone found to have engaged in Prohibited Conduct under the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion or separation from the College, in accordance with the applicable disciplinary procedures. In addition, the College reserves the right to take reasonable remedial measures in response to reports of violations of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy.

Privacy & Confidentiality

Under this policy, the concepts of privacy and confidentiality are distinct.

The College will maintain information regarding reports and complaints of violations of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy as private to the greatest extent practicable and appropriate under the circumstances. The College cannot, however, guarantee confidentiality or anonymity when addressing and responding to reports and complaints of violations of the Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy. The College is committed to protecting the privacy of all individuals involved, and will balance the individual privacy with the College's obligation to respond appropriately to the alleged violations of this policy, to protect the involved individuals and the broader community, and to maintain an environment free from Prohibited Conduct.

Individuals may seek Confidential Resources, in addition to or instead of making reports to the College. Such Confidential Resources may be helpful in assisting an individual in determining whether and how to make such reports.

Available Confidential Resources at the College for Students include:

Campus Chaplain (confidential)

Office Location: Ulla Searing Student Center, Second Floor
(941) 309-0200

Peterson Counseling Center (confidential)

Office Location: Health Center
(941) 893-2855

Health Center (confidential except must report sexual assaults to police)

Office Location: Health Center
(941) 309-4000

For employees, the College provides an employee assistance program at no cost. This confidential assistance program provides the opportunity to speak with a professional counselor up to 6 times per issue and can be reached at by calling (800) 624-5544.

Confidentiality governs the information held by certain individuals who learn of such information in the context of a privileged relationship, such as a counselor-patient relationship or in the context of confidential communications with clergy. Information that is subject to confidentiality shall not be shared except in certain situations, such as where the information indicates imminent threat to the health and safety of others, or where the individual is obligated to report child abuse or neglect. Note that limitations of confidentiality may exist for individuals under the age of 18.

Educational and Prevention Programs

The College offers primary prevention programming, initiatives, and strategies informed by research or assessed for value, effectiveness, or outcome that are intended to stop dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking before they occur through the promotion of positive and healthy behaviors that foster healthy, mutually respectful relationships and sexuality, encourage safe bystander intervention, and seek to change behavior and social norms in healthy and safe directions. The College also offers prevention

and awareness campaigns to increase understanding of topics relevant to and skills for addressing dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

All members of the campus community are encouraged to participate in educational and prevention programs in addition to those that may be required by the College as part of student and employee training programs. More information about current programming and initiatives can be obtained from the Title IX Coordinator.

Off-Campus Community Resources

SPARCC (Safe Place and Rape Crisis Center)

2139 Main Street, Sarasota, Florida 34237

941- 365-0208

You can also reach SPARCC through the Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-500-1119.

HOPE Family Services

24 Hour Help-line: 941-755-6805

Outreach Office: 941-747-8499

www.hopefamilyservice.org

In addition, there are multiple ongoing prevention and awareness programs that continuously occur throughout the year that we encourage all staff, faculty and students to participate in.

Ongoing Prevention and Awareness Campaigns

Manatee Glens Rape Crisis Services www.manateeglens.org

Rape Crisis Hotline: 941-708-6059 Main number: 941-782-4100

RAINN

RAPE, ABUSE, & INCEST NATIONAL NETWORK (RAINN)

The nation's largest anti-sexual assault organization.

Florida Council Against Sexual Violence (FCASV) FCASV is an excellent resource regarding the current trends in reported sexual assaults within Florida, current research, outreach, and survivor training, and resources for survivors.

Awareness Programs are community-wide or audience specific programming, initiatives and strategies that increase audience knowledge and share information and resources to prevent violence, promote safety and reduce perpetration.

Primary Prevention Programs means programming, initiatives, and strategies informed by research or assessed for value, effectiveness, or outcome that are intended to stop dating violence,

domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking before they occur through the promotion of positive and healthy behaviors that foster healthy, mutually respectful relationships and sexuality, encourage safe bystander intervention, and seek to change behavior and social norms in healthy and safe directions.

Ringling College offers the following prevention and awareness program for all new employees:

- United Educators online courses:
 - Workplace Harassment Fundamentals
 - Protecting Children: Identifying and Reporting Sexual Misconduct
- Video: Campus Security Authority Training;
- New Employee Orientation
 - Includes review of institutional policies and procedures

Ringling College offers the following prevention and awareness program for all new students:

- Title IX Student Awareness Training during New Student Orientation and online materials.

means programming, initiatives, and strategies that are sustained over time and focus on increasing understanding of topics relevant to and skills for addressing dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking, using a range of strategies with audiences throughout the institution and providing pertinent information.

The Office of Student Life works closely with the Office of Public Safety to promote awareness about rape, sexual assault, and other forms of sexual misconduct, and educational programs are offered each year.

FEDERAL CLERY ACT DEFINITIONS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT AND STALKING

Ringling College of Art and Design prohibits dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking as they are defined for purposes of the Clery Act. The Clery Act defines the crimes of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking as follows:

Dating Violence

Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party's statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship. For the purposes of this definition, dating violence includes but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or threat of such abuse. Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence.

Domestic Violence

A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed: By a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim;

- By a person with whom the victim shares a child in common;
- By a person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the victim as a spouse or intimate partner;
- By a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred; or,
- By any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

Sexual Assault

An offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape as used in the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program. A sex offense is any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

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

Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

Stalking

Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to—

- Fear for the person's safety or the safety of others; or,
- Suffer substantial emotional distress.

For the purposes of this definition—

- Course of conduct means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts which the stalker directly, indirectly, or through third parties, by any action, method, device, or means follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about, a person, or interferes with a person's property.
- Reasonable person means a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the victim.
- Substantial emotional distress means significant mental suffering or anguish that may, but does not necessarily, require medical or other professional treatment or counseling.

Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

JURISDICTIONAL DEFINITIONS OF CONSENT, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT, AND STALKING

If a student wishes to report to local law enforcement, Ringling College will assist the student in this process. Florida law defines these terms as followed:

Consent

Fla. Stat. 794.011

Florida defines consent within its sexual battery statute as follows: “Consent” means intelligent, knowing, and voluntary consent and does not include coerced submission. “Consent” shall not be deemed or construed to mean the failure by the alleged victim to offer physical resistance to the offender.

Sexual Assault

Rape and sexual assault are called “battery” under Florida criminal law. Fla. Stat. 794.011, Sexual battery

1. As used in this chapter:
 - Consent means intelligent, knowing, and voluntary consent and does not include coerced submission. “Consent” shall not be deemed or construed to mean the failure by the alleged victim to offer physical resistance to the offender.
 - Mentally defective means a mental disease or defect which renders a person temporarily or permanently incapable of appraising the nature of his or her conduct.
 - Mentally incapacitated means temporarily incapable of appraising or controlling a person’s own conduct due to the influence of a narcotic, anesthetic, or intoxicating substance administered without his or her consent or due to any other act committed upon that person without his or her consent.
 - Offender means a person accused of a sexual offense in violation of a provision of this chapter.
 - Physically helpless means unconscious, asleep, or for any other reason physically unable to communicate unwillingness to an act.
 - Retaliation includes, but is not limited to, threats of future physical punishment, kidnapping, false imprisonment or forcible confinement, or extortion.
 - Serious personal injury means great bodily harm or pain, permanent disability, or permanent disfigurement.
 - Sexual battery means oral, anal, or vaginal penetration by, or union with, the sexual organ of another or the anal or vaginal penetration of another by any other object; however, sexual battery does not include an act done for a bona fide medical purpose.
 - Victim means a person who has been the object of a sexual offense.
 - Physically incapacitated means bodily impaired or handicapped and substantially limited in ability to resist or flee.
2. A person who commits sexual battery upon a person 12 years of age or older, without that person’s consent, and in the process thereof does not use physical force and violence likely to cause serious personal injury commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in

s. 775.082, s. 775.08(a) A person 18 years of age or older who commits sexual battery upon, or in an attempt to commit sexual battery injures the sexual organs of, a person less than 12 years of age commits a capital felony, punishable as provided in ss. 775.082 and 921.141.

(b) A person less than 18 years of age who commits sexual battery upon, or in an attempt to commit sexual battery injures the sexual organs of, a person less than 12 years of age commits a life felony, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, s. 775.084, or s. 794.0115.

3. A person who commits sexual battery upon a person 12 years of age or older, without that person's consent, and in the process thereof uses or threatens to use a deadly weapon or uses actual physical force likely to cause serious personal injury commits a life felony, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, s. 775.084, or s. 794.0115.
4. A person who commits sexual battery upon a person 12 years of age or older without that person's consent, under any of the following circumstances, commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, s. 775.084, or s. 794.0115:
 - When the victim is physically helpless to resist.
 - When the offender coerces the victim to submit by threatening to use force or violence likely to cause serious personal injury on the victim, and the victim reasonably believes that the offender has the present ability to execute the threat.
 - When the offender coerces the victim to submit by threatening to retaliate against the victim, or any other person, and the victim reasonably believes that the offender has the ability to execute the threat in the future.
 - When the offender, without the prior knowledge or consent of the victim, administers or has knowledge of someone else administering to the victim any narcotic, anesthetic, or other intoxicating substance which mentally or physically incapacitates the victim.
 - When the victim is mentally defective and the offender has reason to believe this or has actual knowledge of this fact.
 - When the victim is physically incapacitated.
 - When the offender is a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or correctional probation officer as defined by s. 943.10(1), (2), (3), (6), (7), (8), or (9), who is certified under the provisions of s. 943.1395 or is an elected official exempt from such certification by virtue of s. 943.253, or any other person in a position of control or authority in a probation, community control, controlled release, detention, custodial, or similar setting, and such officer, official, or person is acting in such a manner as to lead the victim to reasonably believe that the offender is in a position of control or authority as an agent or employee of government.
5. 3, s. 775.084, or s. 794.0115.
6. The offense described in subsection (5) is included in any sexual battery offense charged under subsection (3) or subsection (4).
7. A person who is convicted of committing a sexual battery on or after October 1, 1992, is not eligible for basic gain-time under s. 944.275. This subsection may be cited as the "Junny Rios-Martinez, Jr. Act of 1992."
8. Without regard to the willingness or consent of the victim, which is not a defense to prosecution under this subsection, a person who is in a position of familial or custodial authority to a person less than 18 years of age and who:

- Solicits that person to engage in any act which would constitute sexual battery under paragraph (1)(h) commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
 - Engages in any act with that person while the person is 12 years of age or older but less than 18 years of age which constitutes sexual battery under paragraph (1)(h) commits a felony of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
 - Engages in any act with that person while the person is less than 12 years of age which constitutes sexual battery under paragraph (1)(h), or in an attempt to commit sexual battery injures the sexual organs of such person commits a capital or life felony, punishable pursuant to subsection (2).
9. For prosecution under paragraph (4) (g), acquiescence to a person reasonably believed by the victim to be in a position of authority or control does not constitute consent, and it is not a defense that the perpetrator was not actually in a position of control or authority if the circumstances were such as to lead the victim to reasonably believe that the person was in such a position.
 10. Any person who falsely accuses any person listed in paragraph (4)(g) or other person in a position of control or authority as an agent or employee of government of violating paragraph (4)(g) is guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. 794.0115.
 11. Common-law presumption relating to age abolished.—The common-law rule “that a boy under 14 years of age is conclusively presumed to be incapable of committing the crime of rape” shall not be in force in this state.
 12. 794.021 Ignorance or belief as to victim’s age no defense.—When, in this chapter, the criminality of conduct depends upon the victim’s being below a certain specified age, ignorance of the age is no defense. Neither shall misrepresentation of age by such person nor a bona fide belief that such person is over the specified age be a defense.
 13. 794.023 Sexual battery by multiple perpetrators; reclassification of offenses.— (1) The Legislature finds that an act of sexual battery, when committed by more than one person, presents a great danger to the public and is extremely offensive to civilized society. It is therefore the intent of the Legislature to reclassify offenses for acts of sexual battery committed by more than one person. (2) A violation of s. 794.011 shall be reclassified as provided in this subsection if it is charged and proven by the prosecution that, during the same criminal transaction or episode, more than one person committed an act of sexual battery on the same victim. (a) A felony of the second degree is reclassified to a felony of the first degree. (b) A felony of the first degree is reclassified to a life felony. This subsection does not apply to life felonies or capital felonies. For purposes of sentencing under chapter 921 and determining incentive gain-time eligibility under chapter 944, a felony offense that is reclassified under this subsection is ranked one level above the ranking under s. 921.0022 or s. 921.0023 of the offense committed.
 14. 794.05 Unlawful sexual activity with certain minors.— (1) A person 24 years of age or older who engages in sexual activity with a person 16 or 17 years of age commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. As used in this section, “sexual activity” means oral, anal, or vaginal penetration by, or union with, the sexual organ of another; however, sexual activity does not include an act done for a bona fide medical purpose. (2) The provisions of this section do not apply to a person 16 or 17 years of age who has had the disabilities of nonage removed under chapter 743. (3) The victim’s prior sexual conduct is not a relevant issue in a prosecution under this section. (4)

If an offense under this section directly results in the victim giving birth to a child, paternity of that child shall be established as described in chapter 742. If it is determined that the offender is the father of the child, the offender must pay.

Domestic Violence

Fla. Stat. 741.28 Domestic violence; definitions.—As used in ss. [741.28-741.31](#):

- Department means the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.
- Domestic violence means any assault, aggravated assault, battery, aggravated battery, sexual assault, sexual battery, stalking, aggravated stalking, kidnapping, false imprisonment, or any criminal offense resulting in physical injury or death of one family or household member by another family or household member.
- Family or household member means spouses, former spouses, persons related by blood or marriage, persons who are presently residing together as if a family or who have resided together in the past as if a family, and persons who are parents of a child in common regardless of whether they have been married. With the exception of persons who have a child in common, the family or household members must be currently residing or have in the past resided together in the same single dwelling unit.

Dating Violence

Fla. Stat. 784.046

- Dating violence means violence between individuals who have or have had a continuing and significant relationship of a romantic or intimate nature. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the consideration of the following factors:
 - A dating relationship must have existed within the past 6 months;
 - The nature of the relationship must have been characterized by the expectation of affection or sexual involvement between the parties; and,
 - The frequency and type of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship must have included that the persons have been involved over time and on a continuous basis during the course of the relationship.

Stalking

Fla. Stat. § 784.048. Stalking; definitions; penalties.

1. As used in this section, the term:

- Harass means to engage in a course of conduct directed at a specific person which causes substantial emotional distress to that person and serves no legitimate purpose.
- Course of conduct means a pattern of conduct composed of a series of acts over a period of time, however short, which evidences a continuity of purpose. The term does not include constitutionally protected activity such as picketing or other organized protests.
- Credible threat means a verbal or nonverbal threat, or a combination of the two, including threats delivered by electronic communication or implied by a pattern of conduct, which places the person who is the target of the threat in reasonable fear for his or her safety or the safety of his or her family members or individuals closely associated with the person, and which is made with the apparent ability to carry out the threat to cause such harm. It is not necessary to prove that the person making the threat had the intent to actually carry out the threat. The present incarceration of the person making the threat is not a bar to prosecution under this section.

- Cyber stalk means to engage in a course of conduct to communicate, or to cause to be communicated, words, images, or language by or through the use of electronic mail or electronic communication, directed at a specific person, causing substantial emotional distress to that person and serving no legitimate purpose.
2. A person who willfully, maliciously, and repeatedly follows, harasses, or cyber stalks another person commits the offense of stalking, a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.
 3. A person who willfully, maliciously, and repeatedly follows, harasses, or cyber stalks another person and makes a credible threat to that person commits the offense of aggravated stalking, a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
 4. A person who, after an injunction for protection against repeat violence, sexual violence, or dating violence pursuant to s. 784.046, or an injunction for protection against domestic violence pursuant to s. 741.30, or after any other court-imposed prohibition of conduct toward the subject person or that person's property, knowingly, willfully, maliciously, and repeatedly follows, harasses, or cyber stalks another person commits the offense of aggravated stalking, a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
 5. A person who willfully, maliciously, and repeatedly follows, harasses, or cyber stalks a child under 16 years of age commits the offense of aggravated stalking, a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
 6. A law enforcement officer may arrest, without a warrant, any person that he or she has probable cause to believe has violated this section.
 7. A person who, after having been sentenced for a violation of s. 794.011, s. 800.04, or s. 847.0135(5) and prohibited from contacting the victim of the offense under s. 921.244, willfully, maliciously, and repeatedly follows, harasses, or cyber stalks the victim commits the offense of aggravated stalking, a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

The punishment imposed under this section shall run consecutive to any former sentence imposed for a conviction for any offense under s. 794.011, s. 800.04, or s. 847.0135(5).

NONDISCRIMINATION AND ANTI-HARASSMENT POLICY

Ringling College of Art and Design strives to maintain a professional work and academic environment in which all employees and students are treated with respect and dignity. A vital element of this atmosphere is the College's commitment to equal opportunities and the eradication of discriminatory practices, including harassment, with the goal to provide an academic and institutional climate free of discrimination and harassment on the basis of sex, age, gender, color, race, national or ethnic origin, ancestry, religion, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, handicap, veteran status, genetic information, or any other basis prohibited by law ("Protected Trait"). The College interprets these Protected Traits broadly to include both the actual status and also any perceptions and assumptions made regarding these statuses.

Definitions of other capitalized terms can be found within this Policy and in its Glossary of Terms.

Prohibited Conduct

Consistent with its commitment to equal opportunities and the eradication of discriminatory practices, including harassment, the following conduct is prohibited under the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy (collectively, “Prohibited Conduct”):

Discrimination: Discrimination is unequal treatment of an individual based on a Protected Trait. Discrimination is a violation of this policy when it adversely affects the terms, conditions, or privileges of an individual’s education or employment or denies the benefits of or access to any program or activity provided by the College, except as may be explicitly permitted by law.

Harassment: Harassment is a form of discrimination that is unwelcome verbal or physical conduct based on one or more Protected Traits that is sufficiently severe, pervasive, or persistent as to create an intimidating, hostile, humiliating, or offensive working, academic, residential, or social environment under both a subjective and an objective standard.

In determining whether unwelcome conduct is Harassment, the College will consider the totality of the circumstances surrounding the conduct, including its frequency, nature and severity, the relationship between the parties, and the context in which the conduct occurred. Harassment may involve a single act or ongoing behavior depending on the severity of the conduct.

Conduct that does not meet the definition of Harassment for the purposes of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy may still violate other College policies or fall short of the College’s Employee Respectful Conduct Policy.

Retaliation: Retaliation is an adverse action against an individual because the individual made a good-faith report of a violation of this policy, opposed conduct prohibited by this policy, or participated in an investigation into alleged conduct prohibited by this policy. For the purposes of this definition of Retaliation, an adverse action includes intimidation, threats, coercion, harassment, discrimination, or other conduct that would discourage a reasonable person for making a good-faith report of a violation of this policy.

Sexual Misconduct, and Title IX Sexual Harassment: Sexual Misconduct - including Sexual Harassment, Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, and Stalking - and Title IX Sexual Harassment are forms of prohibited Discrimination and Harassment. The definitions of prohibited Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Sexual Harassment are set forth in the College’s Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policy and that policy governs allegations of Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Sexual Harassment.

Scope and Applicability of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy

The Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy applies broadly to all College community members, including all students, faculty, staff, trustees, visitors, vendors, independent contractors, volunteers, and others who either conduct business with the College or conduct business on College-owned or -controlled property. All College community members are expected to avoid any behavior or conduct that could reasonably be interpreted as a violation of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy; no community member, not even the highest-ranking individuals at the College, are exempt from the requirements of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy.

The Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy applies to conduct that occurs on the College campus; occurs in connection to any College educational program or activity, including employment and admissions, regardless of where the conduct occurred; or has continuing adverse effects on campus or on any member of the College community.

Inquiries Regarding the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy

Inquiries regarding the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy, how to report a violation of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy, or compliance with applicable federal, state, or local statutes or regulations may be directed to:

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In addition, inquiries regarding applicable federal statutes and regulations may be directed to the Director of the Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20202-1100, 1-800-421-3481 (phone), 1-877-521-2172 (TDD), ocr@ed.gov (email).

Reports of Violations of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy

The College encourages all individuals to immediately report information about any conduct that may violate the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy.

Reports may be made online at https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?RinglingCollege&layout_id=0 or by contacting:

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Sarasota, FL 34234-2859
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A report may be made at any time, including during non-business hours. Individuals may choose to make an anonymous report, however if an individual wishes to remain anonymous, it may limit the College's ability to respond.

If a manager or supervisor is informed of an allegation that a College employee violated the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy, the manager or supervisor ***must*** promptly notify one of the individuals identified above.

Procedures for Addressing and Responding to Reports and Complaints of Violations of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy:

There are distinct applicable procedures for addressing and responding to reports and complaints of violations of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy based on the Respondent's (*i.e.*, the individual who is alleged to have committed Prohibited Conduct) relationship with the College.

For Student Respondents: Allegations of Discrimination, Harassment, or Retaliation in violation of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy against student respondents will be processed under the Student Code of Conduct.

For Staff and Faculty Respondents: Allegations of Discrimination, Harassment, or Retaliation in violation of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy against staff or faculty respondents will be processed under the Procedures for Addressing and Responding to Reports and Complaints of Violations of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy.

Sanctions for Violations of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy

The College takes allegations of violations of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy seriously. Anyone found to have engaged in Prohibited Conduct under the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion or separation from the College, in accordance with the applicable disciplinary procedures. In addition, the College reserves the right to take reasonable remedial measures in response to reports of violations of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy.

Privacy & Confidentiality

Under this policy, the concepts of privacy and confidentiality are distinct.

The College will maintain information regarding reports and complaints of violations of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy as private to the greatest extent practicable and appropriate under the circumstances. The College cannot, however, guarantee confidentiality or anonymity when addressing and responding to reports and complaints of violations of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy. The College is committed to protecting the privacy of all individuals involved and will balance the individual privacy with the College's obligation to respond appropriately to the alleged

violations of this policy, to protect the involved individuals and the broader community, and to maintain an environment free from Prohibited Conduct.

Individuals may seek Confidential Resources, in addition to or instead of making reports to the College. Such Confidential Resources may be helpful in assisting an individual in determining whether and how to make such reports.

Confidentiality governs the information held by certain individuals who learn of such information in the context of a privileged relationship, such as a counselor-patient relationship or in the context of confidential communications with clergy. Information that is subject to confidentiality shall not be shared except in certain situations, such as where the information indicates imminent threat to the health and safety of others, or where the individual is obligated to report child abuse or neglect. Note that limitations of confidentiality may exist for individuals under the age of 18.

Available Confidential Resources at the College for Students include:

Campus Chaplain (confidential)

Office Location: Ulla Searing Student Center, Second Floor

Phone: (941) 309-0200

Peterson Counseling Center (confidential)

Office Location: Health Center

Phone: (941) 893-2855

Health Center (confidential except must report sexual assaults to police)

Office Location: Health Center

Phone: (941) 309-4000

For employees, the College provides an employee assistance program at no cost. This confidential assistance program provides the opportunity to speak with a professional counselor up to 6 times per issue and can be reached by calling (800) 624-5544.

Glossary of Terms

For the purposes of the Nondiscrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy, the following terms and definitions and apply:

Complainant: A Complainant is defined as an individual who is reported to have experienced Prohibited Conduct.

Discrimination: Discrimination is unequal treatment of an individual based on a Protected Trait. Discrimination is a violation of this policy when it adversely affects the terms, conditions, or privileges of an individual's education or employment or denies the benefits of or access to any program or activity provided by the College, except as may be explicitly permitted by law.

Harassment: Harassment is a form of discrimination that is unwelcome verbal or physical conduct based on one or more Protected Traits that is sufficiently severe, pervasive, or persistent as to create an intimidating,

hostile, humiliating, or offensive working, academic, residential, or social environment under both a subjective and an objective standard.

Parties: Complainant(s) and Respondent(s) are referred to collectively as the Parties.

Prohibited Conduct: Prohibited Conduct means Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation, collectively, as well as Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Sexual Harassment.

Protected Trait: Protected Trait means sex, age, gender, color, race, national or ethnic origin, ancestry, religion, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, handicap, veteran status, genetic information, or any other basis prohibited by law.

Respondent: A Respondent is defined as an individual who is alleged to have committed Prohibited Conduct.

Retaliation: Retaliation is an adverse action against an individual because the individual made a good-faith report of a violation of this policy, opposed conduct prohibited by this policy, or participated in an investigation into alleged conduct prohibited by this policy.

Sexual Misconduct: Sexual Misconduct includes Sexual Harassment, Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, and Stalking.

CAMPUS REPORTING AUTHORITY POLICY

The “Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act” requires the College to collect crime data from the local police and campus security authorities.

The Clery Act mandates that institutions must disclose statistics both for crimes reported to local police agencies and crimes reported to campus security authorities. The intent of including non-law enforcement personnel as campus security authorities is to acknowledge that many individuals, students in particular, are hesitant about reporting crimes to the police, but may be more inclined to report incidents to other campus-affiliated individuals.

The function of a campus security authority is to report to the Office of Public Safety, those allegations of Clery Act crimes that he or she concludes are made in good faith. A campus security authority is not responsible for determining authoritatively whether a crime took place—that is the function of law enforcement personnel.

Once a report is received, it must be forwarded to the Office of Public Safety, at which time a Public Safety Officer will assist you in determining what information should be reported, and work with you to maintain the confidentiality of the individual(s) involved. Reports filed in this manner are counted in the crime statistics for the College, but the identity of the victim is kept confidential.

The Clery Act regulations define a campus security authority as:

- A member of a campus police department or a campus security department of an institution.
- Any individual or individuals who have responsibility for campus security but do not constitute a campus police department or a campus security department (e.g., an individual who is responsible)
- Any individual or organization specified in an institution's statement of campus security policy as an individual or organization to which students and employees should report criminal offenses.
- An official of an institution who has significant responsibility for student and campus activities, including, but not limited to, student housing, student discipline and campus judicial proceedings.

A Campus Security Authority official is defined as any person who has the authority and the duty to take action or respond to particular issues on behalf of the institution. The *Clery Act* does not designate specific titles as security authorities. A security authority is identified by the function performed by the individual or organization. The function must involve relationships with students. Campus Security Authorities cannot delegate this responsibility.

Campus Security Authorities at the Ringling College of Art and Design includes:

- All employees of the Office of Public Safety
- Faculty Advisors to Student Organizations
- Associate Deans of Student Life
- Residence Life Administrators
- All on-call employees with the Office of Student Life staff (except mental health counselors)
- Resident Assistants
- All other administrators as defined in the Clery Act definition

In certain instances, a crime victim may be reluctant to file a report fearing the process and/or loss of his/her anonymity. In such circumstances, crime victims are encouraged to consider making a confidential report to one of the designated campus security authorities. At a minimum, crime victims will receive valuable counseling and referral information. Confidential reports are important because they provide valuable information that will enhance the safety of the community-at-large and will provide a more accurate portrait of actual campus crime.

Remember, help is available. All you need to do is ask.

PASTORAL AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS (CRIME REPORTING)

As a result of the negotiated rulemaking process which followed the signing into law, the 1998 amendments to 20 U.S.C. Section 1092 (f), clarification was given to those considered to be campus security authorities. Campus "Pastoral Counselors" and campus "Professional Counselors", when acting as such, are not considered to be a campus security authority and are not required to report crimes for the inclusion into the annual disclosure of crime statistics. As a matter of policy, they are encouraged, if and when they deem appropriate, to inform persons being counseled of the procedures to report crimes on a voluntary, confidential basis to DPSEP for inclusion into the annual crime

statistics. It should be noted that an institution is not required to provide a timely warning with respect to crimes reported to a pastoral or professional counselor.

The rulemaking committee defines counselors as:

- Pastoral Counselor - An employee of the institution, who is associated with a religious order or denomination, recognized by that religious order or denomination as someone who provides confidential counseling and who is functioning within the scope of that recognition as a pastoral counselor.
- Professional Counselor - An employee of an institution whose official responsibilities include providing psychological counseling to members of the institution's community and who is functioning within the scope of his or her license or certification.

NOTIFICATIONS TO VICTIMS OF CRIMES OF VIOLENCE

The College will, upon written request, disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense, the report on the results of any disciplinary proceeding conducted by such institution against a student who is the alleged perpetrator of such crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of such crime or offense, the next of kin of such victim shall be treated as the alleged victim for purposes of this paragraph.

MEGAN'S LAW WEBSITE

<https://offender.fdle.state.fl.us/offender/sops/home.jsf>

Florida's legislature has determined that public safety will be enhanced by making information about registered sex offenders available to the public through the internet. Knowledge as to whether a person is a registered sex offender could be a significant factor in protecting yourself and your family members, or those in care of a group or community organization, from recidivist acts by registered sex offenders.

The technology afforded by the internet makes information on registered sex offenders readily accessible to the public, enabling them to undertake appropriate remedial precautions to prevent or avoid placing potential victims at risk. Public access to information about registered sex offenders is intended solely as a means of public protection.

TITLE IX/VAWA TRAINING

The Violence Against Women Act amendments to the Clery Act require that certain college officials charged with responding to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking be trained annually in a number of areas. This college/university receives Basic Compliance Training and/or live Advanced Trainings and/or digital Basic or Advanced Trainings through Bricker Graydon and Wyatt Advanced Title IX trainings. This college/university is also a member of the Association of Title IX Administrators (ATIXA). As part of that membership, covered administrators who investigate or conduct proceedings to address allegations of dating violence, domestic violence,

sexual assault and stalking receive training in a number of areas. These in-person and digital courses address topics including how to determine the relevancy of evidence and use it during the proceeding, proper techniques for questioning witnesses, basic procedural rules for conducting a proceeding, and avoiding actual and perceived conflicts of interest. These trainings also address how to conduct an investigation and hearing process that protects the safety of victims, properly employs trauma-informed practice, and promotes accountability, while protecting the due process rights of the respondent. Finally, these trainings provide comprehensive reviews of federal and state laws and regulations on point as well as relevant court and administrative opinions.

Ringling College of Art and Design
RCAD PUBLIC SAFETY- 2023, 2024, 2025 Crime Statistics

2025 Criminal Offenses	ON CAMPUS		ON CAMPUS (TOTAL)	NON CAMPUS	PUBLIC PROPERTY
	Student Housing	Other			
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE					
MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0
NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSES					
SEX OFFENSE: FONDLING	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: INCEST	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: RAPE	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: STATUTORY RAPE	0	0	0	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0
BURGLARY	0	0	0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0	0	0
ARSON	0	1	1	0	0
UNFOUNDED CRIMES TOTAL: 0					

2024	Criminal Offenses	ON CAMPUS		ON CAMPUS (TOTAL)	NON CAMPUS	PUBLIC PROPERTY
		Student Housing	Other			
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE						
MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER		0	0	0	0	0
NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER		0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSES						
SEX OFFENSE: FONDLING		1	1	2	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: INCEST		0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: RAPE		0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: STATUTORY RAPE		0	0	0	0	0
ROBBERY		0	0	0	0	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT		0	1	1	0	0
BURGLARY		0	0	0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT		0	0	0	0	0
ARSON		0	0	0	0	0
UNFOUNDED CRIMES TOTAL: 0						

2023	Criminal Offenses	ON CAMPUS		ON CAMPUS (TOTAL)	NON CAMPUS	PUBLIC PROPERTY
		Student Housing	Other			
CRIMINAL HOMICIDE						
MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER		0	0	0	0	0
NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER		0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSES						
SEX OFFENSE: FONDLING		0	2	2	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: INCEST		0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: RAPE		0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: STATUTORY RAPE		0	0	0	0	0
ROBBERY		0	0	0	0	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT		0	0	0	0	0
BURGLARY		0	0	0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT		0	2	2	0	0
ARSON		0	0	0	0	0
UNFOUNDED CRIMES TOTAL: 0						

2025	Arrest and Judicial Referrals	ON CAMPUS		ON CAMPUS (TOTAL)	NON CAMPUS	PUBLIC PROPERTY
		Student Housing	Other			
ARRESTS						
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS		0	0	0	0	0
DRUG LAW VIOLATIONS		0	0	0	0	4
ILLEGAL WEAPONS POSSESSION		0	0	0	0	0
JUDICIAL REFERRALS						
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS		2	0	2	0	0
DRUG LAW VIOLATIONS		2	3	5	0	0
ILLEGAL WEAPONS POSSESSION		0	0	0	0	0

2024	Arrest and Judicial Referrals	ON CAMPUS		ON CAMPUS (TOTAL)	NON CAMPUS	PUBLIC PROPERTY
		Student Housing	Other			
ARRESTS						
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS		0	0	0	0	0
DRUG LAW VIOLATIONS		0	0	0	0	2
ILLEGAL WEAPONS POSSESSION		0	0	0	0	0
JUDICIAL REFERRALS						
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS		5	1	6	0	0
DRUG LAW VIOLATIONS		5	1	6	0	0
ILLEGAL WEAPONS POSSESSION		3	1	4	0	0

2023	Arrest and Judicial Referrals	ON CAMPUS		ON CAMPUS (TOTAL)	NON CAMPUS	PUBLIC PROPERTY
		Student Housing	Other			
ARRESTS						
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS		0	0	0	0	0
DRUG LAW VIOLATIONS		0	0	0	0	0
ILLEGAL WEAPONS POSSESSION		0	0	0	0	0
JUDICIAL REFERRALS						
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS		0	3	3	0	0
DRUG LAW VIOLATIONS		1	3	4	0	0
ILLEGAL WEAPONS POSSESSION		0	0	0	0	0

ON CAMPUS

Clery Hate Crime Statistics

2025 ON CAMPUS Clery Act Reportable Offenses	Category of Hate Crime						National Origin	Gender Identity
	Race	Gender	Religion	Sexuality	Ethnicity	Disability		
MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: FONDLING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: INCEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: RAPE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: STATUTORY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BURGLARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ARSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ANY OTHER CRIME INVOLVING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SIMPLE ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INTIMIDATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LARCENY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2024 ON CAMPUS Clery Act Reportable Offenses	Category of Hate Crime						National Origin	Gender Identity
	Race	Gender	Religion	Sexuality	Ethnicity	Disability		
MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: FONDLING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: INCEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: RAPE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: STATUTORY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BURGLARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ARSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ANY OTHER CRIME INVOLVING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SIMPLE ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INTIMIDATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LARCENY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2023 ON CAMPUS		Category of Hate Crime						National Origin	Gender Identity
Clery Act Reportable Offenses	Race	Gender	Religion	Sexuality	Ethnicity	Disability			
MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: FONDLING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: INCEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: RAPE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: STATUTORY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BURGLARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ARSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ANY OTHER CRIME INVOLVING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SIMPLE ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INTIMIDATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LARCENY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

NON CAMPUS

Clery Hate Crime Statistics

2025 NON CAMPUS Clery Act Reportable Offenses	Category of Hate Crime						National Origin	Gender Identity
	Race	Gender	Religion	Sexuality	Ethnicity	Disability		
MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: FONDLING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: INCEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: RAPE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: STATUTORY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BURGLARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ARSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ANY OTHER CRIME INVOLVING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SIMPLE ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INTIMIDATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LARCENY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2024 NON CAMPUS Clery Act Reportable Offenses	Category of Hate Crime						National Origin	Gender Identity
	Race	Gender	Religion	Sexuality	Ethnicity	Disability		
MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: FONDLING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: INCEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: RAPE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSE: STATUTORY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BURGLARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ARSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ANY OTHER CRIME INVOLVING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SIMPLE ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INTIMIDATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LARCENY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2023	NON CAMPUS	Category of Hate Crime						National Origin	Gender Identity
		Clery Act Reportable Offenses	Race	Gender	Religion	Sexuality	Ethnicity		
		MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		SEX OFFENSE: FONDLING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		SEX OFFENSE: INCEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		SEX OFFENSE: RAPE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		SEX OFFENSE: STATUTORY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		BURGLARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		ARSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		ANY OTHER CRIME INVOLVING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		SIMPLE ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		INTIMIDATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		LARCENY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

PUBLIC PROPERTY

Clery Hate Crime Statistics

2025	PUBLIC PROPERTY	Category of Hate Crime							National Origin	Gender Identity
		Clery Act Reportable Offenses	Race	Gender	Religion	Sexuality	Ethnicity	Disability		
	MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEX OFFENSE: FONDLING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEX OFFENSE: INCEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEX OFFENSE: RAPE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEX OFFENSE: STATUTORY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	BURGLARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ARSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ANY OTHER CRIME INVOLVING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SIMPLE ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	INTIMIDATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	LARCENY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2024	PUBLIC PROPERTY	Category of Hate Crime							National Origin	Gender Identity
		Clery Act Reportable Offenses	Race	Gender	Religion	Sexuality	Ethnicity	Disability		
	MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEX OFFENSE: FONDLING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEX OFFENSE: INCEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEX OFFENSE: RAPE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEX OFFENSE: STATUTORY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	BURGLARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ARSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ANY OTHER CRIME INVOLVING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SIMPLE ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	INTIMIDATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	LARCENY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2023	PUBLIC PROPERTY	Category of Hate Crime							National Origin	Gender Identity
		Clery Act Reportable Offenses	Race	Gender	Religion	Sexuality	Ethnicity	Disability		
	MURDER/NONNEGLIGENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	NEGLIGENT MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEX OFFENSE: FONDLING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEX OFFENSE: INCEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEX OFFENSE: RAPE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEX OFFENSE: STATUTORY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	BURGLARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ARSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ANY OTHER CRIME INVOLVING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SIMPLE ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	INTIMIDATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	LARCENY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Clery VAWA Statistics

2025	VAWA	ON CAMPUS		ON CAMPUS (TOTAL)	NON CAMPUS	PUBLIC PROPERTY
		Student Housing	Other			
VAWA Crimes						
	Dating Violence	1	0	1	0	0
	Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0
	Stalking	4	0	4	0	0

2024	VAWA	ON CAMPUS		ON CAMPUS (TOTAL)	NON CAMPUS	PUBLIC PROPERTY
		Student Housing	Other			
VAWA Crimes						
	Dating Violence	1	0	1	0	0
	Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0
	Stalking	0	1	1	0	0

2023	VAWA	ON CAMPUS		ON CAMPUS (TOTAL)	NON CAMPUS	PUBLIC PROPERTY
		Student Housing	Other			
VAWA Crimes						
	Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0
	Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0
	Stalking	0	0	0	0	0

Clery- Hazing Statistics

2025	HAZING	ON CAMPUS		ON CAMPUS (TOTAL)	NON CAMPUS	PUBLIC PROPERTY
		Student Housing	Other			
HAZING						
HAZING		0	0	0	0	0

2024	HAZING	ON CAMPUS		ON CAMPUS (TOTAL)	NON CAMPUS	PUBLIC PROPERTY
		Student Housing	Other			
HAZING						
HAZING		0	0	0	0	0

2023	HAZING	ON CAMPUS		ON CAMPUS (TOTAL)	NON CAMPUS	PUBLIC PROPERTY
		Student Housing	Other			
HAZING						
HAZING		0	0	0	0	0

Campus Hazing Transparency Report

The Campus Hazing Transparency Report includes all violations of the policy regarding Hazing as required by the Stop Campus Hazing Act. The report is designed to help students make informed decisions about joining a recognized student organization at Ringling College of Art and Design or participating in recognized student organization's activities.

Anti-Hazing Policy:

Ringling College of Art and Design Anti-Hazing Policy can be found, here:
<https://studenthandbook.ringling.edu/antihazing-policy>.

Reporting:

☐ There are numerous ways you can report hazing:

- o Online reporting form:
https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?RinglingCollege&layout_id=0 .
- o Anonymous reporting option to Public Safety.
- o Direct contact with Dean of Students, Title IX Coordinator, or Public Safety.

Hate Crimes:

2023: No Hate Crimes Reported

2024: No Hate Crimes reported

2025: No Hate Crimes Reported

Unfounded Crimes:

2023: None

2024: None

2025: None

2026 ANNUAL FIRE SAFETY REPORT

The Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) requires that institutions participating in federal student financial aid programs and providing on-campus housing facilities publish an Annual Fire Safety Report. The report contains information with respect to the campus fire safety practices and standards of that institution.

Ringling College of Art and Design complies with this regulation by including all fire related incidents at on-campus students housing facilities as part of the Annual Security & Fire Safety Report. Information contained in this report includes the number of fire related deaths & injuries; value of fire-related property damage; information on evacuation procedures and fire safety education and training programs; fire safety systems in each student housing facility; the number of regular mandatory supervised fire drills; and policies on portable electrical appliances, smoking, and open flames. To view the most recent report, visit the Public Safety website.

This report contains the fire statistics for calendar years 2021, 2022, 2023 and the policies and procedures for the academic year 2024-2025.

Residence Halls Policies and Procedures

Appliances

Hot plates, full-size refrigerators and any appliance with exposed elements (i.e. hot plates, George Foreman Grills) are prohibited. U.L. Approved microwaves less than 600 watts and refrigerators less than 4.0 cubic feet are allowed. No grills are permitted in any student housing.

Flammable Items

Open flames such as candles, incense, and potpourri burners are not permitted in any student residence. An initial violation of this policy will result in confiscation of the materials and a written reprimand. Additional violations will result in Conduct System action and / or a fine. Please be advised that the Residence Life Staff reserves the right to confiscate candles, even if they have not been burned.

Smoking and Vaping

Ringling College of Art and Design is committed to providing a safe and healthful environment for its students, faculty, staff, and visitors. Research findings show that tobacco use in general, including smoking, vaping, and breathing secondhand smoke, constitute a significant health hazard. In addition to causing direct health hazards, smoking contributes to institutional costs in other ways, including fire damage, cleaning and maintenance costs, and costs associated with employee absenteeism.

Ringling College of Art and Design therefore has set the following policy regarding tobacco use:

Smoking and vaping is prohibited on the Ringling College main campus except in outdoor designated smoking areas. Smoking and vaping is prohibited in all areas of the Museum Campus and at the Englewood Art Center. Smoking and vaping are also prohibited in all Ringling College vehicles including golf carts. For the purposes of this policy, smoking is defined as burning and vaping any type of product including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos and pipes, and additionally includes e-cigarettes and their associated

products. Smoking and vaping materials will not be sold or dispensed within any property owned, leased, or controlled by Ringling College.

This policy applies to all persons including students, faculty, staff, visitors, contractors, subcontractors, and others on Ringling College property. Designated smoking areas on the main campus for smoking and vaping are identified by signage and contain receptacles for the proper disposal of cigarette butts. All students, faculty, staff, and visitors are expected to observe these designated smoking areas and to dispose of cigarette butts safely and only in the receptacles provided.

Organizers and attendees at public events, such as conferences, meetings, public lectures, social events and cultural events that use Ringling College facilities are required to abide by this policy. Organizers of such events are responsible for communicating this policy to attendees and for enforcing this policy.

Effective enforcement of this policy depends upon the courtesy, respect, and cooperation of all members of the Ringling College community.

Information about smoking and vaping cessation programs and resources is available from the Office of Student Life or the Office of Human Resources.

Fire Safety

Hanging objects from sprinkler heads, pipes and electrical conduit is strictly prohibited. Live cut trees (such as Christmas trees) are not permitted anywhere in student housing.

Blocking entries and exits with furniture or personal belongings is prohibited. Stacking furniture in front of residence hall room doors is a fire hazard and could be potentially life threatening. Persons found responsible for such actions will be held accountable through the student conduct system.

Reporting a Fire

If you discover a fire, you should immediately evacuate the building, sound the alarm if it isn't activated, call Public Safety or dial 9-1-1 and advise the Communications Officer of the situation. In the event the fire has been extinguished, you should contact Public Safety and make them aware of the incident. All fires, or evidence of past fires, should be reported to Public Safety to ensure inclusion in the annual fire statistics published as part of this Annual Security and Fire Safety Report.

Policies Students and Employees Should Follow In Case of a Fire

When a fire alarm sounds in campus housing units, it is mandatory for all students to evacuate the building according to the prescribed fire emergency procedures. Your worst enemy during a fire is smoke. If you are surrounded by smoke, get down on the floor and crawl to safety. Hold your breath and close your eyes if you can. Close doors behind you as you escape. Always use stairs to escape. Never use an elevator.

Here are a few simple fire safety tips:

- Know what your fire alarm sounds like.

- Feel the door for heat – if it is hot, do not open it! Remain in the room. Place a towel in the airspace under the door. Go to the window and wave an article of clothing until a fire fighter reaches you. If the door is not hot, lock the door, and move quickly to the nearest fire exit.
- Exit the building as safely and quickly as possible from the nearest exit. (In any building, you should know where at least two exits are.) Know where pull stations are located.
- When you see a fire, sound the alarm.
- Contact Public Safety at 941-359-7500 or 9-1-1 to report any fire.
- Be prepared to identify the size of the fire and location.
- Close all doors as you leave the building.
- Do not use the elevators for any reason.
- If you need assistance, develop a buddy plan with someone else to help expedite safe exit.
- Notify others in the immediate area about the fire as you are leaving.
- Do not enter a building that is on fire or that the fire alarm is sounding in.
- Do not re-enter a building that you have evacuated for any reason.
- Never prop open or lock a fire exit door.
- Report any vandalism to any of the fire safety equipment in your building.
- Do not re-enter the building under any circumstances until directed to do so by the Residence Life staff or a Public Safety Officer.

Student Housing Evacuation Procedures

If a fire occurs, students are instructed to leave hazardous areas per the evacuation routes and get to a predetermined location before calling 9-1-1 and Public Safety for help. In the event of a fire in the residence hall, community members should quickly shut the door to their room and proceed to the nearest exit where they can leave the building safely. If the alarm hasn't sounded, activate the nearest pull station if you can do so safely. Once outside the building call 9-1-1 and notify the fire department of the emergency. If possible, contact Public Safety at 941-359-7500. Do not use an elevator while the alarm is activated. Upon exiting your residence hall, proceed to the evacuation gathering points

Fire Safety Education and Training

During the first week of school, students living in College housing meet with their Residence Hall Assistants or professional staff personnel. During that initial meeting, they are told what actions to take during a fire, where the exits are located, and where the reunification areas are for each area.

Fire Drills

Each semester Public Safety and Residential Life work together to conduct fire drills at most Residence Halls (as specified in the report below). During the drills, the alarms are sounded and staff members make a check of every residence hall room to verify all students have exited the buildings.

Fire Alarm Systems & Safety

Tampering with fire alarms, fire extinguishers or any other fire equipment is a third-degree crime. Any person found responsible for such actions may be subjected to a fine of up to \$500. In addition to potential criminal charges, students engaging in this behavior will be referred for disciplinary action and / or civil prosecution that may result in separation from the College.

Future Improvements

As we continue to add and upgrade our facilities, the College will continue to explore ways to improve our fire safety.

RINGLING COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION:

Residence Halls and Apartments

Residence Halls and Apartments	FACP Monitored	Sprinkler System	Smoke Detectors	Fire Extinguishers	Evacuation Placards	Number of Fire Drills/Year
Keating Hall	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Yes	Yes	2
Searing Student Center	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Yes	No	2
Goldstein Residence Hall	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Yes	Yes	2
Bayou Village Apts	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Yes	Yes	2
Quadrangle Apts	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	2
Family Housing	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	2
Whitaker Cove South	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Yes	Yes	2
Whitaker Cove North	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	2
Bridge Apts	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Yes	Yes	2
Greensboro Hall	Yes	Yes*	Yes	Yes	Yes	2

*Indicates full sprinkler system with heads located in bedrooms.

RINGLING COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION:
Houses or Apartments

Houses or Apts	FACP Monitored	Sprinkler System	Smoke Detectors	Fire Extinguishers	Evacuation Placards	Number of Fire Drills/Year
1100 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1102 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1107 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1113 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1123 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1131 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1132 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1139 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1141 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1142 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1147 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1155 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1158 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1160 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1161 Guilford Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1107 Greensboro Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1123 Greensboro Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1133 Greensboro Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1143 Greensboro Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1151 Greensboro Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1159 Greensboro Lane	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1100 Patterson Dr	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1146 Patterson Dr	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1136 Patterson Dr	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1172 Patterson Dr	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1174 Patterson Dr	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1176 Patterson Dr	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1178 Patterson Dr	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1255 North Riverside Dr	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1261 North Riverside Dr	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1267 North Riverside Dr	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
1273 North Riverside Dr	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
2340 Old Bradenton Road	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0

RINGLING COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION:
Houses or Apartments (*continued*)

Houses or Apts	FACP Monitored	Sprinkler System	Smoke Detectors	Fire Extinguishers	Evacuation Placards	Number of Fire Drills/Year
2911 Old Bradenton Road	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
2914 East Tamiami Circle	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
3014 East Tamiami Circle	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
3015 Old Bradenton Road	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
3022 East Tamiami Circle	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
3024 East Tamiami Circle	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
2919 Old Bradenton Road	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
2927 Old Bradenton Road	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
2930 West Place	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0
3035 Old Bradenton Road	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	0

Fire Statistics

The Higher Education Opportunity Act, enacted on August 14, 2008, requires institutions that maintain on-campus student housing facilities to publish an annual fire safety report that contains information about campus fire safety practices and standards of the institution. The fire statistics are for the three most recent calendar years.

2025 Fire Statistics for On-Campus Housing Facilities: Residence Halls and Apartments

Residence Halls and Apartments	Total # of fires in each building	Fire #	Cause	Injuries	Deaths	Property Damage Value
Ulla Searing Student Center	0	0		0	0	0
Goldstein Residence Hall	0	0		0	0	0
Bayou Village Apts	0	0		0	0	0
Quadrangle Apts	0	0		1	0	0
Family Housing	0	0		0	0	0
Whitaker Cove South	0	0		0	0	0
Whitaker Cove North	0	0		0	0	0
Bridge Hall Apts	1	1	Cooking	0	0	0
Greensboro Hall	0	0		0	0	0

2025 Fire Statistics for On-Campus Housing Facilities: Houses or Apartments

Houses or Apartments	Total # of fires in each building	Fire #	Cause	Injuries	Deaths	Property Damage Value
1100 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1102 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1107 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1113 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1123 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1131 Guilford Lane						
1132 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0

1139 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1141 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1142 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1147 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1155 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1158 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1160 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0

2025 Fire Statistics for On-Campus Housing Facilities: Houses or Apartments (continued)

Houses or Apartments	Total # of fires in each building	Fire #	Cause	Injuries	Deaths	Property Damage Value
1161 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1107 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1123 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1133 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1143 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1151 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1159 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1136 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1172 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1174 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1176 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1178 Patterson Dr	1	1	Cooking	0	0	\$500
1216 31 st Street	0	0		0	0	0
1255 North Riverside Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1261 North Riverside Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1267 North Riverside Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1273 North Riverside Dr	0	0		0	0	0
2911 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0
2914 East Tamiami Circle	0	0		0	0	0
3014 East Tamiami Circle	0	0		0	0	0
3015 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0
3022 East Tamiami Circle	0	0		0	0	0
3024 East Tamiami Circle	0	0		0	0	0
2919 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0
2927 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0

2930 West Place	0	0		0	0	0
2936 West Place	0	0		0	0	0
3035 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0

**2024 Fire Statistics for On-Campus Housing Facilities:
Residence Halls and Apartments**

Residence Halls and Apartments	Total # of fires in each building	Fire #	Cause	Injuries	Deaths	Property Damage Value
Ulla Searing Student Center	0	0		0	0	0
Goldstein Residence Hall	0	0		0	0	0
Bayou Village Apts	0	0		0	0	0
Quadrangle Apts	0	0		0	0	
Family Housing	0	0		0	0	0
Whitaker Cove South	0	0		0	0	0
Whitaker Cove North	0	0		0	0	0
Bridge Hall Apts	1	1	Cooking	0	0	None
Greensboro Hall	0	0		0	0	0

2024 Fire Statistics for On-Campus Housing Facilities: Houses or Apartments

Houses or Apartments	Total # of fires in each building	Fire #	Cause	Injuries	Deaths	Property Damage Value
1100 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1102 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1107 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1113 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1123 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1131 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1132 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1139 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1141 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1142 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0

1147 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1155 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1158 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1160 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0

2024 Fire Statistics for On-Campus Housing Facilities: Houses or Apartments (continued)

Houses or Apartments	Total # of fires in each building	Fire #	Cause	Injuries	Deaths	Property Damage Value
1161 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1107 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1123 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1133 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1143 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1151 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1159 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1100 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1136 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1146 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1172 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1174 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1176 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1178 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1255 North Riverside Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1261 North Riverside Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1267 North Riverside Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1273 North Riverside Dr	0	0		0	0	0
2911 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0
2914 East Tamiami Circle	0	0		0	0	0
3014 East Tamiami Circle	0	0		0	0	0
3015 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0
3022 East Tamiami Circle	0	0		0	0	0
3024 East Tamiami Circle	0	0		0	0	0
2919 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0

**2023 Fire Statistics for On-Campus Housing Facilities:
Residence Halls and Apartments**

Residence Halls and Apartments	Total # of fires in each building	Fire #	Cause	Injuries	Deaths	Property Damage Value
Ulla Searing Student Center	0	0		0	0	0
Goldstein Residence Hall	0	0		0	0	0
Bayou Village Apts	0	0		0	0	0
Quadrangle Apts	0	0		0	0	
Family Housing	0	0		0	0	0
Whitaker Cove South	0	0		0	0	0
Whitaker Cove North	0	0		0	0	0
Bridge Hall Apts	1	1	Melting facial wax on stove	0	0	\$100
Greensboro Hall	0	0		0	0	0

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1100 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1102 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1107 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1113 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1123 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1131 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1132 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1139 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1141 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1142 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1147 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1155 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0

1158 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1160 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0

2023 Fire Statistics for On-Campus Housing Facilities: Houses or Apartments (continued)

Houses or Apartments	Total # of fires in each building	Fire #	Cause	Injuries	Deaths	Property Damage Value
1161 Guilford Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1107 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1123 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1133 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1143 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1151 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1159 Greensboro Lane	0	0		0	0	0
1136 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1172 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1174 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1176 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1178 Patterson Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1216 31 st Street	0	0		0	0	0
1255 North Riverside Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1261 North Riverside Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1267 North Riverside Dr	0	0		0	0	0
1273 North Riverside Dr	0	0		0	0	0
2911 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0
2914 East Tamiami Circle	0	0		0	0	0
3014 East Tamiami Circle	0	0		0	0	0
3015 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0
3022 East Tamiami Circle	0	0		0	0	0
3024 East Tamiami Circle	0	0		0	0	0
2919 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0
2927 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0
2930 West Place	0	0		0	0	0
3035 Old Bradenton Road	0	0		0	0	0

CRIME & FIRE LOG

Public Safety maintains a daily crime and fire log that records, by the date the incident was reported, all crimes, and fires reported in residential halls, and other serious incidents that occur on campus, on or in a non-campus building or property, on public property, or within the patrol jurisdiction of the department. The Daily Crime & Fire Log is open for public inspection and available at the Office of Public Safety in Kimbrough Building during normal business hours. Our process for maintaining and posting the daily crime log complies with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (as amended in October 1998).

The crime and fire log include:

- The date and time the crime was reported, the date and time the crime occurred, its nature, the general location where it occurred, and the disposition of the complaint, if the disposition is known at the time the log is created.
- The date and time the fire was reported, the date and time the fire occurred, its nature, and its general location in residential halls. (Please note the fire log only applies to fires that occur in on campus residential halls only)

The Public Safety department posts specific incidents in the crime and fire log within two business days of receiving a report of an incident. We reserve the right to exclude crime report information from the log under these circumstances:

- If posting the information jeopardizes an on-going investigation;
- If posting the information would cause a suspect to flee or evade detection;
- If posting the information could result in the destruction of evidence relating to the crime; or,
- If posting the information jeopardizes the safety of an individual.

Once these factors are no longer present, and/or there is no longer a chance that posting the information would adversely affect an on-going investigation, we will post the information.

We make available the most recent 60 days of crime and fire logs. If you wish to view logs older than the most recent 60 days, please contact Public Safety at 941-309-4121. No crime log information will directly or indirectly identify a victim or a witness.

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