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College Overview

Queens College, one of 24 schools of The City University of New York (CUNY), was founded in 1937, and has evolved from a primarily liberal arts oriented institution into a comprehensive college. In addition, Queens College houses Townsend Harris High School, a high school adding approximately 1,043 people to the campus community. Other programs offered include Honors Programs, College Preparatory Programs, SEEK Program, Culinary Arts and Food Management, and an extensive Continuing Education Program which offers classes seven days a week.

The campus is located at 65-30 Kissena Blvd in Queens, a borough of New York City, whose population is approximately 2,359,000. The campus is situated on an 80 acre site and comprised of 43 buildings located on, or contiguous to, the campus.

The College enrolls approximately 20,000 full- and part-time degree program students who attend day and evening classes. In addition, the College, through the Office of Continuing Education, serves approximately 1,779 individuals with widely diverse backgrounds during the academic year. The College employs approximately 1,400 full-time faculty/staff and 1,600 part- time adjunct/staff members.

Policy Statements

These policy statements provide information regarding Queens College security and fire safety policies. Campus safety, parking, vehicle regulations, public safety services, and other information on Public Safety can be found on the Queens College Public Safety website at https://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/security/Pages/default.aspx

Annual Disclosure of Crime Statistics

Queens College’s 2019 Annual Security Report includes statistics for the previous three years about reported crimes that occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings owned, and controlled by Queens College, and on public property within or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. These statistics are compiled from campus incident reports, reports from designated Campus Security Authorities and from the local NYPD precinct. The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes, including those that involve sexual misconduct, emergency, and evacuation procedures. This data is reported to the United States Department of Education via an annual web-based data collection. This Annual Report is published prior to October 1st of each year and distributed to all students and employees via the college website. Current students and employees will be notified via email of the Annual Security and Fire Safety Report’s publication. As required, this report is available to all students, faculty and staff annually. This report is posted on the Queens College website in the Public Safety section at https://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/security/Pages/default.aspx; to obtain a written copy of the report, please contact the Public Safety Department at 718-997-5912.

Public Safety Authority

Queens College main campus grounds, the contiguous geographic perimeter of the main campus, the off-campus sites, the entry gates, and the parking areas are patrolled on a 24-hour basis by Public Safety Officers. Public Safety Officers are sworn law enforcement/NYS Peace Officers under Criminal Procedure Law 2.10 subsection 79 and have the power to make arrests in compliance with New York State Criminal Procedure Law. Public Safety Peace Officers receive training in accordance with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (NYS DCJS) training requirements for Public Safety Officers. Officers also participate in continual in-service training to maintain State compliance. At Queens College, incidents of a criminal nature that are reported to a Peace Officer are referred, with the complainant’s consent, to the New York City Police Department. The Public Safety Department conducts
administrative investigations involving CUNY policies, rules and regulations. These investigations may involve faculty, students, staff, and visitors on college property. Appropriate referrals necessitating further review and action may be made to the Student Affairs and/or Human Resources departments.

The Department consists of 1 Director, 3 Lieutenants, 5 Sergeants, 2 Specialists and 10 Peace Officers assigned to patrol the campus. Additionally, the college employs 34 Campus Security Assistants who are assigned to parking lots and other fixed posts. These Officers are licensed as NYS Licensed Security Guards and do not have arrest powers (outside of the powers of a private citizen).

The Public Safety Department also oversees the electronic intrusion alarm system that protects various buildings and monitors approximately 289 security surveillance cameras to ensure the safety of the college community. Supplementing these campus security systems are Emergency Pull Boxes that have been installed in hallways, stairways, restrooms and Emergency Assistance Call Boxes that are conspicuously located on campus grounds.

**Campus Security Authorities**

Members of the college community may make reports of crimes and security incidents to these officials. Each year, the Public Safety Department requests data, via campus e-mail, from these authorities for inclusion in this report.

The following persons are designated as Campus Security Authorities:

- Provost – **Elizabeth Hendrey** - Kiely Hall, Room 1106 – (718) 997-5900
- Vice President of Student Affairs – **Adam Rockman** – Student Union, Room 300 – (718) 997-5501
- Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs – **Jennifer Jarvis** - Frese Hall, Room 102 – (718) 997-5500
- Director of Student Advocacy and Appeals – **John Andrejack** - Frese, Room 201 – (718) 997-3515
- Director of SU Administration and Finance Office – **Vacant** - Student Union, Room 315 – (718) 997-3957
- Director of International Student & Scholars – **Patrick O’Connell** - King Hall, Room 207 – (718) 997-4438
- Director of Career Development & Internships – **Zavi Gunn** - Frese Hall, Room 213 – (718) 997-4466
- Director of Administration & Special Events – **Maria Fosco** - Frese Hall, Room 203A – (718) 997-4415
- Director of Special Services – **Mirian Detres-Hickey** - Frese Hall, Room 111 – (718) 997-5870
- Director of Minority Affairs – **Maureen Pierce-Anyan** - Frese Hall, Room 119 – (718) 997-5423
- Director of Public Safety/Security – **Beth LaManna** - Jefferson Hall, Room 201 – (718) 997-4443
- Interim Chief Diversity Officer and Title IX Coordinator – **Sharon Shulman** - Kiely Hall, Room 147 – (718) 997-5888
- Sexual Harassment Deputy Coordinator – **Vacant** - Kiely Hall, Room 147 – (718) 997-5888
- Director of Health Services – **Tsui-Fang Shen** - Frese Hall, Room 310 – (718) 997-2762
- Health Service Center Nurse – **Terri Calhoun** - Frese Hall, Room 310 – (718) 997-5527
Members of the college community may also make reports of crimes and security incidents to these officials. Each year, the Public Safety Department requests data via official letter request from these authorities for inclusion in this report.
Crime Reporting Procedures

Faculty, staff, students, and others who may be on campus or on the contiguous geographic perimeter of the campus are encouraged to promptly report any past crime, attempted crime, or actual criminal activity to the Public Safety Department. The Department will expeditiously respond to the reported condition and make necessary notifications to the local police precinct when appropriate. Criminal activities, as well as other emergencies, can be reported by:

1. Calling the Public Safety Department’s emergency telephone line by dialing 75912 from any campus telephone or 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911.

2. Using one of the Emergency Assistance (Blue light) call boxes located throughout the campus.

3. Reporting the information to any member of the Public Safety Department or in person at the Public Safety Office located at the Main Gate Entrance/Exit on Kissena Blvd.

4. Our counselors are strongly encouraged, when they deem it appropriate, to inform the persons they are counseling of all procedures to report crimes on a voluntary, confidential basis for inclusion in the annual disclosure of crime statistics.

5. Victims or witnesses may report crimes to persons designated as Campus Security Authorities, who will then forward only the report of the crime without divulging the name of victim or witness to the Department of Public Safety for inclusion in the annual crime report. Names and numbers of Campus Security Authorities are located in the prior section of this report. The College recognizes the importance of confidentiality to victims and witnesses of crimes. For the purposes of providing crime statistics pursuant to the Clery Act in the College’s annual crime report, victim and witness information will not be included. However, complete confidentiality cannot be guaranteed in all other contexts. The College reserves the right to notify the police when it believes that such reporting is necessary for the protection of the College community. In many cases, however, that notification will be done without divulging the victim’s identity and will be done only for providing a campus-wide safety alert.

6. The College has established a confidential TIP LINE as an alternate means by which individuals can relay valuable information in an anonymous manner. The College’s goal is to provide a service to receive information from those individuals who are reluctant to become involved in reporting criminal activity and who realize that an injustice has occurred. The Anonymous Tip Line Number is 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911.

7. A Behavioral Intervention Team (BIT), has been created to identify, investigate, assess, refer, monitor and take action in response to behaviors exhibited by a member of the college community that may pose a threat. The purpose of BIT is to provide for the safety, health, and well-being of all its students, faculty, and staff. You can obtain more information on BIT and make a BIT referral by going to the following web page: [https://www.qc.cuni.edu/about/administration/affairs/Documents/BIT%20handout.pdf](https://www.qc.cuni.edu/about/administration/affairs/Documents/BIT%20handout.pdf)

8. In the event you observe or are involved in an extreme or life-threatening situation call 911, the New York City emergency phone number. A call should also be made to the college Public Safety Department at 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911 to expedite and direct responding emergency personnel to your location.

Reporting and Prevention of Sexual Misconduct including Sexual Assault, Harassment, Stalking and Dating/Intimate Partner and Domestic Violence:

The City University of New York policy on Sexual Assault is attached to the end of this report. To directly view a copy of the City University of New York Policy on Sexual Misconduct by clicking the following link: [CUNY Sexual Misconduct Policy](https://www.qc.cuni.edu/about/administration/affairs/Documents/BIT%20handout.pdf)
Allegations of sexual misconduct including sexual harassment, sexual assault, stalking, or domestic and dating/intimate partner violence should be reported to one of the individuals listed below:

**The Queens College Title IX Coordinator:** Chief Diversity Officer/Director, Office of Compliance and Diversity Programs, Kiely Hall, Room 147, 718-997-5888

**Public Safety:** Beth LaManna, Director of Public Safety and Security, Jefferson Hall, Room 201, 718-997-4443, beth.lamanna@qc.cuny.edu

**Public Safety:** Jose Sanchez, Lieutenant of Public Safety and Security, Public Safety Office at the Main Gate, 718-997-5912/5911, jose.sanchez@qc.cuny.edu

**Public Safety:** Deborah Huggins, Lieutenant of Public Safety and Security, Public Safety Office at the Main Gate, 718-997-5912/5911, deborah.huggins@qc.cuny.edu

**Public Safety:** Hemwatie Seusarran, Lieutenant of Public Safety and Security, Public Safety Office at the Main Gate, 718-997-5912/5911, hemwatie.seusarran@qc.cuny.edu

**Student Affairs:** Jennifer Jarvis, Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs, Frese Hall, Room 102, 718-997-5500, jennifer.jarvis@qc.cuny.edu

**Human Resources:** Lee Kelly, Director of Human Resources, Kiely Hall, Room 163, 718-997-4455, lee.kelly@qc.cuny.edu

QUEENS COLLEGE TITLE IX:
http://www1.cuny.edu/sites/title-ix/?post_type=campus_profile&p=154

For more detailed information on Title IX including community and campus specific resources, please also see CUNY policies, Getting Help, Understanding and Preventing Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment at Campus Title IX Webpages and click on the campus you would like more information on.

**Confidential Reporting Options**

If you are the victim of a crime and do not want to pursue action within the University system or the criminal justice system, you may still want to consider making a confidential report. With your permission, a Public Safety officer can file a report on the details of the incident without revealing your identity (except to the Title IX Coordinator in the event of a reported sex offense or sexual harassment). The purpose of a confidential report is to comply with your wish to keep the matter confidential, while taking steps to enhance the future safety of yourself and others. With such information, Queens College can keep an accurate record of the number of incidents involving students, employees and visitors; determine where there is a pattern of crime with regard to a particular location, method, or assailant; and alert the campus community to potential danger. Reports filed in this manner are counted and disclosed in the annual crime statistics for the institution. Pastoral and professional counselors are encouraged to refer persons they are counseling to report crimes to Public Safety on a voluntary, confidential basis for inclusion in the annual security report by following this procedure.

Any on-campus crime witnessed by a University student or employee must be reported to the Department of Public Safety as soon as possible. The Department of Public Safety is responsible for reporting and follow-up investigation when an incident is reported. All University students, employees, and visitors should exercise responsibility for their own safety while on campus.
Citizen Complaints
Complaints regarding security personnel should be forwarded to the Director of Public Safety. All such complaints will be fully investigated and appropriate corrective action taken.

Clery Crime Log
All crimes that are reported to the Queens College Public Safety Department are annotated in the Public Safety Crime Log. All reportable criminal incidents are logged into the book provided that they occurred in the reportable geographic area of the college campus (on campus and public property), whether or not they are Clery-classified. It includes the following information: 1) date crime was reported, 2) date and time of the incident, 3) the nature of the crime, 4) the general location of the crime, 5) the disposition, if known and 6), special notes. The Clery Compliance Officer maintains the crime log and updates it on a daily basis. Any faculty, staff, student, visitor or vendor can view the crime log which is kept in the Public Safety Office located at the Main Gate Entrance/Exit, during normal business hours. The log is in hardcopy format. The log is updated less than two business days after the latest report comes in. If no reports are made during 30 calendar days, it is automatically updated. The log contains incidents for the past 2 calendar years. If you wish to review entries as far back as 7 calendar years, please make this request in person or call the office at 718-997-4443. Your request will be granted within two regular business days. Information may be temporarily withheld from the log when it would jeopardize an ongoing investigation, jeopardize the safety of an individual, cause a suspect to flee or evade detection, or result in the destruction of evidence.

Working Relationship with Other Law Enforcement Agencies
The Queens College Public Safety Department maintains a cooperative relationship with local, state and federal law enforcement agencies. A written Memorandum of Understanding exists between CUNY colleges and the New York City Police Department (NYPD) in compliance with New York State Law. The NYPD provides the college with crime statistics for incidents that occurred within the geographical area of the campus in compliance with the Department of Education’s Students Right to Know Act.

Investigations of Violent Felonies
In accordance with New York State Education Law, Queens College maintains a plan for the investigation of violent felonies, which includes coordination with appropriate law enforcement agencies. In addition, in compliance with New York State Law and subject to applicable federal law, including, but not limited to, the federal Campus Sexual Assault Victims’ Bill of Rights under Title 20 U.S. Code 1092 (f) which gives the victim of a sexual offense the right to decide whether or not to report, the College will notify the appropriate law enforcement agency within 24 hours of receiving a report of a violent felony.

The Public Safety Department conducts investigations involving CUNY rules and policies. These investigations may involve faculty, students, staff and visitors of the college. If necessary, further review and action may be referred to the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, Human Resources or other administrative staff.

Hate Crime and Bias Related Incidents
Bias or hate crimes are crimes motivated by the perpetrator's bias or attitude against an individual victim or group based on perceived or actual personal characteristics, such as their race, color, creed, national origin, ethnicity, ancestry, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, disability or alienage. Bias-related incidents are behaviors which constitute an expression of hostility against the person or property of another because of the targeted person's race, color, creed, national origin, ethnicity, ancestry, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender,
According to New York Penal Law Section 485, a person commits a hate crime when he or she commits a specified criminal offense and either:

1. intentionally selects the person against whom the offense is committed or intended to be committed in whole or in substantial part because of a belief or perception regarding the race, color, national origin, ancestry, gender, religion, religious practice, age, disability or sexual orientation of a person, regardless of whether the belief or perception is correct, or

2. Intentionally commits the act or acts constituting the offense in whole or in substantial part because of a belief or perception regarding the race, color, national origin, ancestry, gender, religion, religious practice, age, disability or sexual orientation of a person, regardless of whether the belief or perception is correct.

Examples of hate crimes may include, but are not limited to: threatening phone calls, hate mail (including electronic mail), physical assaults, vandalism, destruction of property, and fire bombings. Penalties for bias-related crimes are very serious and range from fines to imprisonment for lengthy periods, depending on the nature of the underlying criminal offense, the use of violence or previous conviction of the offender. Students, staff or faculty who commit bias crimes are also subject to University disciplinary procedures and a range of sanctions up to and including suspension, expulsion or termination of employment.

In order to effectively handle incidents of bias related crimes and prevent future occurrences of such crimes, victims or witnesses of a hate crime are encouraged to immediately report the incident to the Public Safety Department. Victims of bias crime can also avail themselves of counseling and support services through the Office of Student Services.

There were a total of two (2) reported Hate Crimes for the year 2017 – classified as religious biased destruction/damage/vandalism.

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**Reported Hate Crimes**

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**Off Campus Organizations Crimes and Safety Hazard Monitoring**

The college does not have any recognized off-campus student organizations or housing facilities.

**Disclosure of Hearing Outcomes**

The University 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 the University against a student who is the alleged perpetrator of such crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as the 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.
Security and Access to College Facilities

Campus Facilities
Queens College is a commuter school with on-campus housing. All students, faculty and staff should possess a College ID card which must be presented to a College official or Public Safety personnel upon request. Access to campus buildings is limited to faculty, staff, students, guests and visitors who are conducting official college business. When entering upon campus grounds, all faculty, staff and students are required to display their college identification card upon the request of a College Official.

Nights and weekend access, The Office of Public Safety is informed of all officially approved activities scheduled to take place on campus. According to this schedule, it secures all buildings and all gates in the evenings and on weekends by 11:00 PM.

Administrators, faculty and staff are issued keys to their respective offices and/or buildings. All buildings are locked after scheduled classes or special events. During non-business hours when the college is closed entry to buildings is not allowed except with written authorization. The college also maintains a Central Station alarm monitoring station on campus.

The Library is open to students, faculty, staff, as well as other CUNY students. Library hours are posted in the calendar/hours tab on the web at https://library.qc.cuny.edu/. During midterms and finals, the Library may have extended hours to accommodate Queens College students. The College reserves the right to refuse entry or remove anyone regardless of status for rule infractions or safety reasons.

Identification Cards
New students, faculty and staff are required to obtain an identification card inside the Q-Card office located in the Dining Hall room 128. While on campus students, faculty, and staff must possess a Queens College ID Card. The ID card is the property of the College and must be presented upon request of a College Official. If your card is lost/stolen please go to the Q-Card office located in the Dining Hall room 116 to pay a replacement fee of $10.00. If you are no longer a student/faculty/staff, your ID card must be returned to the Public Safety Department.

College Issued Keys
Administrators, faculty, and staff are issued keys to their respective offices and/or buildings. It is your responsibility to safeguard the keys issued to you. If you lose College keys it must be reported to Public Safety so an incident report can be filed. All buildings are locked after scheduled classes or special events. During non-business hours, when the College is closed, entry to buildings is not allowed except with prior written authorization and approval by Department Chairperson.

Guests
All visitors are expected to comport themselves in a manner consistent with an academic environment. Guests must identify themselves to Public Safety at the entry gate upon arrival. Public Safety will require a valid identification and the guests will be signed in. Guests will only be allowed in if they have official business. Guests are subject to the instruction of Public Safety personnel as well as Administrative staff. A guest attending an event will be asked to leave if they appear to be intoxicated or refuse to follow directives given by Public Safety or Administrative staff.
Permission to enter onto the college property is revocable at any time. Persons not having a legitimate purpose to be on campus may be asked to leave by Public Safety personnel. Trespass warnings are posted at all common entrances. All vehicles parking on campus must display a valid parking permit. Vehicles without permits should stop at the main entrance gate to be granted permission to park on campus depending on availability. We ask for your cooperation in promoting a safe and secure college environment. If you see something unusual or someone acting suspiciously, please report it to Public Safety immediately.

Security Considerations Used in the Maintenance of Campus Facilities
The Public Safety Department is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Central Operations are located in the Main Gate where Public Safety Officers monitor approximately 289 interior/exterior surveillance cameras, a security alarm system, a key control system, the emergency phone line, and maintain a log book of all the reported incidents, events and campus conditions. While conducting patrols, officers must report potential safety and security hazards, as well as entry door problems, elevator malfunctions and Automated External Defibrillator (AED) operating conditions to the central operator.

The central operator keeps accountability of the officers/supervisors that are on duty and dispatches them as needed to different areas of the campus. The central operator is responsible for contacting appropriate personnel if a campus condition is reported (i.e., Buildings and Grounds, Environmental Health and Safety, Information Technology, etc.). Any conditions which appear unsafe should be directly reported to any Public Safety Officer as soon as possible. All Public Safety personnel carry two-way mobile radios programmed through a repeater to enhance effectiveness. A special two-way radio is also located at Central Operations that can communicate with other CUNY campuses. All Public Safety supervisors’ radios can communicate with the local precinct during emergency situations.

Along with the Office of the Vice President of Administration and Finance, Campus Facilities, and Physical Plant Services, the Director of Public Safety conducts ongoing reviews of campus grounds and facilities. Special emphasis is placed on the need to ensure safe accessibility to buildings with special attention to landscape hazards, as well as inadequate lighting. In addition, all Public Safety personnel report potential safety and security hazards as well as entry door problems, elevator malfunctions and Automated External Defibrillator (AED) operating conditions while on patrol.

Security Escort Service
The Department of Public Safety operates a safety escort service 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. A college affiliate can request a security escort by dialing 75912 or 75911 from any on-campus phone, or 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911 from a cell phone. A member of the Public Safety staff may provide a security escort off of the premises directly across the street from the campus.

Emergency Phones
There are several telephones located on the exterior of campus buildings that may be used to report emergencies. A blue light is located above these phones for ease of identification.

Emergency Notification and Response
The purpose of this policy is to establish emergency response and evacuation procedures for Queens College, as required by the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008. This policy applies to all students and employees of Queens College.

The Emergency Response Team is comprised of representatives from the following College Departments: Information Technology, Student Development, Facilities Management, Finance, Auxiliary Services, Human Resources, Legal
Counsel, Student Health Center, University Communications and Marketing, Purchasing, Risk Management, and Public Safety.

For the purposes of this policy a significant emergency or dangerous situation involves an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees occurring on campus. In the event of an emergency, Queens College will initiate and provide, without delay, immediate notifications to the appropriate segment(s) of the University community upon the confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students, employees and visitors.

**CUNY Alert**

All students, as well as faculty and staff are strongly encouraged to participate in the CUNY Alert system. The CUNY Alert system is designed to give you immediate and up-to-date information regarding weather, utility, and emergency situations. The system can contact you and family or friends, as you designate, via text message, cell phone, landline and/or e-mail. The system can offer all methods of notice, a single method or any combination. It is user friendly and can prove to be invaluable before, during, and after an emergency. Simply log onto www.cuny.edu/alert and follow the instructions. Contact information for all registered students and employees is included in the CUNY Alert system, except for the contact information for those students who affirmatively choose to opt out of receiving CUNY Alert messages. If you have trouble accessing or modifying your contact information in CUNY Alert, please go to the IT help desk.

The system is activated via a web-based system controlled by the New York State Office of Emergency Management. CUNYAlert is the CUNY branded emergency alert system that is based on the NYAlert system operated by New York State. CUNY makes every effort to inform affected CUNY Alert registered users of an emergency in a timely and appropriate manner. However, please be aware that CUNY is not responsible for outdated or incorrect subscriber information, technical limitations such as overtaxed communications systems, transmission errors, and cellular telephone roaming and out of range areas that may delay, block or prevent, the communications of messages to certain users. CUNY also is not responsible for any costs incurred by the user for any alert received or for any actions taken or not taken by the user or any third party in reliance of an alert.

CUNY is committed to respecting your privacy. In order to personalize your CUNY Alert settings, you must sign in at http://www.qc.cuny.edu/Emergency/Pages/default.aspx. We do not collect any personal information about you unless you provide that information voluntarily. Any personal information you choose to provide us will only be used by CUNY to conduct official CUNY business. CUNY does not sell, rent, loan, trade or lease personal information collected on this site. For more information about the CUNY privacy policy, please visit http://www.cuny.edu/website/privacy.html.

CUNY Alert users are responsible for keeping their contact information current. In the event that phone alert, email or SMS messages are not found or rejected for incorrect or expired information during a live alert, CUNY reserves the right to delete the problem entry or to deactivate a user’s account.

As used in this policy, authorized Public Safety personnel are: the Director of Public Safety, Deputy Director, Lieutenants, Sergeants, Dispatchers and Officers who have been trained in the use of the emergency notification system.
Emergency Notification Procedures

Any individual on campus who has information about an emergency or dangerous situation that may affect the Queens College campus must notify the Department of Public Safety as soon as possible.

Queens College will initiate and provide, without delay, emergency notifications to the College community upon the confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students, employees and visitors occurring on the campus.

The Queens College Department of Public Safety is responsible for confirming emergencies, in conjunction with College Administrators, local first responders, and/or the National Weather Service, that may warrant the distribution of an emergency notification to the Queens College community.

Emergency notification for incidents that may pose an immediate threat to health and safety will be made, without delay, unless issuing a notification will, in the professional judgment of responsible authorities and taking into account the safety of the College community, compromise efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

Timely Warnings

The Timely Warning Notice specifically related to compliance with the Federal Clery Act, requires colleges and universities to notify students and employees whenever there is a threat that a serious crime is ongoing or may be repeated-- so that campus community members can protect themselves from harm. The Clery Act defines certain specific crimes that require a timely warning notice to be issued when crimes are reported to Campus Security Authorities (CSA’s) with significant responsibility for student and campus activities, campus safety, or the local police AND the reported crime(s) are believed to have occurred on campus, in or on non-campus buildings or property, or on public property contiguous to the campus.

Campus officials not subject to the timely warning reporting requirement include licensed or certified professional counselors and recognized pastoral counselors who are functioning in the role of providing confidential counseling to members of the Queens College community on behalf of the institution.

The Department of Public Safety will issue crime alerts for crimes occurring on the Queens College Clery Geography (On Campus, Public Property, and Non-campus property), that present a serious or continuing threat to the campus community as required by the timely warning notice requirements of the Jeanne Clery Act to aid in the prevention of similar occurrences. Timely warning notices will be distributed as soon as practicable, with the goal of preventing similar occurrences. The identities of victims and witnesses will not be included in the Timely Warning Notice.

Individuals on campus should notify the Department of Public Safety of crimes as soon as possible. The Department of Public Safety will gather all pertinent information about the nature of the crime from the reporting person and other available sources (these may include, but are not limited to other witnesses, the campus surveillance system, the ID card access system, and the Department of Public Safety).

1. Based on the information available, the Director of Public Safety or his designee shall determine whether the crime presents a serious or continuing threat to the campus community. Crime Alerts are typically issued for the following Uniform Crime Reporting Program (UCR)/National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) crime classifications:
   a. Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter
b. Aggravated Assault (cases involving assaults among known parties, such as two roommates fighting which results in an aggravated injury, will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis to determine if the individual is believed to be an ongoing threat to the college community)

c. Robbery involving force or violence (cases including pick pocketing and purse snatching will typically not result in the issuance of a Crime Alert, but will be assessed on a case-by-case basis)

d. Sexual Assault (considered on a case-by-case basis depending on the facts of the case, when and where the incident occurred, when it was reported, and the amount of information known by the Director of Public Safety, or designee). In cases involving sexual assault, they are often reported long after the incident occurred, thus there is no longer the opportunity to distribute a Crime Alert as a “timely” warning notice to the community. All cases of sexual assault, including stranger and non-stranger/acquaintance cases, will be assessed for potential issuance of a Crime Alert.

e. Major incidents of Arson

2. Timely Warnings may be issued for other Clery crimes as determined necessary by the Director of Public Safety, or his/her designee in his/her absence. Notices for other crime classifications and locations, even though not required by the law, may be issued as Public Safety Advisories.

3. Based on the information available, the Director of Public Safety or his/her designee shall determine the content of the Crime Advisory, the method by which to disseminate the warning to the campus community, and will issue/initiate the distribution of the Crime Advisory.

4. Crime Alerts will typically be issued to all current students and employees via email using the College email accounts. Crime Alerts may also be issued using some or all of the following methods of communication: Posters, campus newspaper or the college website. The content of the Crime Alert may include but is not limited to the nature of the crime, the area where the crime occurred, a description of the suspect(s), and safety tips. It is the responsibility of the Director of Public Safety or his/her designee to determine whether a crime presents a serious or continuing threat to the campus community and issue a Crime Alert if necessary.

5. The Director of Public Safety’s designee may include: the Deputy/Assistant Director of Public Safety, Lieutenant, and Sergeants after consulting with a higher authority.

Immediate Notifications

Unless such notice and warning compromises the containment of an emergency, or would likely result in an expansion or exacerbation of an emergency, immediate notification of an emergency will take place through one – or a combination of – the following methodologies:

1) CUNY- Alert
2) Verbal announcement through the building Class E fire control system if a fire or smoke issue is detected
3) Campus-wide e-mail blast
4) School web-site notice

The following personnel are authorized to make such announcements: President or his/her designee, Public Safety Director or his/her designee, Queens College Dean or his or her designee, Chief Student Affairs Officer or his or her designee. Again, please note that a circumstance may arise in which it would not be prudent or appropriate to issue an immediate notification if such release would compromise efforts to contain the emergency.

Emergency Response and Evacuation Procedures

Queens College maintains an Emergency Response Plan that outlines responsibilities of campus units during emergencies. This plan outlines incident priorities, campus organization and specific responsibilities of particular units or positions. The plan is available online at: http://www.qc.cuny.edu/emergency/Pages/default.aspx
The main goal of the Queens College Emergency Response Plan is the preservation of life, protection of property, and the continuity of campus operations. Other objectives include but are not limited to:

- Delegation of responsibility to emergency personnel.
- Coordination of emergency operations with external agencies such as the NYPD, FDNY, NYC Emergency Management, etc.

The emergency response and evacuation procedures are tested at least twice each year. Students and employees are given information about the locations of the emergency exits in the buildings and are provided with the designated assembly areas for each facility for a short-term building evacuation. The Department of Public Safety does not tell building occupants in advance about the designated locations for long-term evacuations because those decisions are affected by time of day, the location of the building being evacuated, the availability of the various designated emergency gathering locations on campus, and other factors such as the location and nature of the threat. In both cases, Public Safety staff on-scene will communicate information to students regarding the developing situation or any evacuation status changes.

During an emergency, the College may use the Public Address system to advise the college community of procedures to be followed. The Public Safety Department is authorized to make such announcements. Public Safety personnel will also assist in directing building occupants to a safe location. The building will remain unoccupied until deemed safe to re-enter by emergency personnel.

Testing of Emergency Response and Evacuation Procedures
The College conducts three (3) fire drills per year, one of which must be conducted during the first week of the summer session to ensure compliance with NY Education Law 807. During these drills, building occupants are familiarized with campus evacuation procedures. Each building has assigned fire/evacuation floor wardens who provide training and direction to the College community during drills and actual emergency events.

Fire Emergency Plan
Floor wardens and searchers are designated to serve specific areas of the building. When appropriate, they will be activated. They are trained to assist with the evacuation process throughout the campus. Their job is to facilitate evacuations and common space assembly of all kinds and to pass information to the fire safety command station. Please comply with their directions.

When fire alarms ring, please make note of the announcement that immediately follows. It will provide you with instructions on where to assemble. If a false alarm occurs, an “all clear” announcement will follow via the fire command response system. Treat all fire alarms as real unless otherwise directed by the floor wardens or members of the Public Safety Staff. Below are general guidelines for dealing with a fire. But remember, WHEN IN DOUBT CALL 911.

1) Be familiar with the location of stairways, fire extinguishers, fire exits, and pull boxes in the buildings.
2) If a minor fire appears controllable, immediately contact (personally or preferably have someone else call) the Department of Public Safety at 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911. Locate a portable fire extinguisher. Then promptly direct the discharge of the fire extinguisher toward the base of the flame by squeezing the trigger and moving the hose in a side-to-side motion. Do not use water extinguishers on electrical fires.
3) In the case of large fires that do not appear controllable, immediately activate a fire pull station and, if time permits, call 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911 to report the exact location of the fire. If time permits, close the door of the room where the fire exists.
4) When the building evacuation alarm is sounded, always assume that an emergency exists. Touch closed doors; do not open them if they are hot. If the door is cool, brace yourself behind the door and open it slowly. Bracing yourself behind the door prevents the door from being blown open due to the pressure created by the fire. Walk quickly to the nearest exit and alert others to do the same. Do not use the elevators during a fire.

5) Smoke is the greatest danger in a fire, so stay near the floor where the air will be less toxic.

6) Once outside, move to a clear area at least 100 feet away from the affected building. Keep streets, fire lanes, hydrants and walkways clear for emergency vehicles and crews. These essential personnel must be allowed to do their jobs.

7) Do not return to an evacuated building unless told to do so by a College official.

8) If you become trapped in a building during a fire and a window is available, place an article of clothing (shirt, coat, etc.) outside the window as a marker for rescue crews. If possible, place a wet cloth at the base of doors to keep smoke from entering. Shout at regular intervals to alert emergency crews of your location. Dampen a cloth with water, place it over your nose, and breathe lightly through it. It is understood that these items may not be available to you—hence the importance of moving quickly and knowing your escape routes.

9) Should your clothing catch fire, stop, drop and roll. Rolling on the ground will help smother the fire; this is in fact very effective.

Hostile Intruder
When an intruder in a campus building is actively causing deadly harm or presents the threat of imminent deadly harm to people, immediately seek cover and contact 911 and the Public Safety Department, if at all possible. Remember only call 911 when it is safe to do so, give as many details as possible regarding location, number of assailants, means of aggression and other pertinent information. When a hostile intruder is actively causing deadly harm or the threat of imminent deadly harm to people on the campus grounds, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security recommends the following course of action:

1) **“RUN” / EVACUATE** – if you can safely do so, run as fast as you can. Have an escape route and plan in mind. If outside, use buildings, trees, shrubs, and cars as cover. Leave your belongings behind. If you can get away from the immediate area of danger, summon help and warn others.

2) **HIDE OUT** - If you decide to hide, take into consideration the area in which you are hiding. Hide where you are out of the aggressor’s view. Stay as quiet and calm as possible. Block entry to your hiding place and lock the doors (if possible). Silence all electronic devices.

3) **“FIGHT” / TAKE ACTION** – Only do this as a last resort and only when your life is in imminent danger. If you choose to confront the aggressor, use all manner of materials at hand as weapons, including books, chairs, or any object near at hand. Act with physical aggression and throw items at the aggressor. You can choose to play dead if other victims are around you. Do not give your position away or stand-up until Public Safety or civil authorities give an “all-clear” signal.

Bomb Threat Response Plan
While it is important to note that the overwhelming majority of bomb threats are unfounded, it is the policy of the College that they must be taken seriously. Each threat will be thoroughly investigated and will be considered suspect until all avenues of investigation have been explored.

1. A suspicious looking box, package, object, or container in or near your work area may be a bomb or explosive material. Do not handle or touch the object. Move to a safe area (far from the object) and call the Department of Public Safety immediately at 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911. Do not operate any electronic devices, radios, or light (power) switches.

2. If you receive a bomb threat, remain calm and try to obtain as much information as possible from the caller. Specifically try to ascertain the following:
   a. The location of the device.
b. The time, if any, the device is scheduled to go off.
c. The appearance or type of container used for the device.
d. The reason for placing the device.
e. The size of the bomb.
f. The type of explosive used in the device.
g. The name of the caller or organization taking responsibility.
h. Any additional information that might be available.

3. The person receiving the call should note the following:
   a. Male or female voice.
   b. Time of call.
   c. Mood of caller (excited, nervous, calm, and despondent).
   d. Background noises that may be present at the location of the caller.
   e. Approximate age of the caller.
   f. Any other peculiarities that may be helpful in identifying the source of the call or its purpose.

4. The police will be called and the building may be subject to full or partial evacuation. When evacuating the building, use only the stairs. Do not use elevators. Move well away from the building and follow the instructions of floor coordinators and emergency personnel on-scene.

5. If there is an explosion:
   a. Immediately take cover under sturdy furniture.
   b. Stay away from the windows.
   c. Do not light matches.
   d. Move well away from the site of the explosion to a safe location.
   e. Use stairs only, do not use elevators.

**Medical Emergencies**

All medical emergencies should be reported immediately to Public Safety at 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911. Public Safety personnel are trained first responders and will render aid until emergency personnel arrives.

1. If the medical emergency is life threatening, Public Safety will respond with emergency equipment. Public Safety will notify 911. When available, a Public Safety EMT will be dispatched to the scene to provide patient assessment and care under NYC Basic Life Support treatment protocols. A Public Safety Officer will then escort arriving emergency personnel to the scene.
2. If a medical problem is non-life threatening, responding Public Safety officer will assess the victim and will escort/transport the victim to Health Services if they can safely be moved.
3. Aid will not be given to a patient who knowingly and willingly refuses it. If the victim refuses medical aid, the Public Safety Officer will document the victim’s refusal of care and have the victim sign the written record. Any refusal to sign will be documented.

**Mental Health Medical Emergencies**

The balance of the demands of school and personal life can be challenging. Counseling Services provides individual, group, and ESL support services to students currently enrolled at Queens College. Counseling sessions are confidential. Sessions generally last 45 minutes and are usually held once a week. The Counseling office is located in Frese Hall and their telephone number is 718-997-5420.

1. If there is no imminent physical danger, you can speak to a counselor in Frese Hall. If a Counselor is not available, please contact Public Safety for additional resources.
2. Whenever an individual demonstrates or reports a risk of self-destructive or suicidal behavior, immediate assistance is needed and Public Safety should be notified immediately at 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911. Public Safety will take necessary measures to ensure their safety and refer them to appropriate resources.

Utility Failures

Power Failure
The following actions are to be taken by members of the College community in the event of a power failure:

1. Report any power failure immediately to Public Safety at 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911. In the event of a building wide power failure, phones may not function. The office can be reached at Emergency Telephone line 718-891-5732 (only works if power is shut down). If no other emergency situation exists, you can come to the front desk in the Public Safety Office.
2. In the event of loss of power in any building, an emergency generator will supply low-level light until power is restored.
3. Having a flashlight attached to a key chain, belt clip or in a bag may be helpful even when not in the school. Never use candles.
4. During daylight, add as much natural lighting as possible by raising blinds.
5. Faculty with classes should remain where they are until notified otherwise.
6. During a power failure or possible power failure, never use an elevator. If you become trapped in an elevator during a power outage, use the emergency “Call for Help” button in the elevator to contact Public Safety. Wait for assistance. Don’t panic.
7. Once power is restored, Public Safety will make an announcement using the College’s public address system. Evacuation may not be necessary during a power failure.

Plumbing Problem/Flooding
Cease using all electrical equipment. Notify Public Safety immediately at 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911. If necessary, vacate the area and prevent anyone else from entering. If a toilet overflows or water is accumulating in a given area, contact Buildings and Grounds at 73520.

Gas Leaks
Gas leaks are very rare but can be very serious. If you smell gas, go to a safe area and contact Public Safety at 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911. Do not use a mobile phone near a gas leak whether here or at home. Gas vapors can be ignited by static electricity.

Biological, Chemical Spill Response or Nuclear Attack Procedures:
1. In the event of a biological or chemical spill, Queens College Environmental Health and Safety Officer William Graffeo will be contacted at 718-997-2881. Buildings and Grounds and Public Safety will respond along with the EHS Officer who will determine the actions to follow.
2. Upon receiving confirmation of an imminent or ongoing biological or chemical spill that poses great risk to life at the College, the President or her designee shall declare a campus-wide emergency. This state of emergency may initiate a lockdown of the building and/or its total evacuation. Note: Notification will be made via college website, voicemail, emergency communication response system and/or CUNY-ALERT if at all possible.
3. Building occupants will be kept informed of changes as they develop by college officials. The following actions will be taken if necessary:
   a. building wide air-handlers will be turned off and intakes sealed if possible
   b. building occupants will be directed to enclosed areas of the building unless otherwise directed by civil authorities to provide the most insulation
   c. updates on emergency will be given, if practicable, by the same methodologies as indicated above.
Publication of Emergency Procedures

Emergency response and evacuation procedures are published annually via the Annual Security Report. The Public Safety Department encourages members of the college community to use this report as a guide for safe practices both on and off campus. Paper copies are available by calling 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911 or in the Public Safety Department, located in Jefferson Hall room 201.

Crime Prevention & Security Awareness Programs

The Public Safety Department issues safety alert bulletins (paper/email) when deemed necessary to the campus community when serious crimes occur in areas on or near the campus. The Department maintains a relationship with the New York City police precincts that are responsible for the surrounding areas of the campus perimeter and providing additional response assistance. All persons reporting crimes to the Public Safety Department are encouraged to promptly report the incident to the local police precinct concerned. A record of each report made to the local precincts is maintained as part of the Public Safety Department’s annual statistical report.

Crime prevention is a high priority for the Public Safety Department and the College community. The Department encourages community members to be vigilant and aware of their surroundings, both on and off campus, and to take responsibility for their own safety and security and that of others. Crime prevention seminars are scheduled each semester and members of the college community are encouraged to actively participate.

All incoming students receive information about campus crime prevention programs, CUNY’s Sexual Misconduct Policy and awareness and prevention of sexual misconduct (as defined in CUNY’s Policy on Sexual Misconduct) during initial orientation. Along with the office of the Vice President of Administration and Finance, Campus Facilities, and Campus Planning, the Director of Public Safety conducts on-going reviews of campus grounds and facilities. Special emphasis is placed on the need to ensure safe accessibility to buildings with special attention to landscape hazards, as well as inadequate lighting. All public safety personnel, while on patrol, report potential safety and security hazards as well as entry door problems and elevator malfunctions. Building engineers and cleaners report health and safety issues during the course of normal work assignments.

The Public Safety Department also provides students, faculty, and staff with crime prevention information, along with other safety related material, during scheduled events on campus as well as via email safety bulletins. Some of the education programs offered include:

1. **Crime Prevention Brochures**: Brochures are available from the PSD to the college community in the Public Safety office as well as tabling events around campus throughout the semester. Topics include: personal safety, crime prevention tips, and ID theft prevention.
2. **New Student/Employee Orientation**: Public Safety Officers meet with new students/employees during their orientation to provide them with an overview of the programs and services offered by the Department.
3. **Emergency Preparedness Training**: The Public Safety Department has NYS Division of Criminal Justice certified general topics instructors with special training and provides training to the College community for Active Shooter Incidents, Emergency Evacuations, Basic Fire Safety, Medical Emergencies, etc.
4. **Fire Safety Prevention Training**: Fire safety training is provided to designated fire wardens on campus. In addition, the Public Safety Department will provide fire safety training to faculty/staff upon request.
5. **Security surveys and vulnerability assessments**: The Public Safety Department conducts security surveys and vulnerability assessments to identify areas of the campus that present vulnerabilities to the safety of the College community. Public Safety personnel report potential safety and security hazards, and non-operational conditions (elevator, doors, lighting, etc.) for appropriate remediation.
6. **Operation Identification**: The Public Safety Department, along with the 107 Precinct NYPD Crime Prevention Officer(s), will obtain identifying information to register portable valuables so that they can be returned to their rightful owner in the event they are recovered after being lost or stolen.
7. **Security Escort Service**: The Public Safety Department provides security escorts to all students, faculty, and staff on campus upon request. If you are working late on campus and would like an escort to the parking lot or bus stop, please call Public Safety at 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911 approximately 15 minutes prior to your departure time.

8. **Other Educational Programs**: The Public Safety Department can provide training for your educational programs free of charge on other topics not listed above. We offer a variety of programming on Active Shooter, Emergency Preparedness, Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness, What is Consent, Rape Aggression Defense (RAD), Workplace Violence and Bystander Intervention, to name a few.

Please visit our website at [https://www2.cuny.edu/about/university-resources/emergency-preparedness/publicsafety/](https://www2.cuny.edu/about/university-resources/emergency-preparedness/publicsafety/) for more information. To request an officer to speak at your event, contact us in advance at 646-664-2911.

**COLLEGE REGULATIONS/CODE OF CONDUCT:**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC ORDER PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 129-A OF THE EDUCATION LAW (THE “HENDERSON RULES.”)**

The tradition of the University as a sanctuary of academic freedom and center of informed discussion is an honored one which is to be guarded vigilantly. The basic significance of that sanctuary lies in the protection of intellectual freedom: the rights of professors to teach, of scholars to engage in the advancement of knowledge, and of students to learn and to express their views, free from external pressures or interference. These freedoms can flourish only in an atmosphere of mutual respect, civility, and trust among faculty and students, and only when members of the University community are willing to accept self-restraint and reciprocity as the condition upon which they share in its intellectual autonomy.

Academic freedom and the sanctuary of the University campus extend to all who share these aims and responsibilities. They cannot be invoked by those who would subordinate intellectual freedom to political ends, or who violate the norms of conduct established to protect that freedom. Against such offenders the University has the right, and indeed the obligation, to defend itself.

We accordingly announce the following rules and regulations to be in effect at each of our Colleges, which are to be administered in accordance with the requirements of due process as provided in the Bylaws of the Board of Higher Education.

With respect to enforcement of these rules and regulations, we note that the Bylaws of the Board of Higher Education provide that:

The President, with respect to his/her education unit, shall:

a. Have the affirmative responsibility of conserving and enhancing the educational standards of the College and schools under his/her jurisdiction;

b. Be the advisor and executive agent of the Board and of his/her respective College Committee and as such shall have the immediate supervision with full discretionary power in carrying into effect the Bylaws, resolutions, and policies of the Board, the lawful resolutions of the several faculties;

c. Exercise general superintendence over the concerns, officers, employees, and students of his/her educational unit.
1. A member of the academic community shall not intentionally obstruct and/or forcibly prevent others from the exercise of their rights. Nor shall s/he interfere with the institution’s educational processes or facilities, or the rights of those who wish to avail themselves of any of the institution’s instructional, personal, administrative, recreational, and community services.

2. Individuals are liable for failure to comply with lawful directions issued by representatives of the University/College when they are acting in their official capacities. Members of the academic community are required to show their identification cards when requested to do so by an Official of the College.

3. Unauthorized occupancy of University/College facilities, or blocking access to or from such areas is prohibited. Permission from appropriate college authorities must be obtained for removal, relocation, and use of University/College equipment and/or supplies.

4. Theft from, or damage to University/College premises or property, or theft of or damage to property of any person on University/College premises is prohibited.

5. Each member of the academic community or an invited guest has the right to advocate his/her position without having to fear abuse, physical, verbal, or otherwise, from others supporting conflicting points of view. Members of the academic community and other persons on the college grounds shall not use language or take actions reasonably likely to provoke or encourage physical violence by demonstrators, those demonstrated against, or spectators.

6. Action may be taken against any and all persons who have no legitimate reason for their presence on any campus within the University/College, or whose presence on any such campus obstructs and/or forcibly prevents others from the exercise of the rights or interferes with the institution’s educational processes or facilities, or the rights of those who wish to avail themselves of any of the institution's instructional, personal, administrative, recreational, and community services.

7. Disorderly or indecent conduct on University/College-owned or controlled property is prohibited.

8. No individual shall have in his possession a rifle, shotgun, or firearm or knowingly have in his possession any other dangerous instruments or material that can be used to inflict bodily harm on an individual or damage upon a building or the grounds of the University/College without the written authorization of such educational institution. Nor shall any individual have in his possession any other instrument or material which can be used and is intended to inflict bodily harm on any individual or damage upon a building or the grounds of the University/College.

9. Any action or situation which recklessly or intentionally endangers mental or physical health or involves the forced consumption of liquor or drugs for the purpose of initiation into or affiliation with any organization is prohibited.

10. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of illegal drugs or other controlled substances by University students or employees on University/College premises, or as part of any University/College activities is prohibited. Employees of the University must also notify the College Personnel Director of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace not later than five (5) days after such conviction.

11. The unlawful possession, use, or distribution of alcohol by students or employees on University/College premises or as part of any University/College activities is prohibited.
1. Any student engaging in any manner in conduct prohibited under the Bylaws, including the Henderson Rules, shall be subject to the following range of sanctions as hereafter defined: admonition, warning, censure, disciplinary probation, restitution, suspension, expulsions, ejection, and/or arrest by the civil authorities.

Admonition: An oral statement to the offender that he/she has violated university rules.

Warning: Notice to the offender, orally or in writing, that continuation or repetition of the wrongful conduct, within a period of the time stated in the warning, may be cause for more severe disciplinary action.

Censure: Written reprimand for violation of specified regulation, including the possibility of more severe disciplinary sanction in the event of conviction for the violation of any University regulation within a period stated in the letter of reprimand.

Disciplinary Probation: Exclusion from participation in privileges or extracurricular University activities as set forth in the notice of disciplinary probation for a specified period of time.

Restitution: Reimbursement for damage to, or misappropriation of, property. Reimbursement may take the form of appropriate service to repair or otherwise compensate for damages.

Suspension: Exclusion from classes and other privileges or activities as set forth in the notice of suspension for a definite period of time. This may include suspension from a residence hall. To the extent there are conditions placed on return to classes or privileges or activities, these will be set forth in the decision of the student disciplinary panel or in any resolution agreement that is reached.

Expulsion: Termination of student status for an indefinite period. This may include expulsion from a residence hall. The conditions of readmission, if any is permitted, shall in the order of expulsion.

2. Any tenured or non-tenured faculty member, or other member of the instructional staff, or member of the classified staff engaging in any manner of conduct prohibited under the Bylaws, the applicable employment contract and/or substantive Rules 1-11 shall be subject to the following range of penalties: warning, censure, restitution, fine not exceeding those permitted by law or by the Bylaws of The City University of New York or suspension with/without pay pending a hearing before an appropriate college authority, dismissal after a hearing, ejection, and/or arrest by the civil authorities, and, for engaging in any manner of conduct prohibited under substantive rule 10, may, in the alternative, be required to participate satisfactorily in an appropriately licensed drug treatment or rehabilitation program. A tenured or non-tenured faculty member, or other member of the instructional staff, or member of the classified staff charged with engaging in any manner of conduct prohibited under substantive Rules 1-11 shall be entitled to be treated in accordance with applicable provisions of the Education Law, or the Civil Service Law, or the applicable collective bargaining agreement, or the Bylaws or written policies of The City University of New York.

3. Any visitor, licensee, or invitee, engaging in any manner of conduct prohibited under the Bylaws, including the Henderson Rules 1-11, shall be subject to ejection, and/or arrest by the civil authorities.

4. Any organization which authorized the conduct prohibited under the Bylaws, including the Henderson rules 1-11, shall have its permission to operate on campus rescinded.

Penalties 1-4 shall be in addition to any other penalty provided by law or The City University Trustees.
ADDITIONAL CAMPUS RULES

Any student violating any law or regulation established by the College, University, City, State, or Federal Government (including the use of drugs), shall be subject to the formal disciplinary procedures as outlined in Articles 15.3 to 15.5 of the Board of Higher Education Bylaws and Sanctions as listed in the Board of Higher Education Bylaws and Article 129A of the Education Law (CUNY Henderson Rules). The initiation of disciplinary procedures requires notice to the student pursuant to 15.3 of the Board of Higher Education Bylaws.

In emergency or extraordinary circumstances, immediate suspension can be effectuated pending a hearing within seven (7) school days.

All other persons who violate New York State or Federal laws including those that govern gambling activities, the use of alcohol, and the possession, distribution, or consumption of any controlled substance will be subject to arrest.

WEAPONS POLICY

No one within the University community (including visitors), except Campus Peace Officers, pursuant to authorization of the College President, shall have in his/her possession a rifle, shotgun, firearm, or any other dangerous instrument or material that can be used to inflict bodily harm on an individual, damage to a building or campus.

University Policy Relating to Drugs and Alcohol

The City University of New York (“CUNY”) is an institution committed to promoting the physical, intellectual, and social development of all individuals. As such, CUNY seeks to prevent the abuse of drugs and alcohol, which can adversely impact performance and threaten the health and safety of students, employees, their families, and the general public. CUNY complies with all Federal, State, and local laws concerning the unlawful possession, use, and distribution of drugs and alcohol. Federal law requires that CUNY adopt and implement a program to prevent the use of illicit drugs and abuse of alcohol by students and employees. As part of its program, CUNY has adopted a policy, which sets forth (1) the standards of conduct that students and employees are expected to follow; (2) CUNY sanctions for the violation of this policy; and (3) responsibilities of the CUNY Colleges/units in enforcing this policy. CUNY’s policy also (1) sets forth the procedures for disseminating the policy, as well as information about the health risks of illegal drug and alcohol use, criminal sanctions for such use, and available counseling, treatment, or rehabilitation programs, to students and employees; and (2) requires each college to conduct a biennial review of drug and alcohol use and prevention on its campus. This policy applies to all CUNY students, employees and visitors when they are on CUNY property, including CUNY residence halls, as well as when they are engaged in any CUNY-sponsored activities off campus.

Who Needs to Know this Policy

All CUNY senior management, students, prospective students, employees, and prospective employees.

CUNY Standards of Conduct

The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of drugs or alcohol by anyone, on CUNY property (including CUNY residence halls), in CUNY buses or vans, or at CUNY sponsored activities is prohibited. In addition, CUNY employees are prohibited from illegally providing drugs or alcohol to CUNY students. Finally, no student may possess or consume alcoholic beverages, regardless of whether the student is of lawful age. In order to make informed choices about the use of drugs and alcohol, CUNY students and employees are expected to familiarize themselves with the information provided by CUNY about the physiological, psychological, and social consequences of substance abuse.
CUNY Sanctions
Employees and students who violate this policy are subject to sanctions under University policies, procedures and collective bargaining agreements as described below. Employees and students should be aware that, in addition to these CUNY sanctions, the University will contact appropriate law enforcement agencies if they believe that a violation of the policy should also be treated as a criminal matter. However, students should also be aware of CUNY’s Drug/Alcohol Use Amnesty Policy, described below.

Students
Students are expected to comply with the CUNY college polices with respect to drugs and alcohol. Any student found in violation may be subject to disciplinary action under Article 15 of the Bylaws of the Board of Trustees, which may result in sanctions up to and including expulsion from the University. In addition, any student who resides in a CUNY residence hall and who is found to have violated any CUNY or College policy with respect to drugs and alcohol may be subject to sanctions under the CUNY Residence Hall Disciplinary Procedures, up to and including expulsion from the residence hall. In lieu of formal disciplinary action, CUNY may, in appropriate cases, seek to resolve the matter through an agreement pursuant to which the student must see a counselor or successfully participate in a drug and alcohol treatment program. In accordance with Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act (“FERPA”), CUNY may also choose– when appropriate – to contact parents or legal guardians of students who have violated the CUNY policy on drugs and alcohol.

Standards that clearly prohibit the unlawful possession, use, sale or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol on college property or as part of any school activities can be found in the student handbook at www.qc.cuny.edu.

Employees
Any employee found to have violated this CUNY policy may be subject to disciplinary action, in accordance with the procedures set forth in applicable CUNY policies, rules, regulations, and collective bargaining agreements. Sanctions may include a reprimand, suspension without pay, or termination of employment. In lieu of formal disciplinary action, CUNY may, in appropriate cases, seek to resolve the matter through an agreement pursuant to which the employee must successfully participate in a drug or alcohol treatment program.

Standards that clearly prohibit the unlawful possession, use, sale or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol on college property or as part of any school activities can be found in the employee handbook at www.qc.cuny.edu.

Drug/Alcohol Use Amnesty Policy
CUNY encourages students to seek medical assistance related to drug and/or alcohol use without fear of being disciplined for such use. CUNY also encourages students under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol who may be the victims of, witnesses to, or otherwise become aware of violence (including but not limited to domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, or sexual assault) or sexual harassment or gender-based harassment to report that violence or harassment. Students who in good faith call for medical assistance for themselves or others and/or who receive medical assistance as a result of a call will not be disciplined for the consumption of alcohol or drugs as long as there are no other violations that ordinarily would subject the student to disciplinary action. Similarly, students who may be the victims of, witnesses to, or otherwise become aware of violence or sexual harassment or gender-based harassment and who report such violence or harassment will not be disciplined for the consumption of alcohol or drugs in the absence of other violations that ordinarily would subject the student to disciplinary action. However, if you are involved in the distribution of illegal drugs, sexual misconduct, causing or threatening physical harm, hazing or damage to property, amnesty may not apply. Additional information can be found at http://www2.cuny.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/page-assets/about/administration/offices/legal-affairs/Drug-and-Alcohol-Use-Amnesty-Policy-10.1.2015.pdf
INFORMATION FOR THE CUNY COMMUNITY ON THE RISKS AND CONSEQUENCES OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE

Background
The City University of New York’s Policy on Drugs and Alcohol, adopted by the Board of Trustees on June 22, 2009, prohibits the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of drugs or alcohol by employees, students or visitors, on CUNY property, in CUNY buses or vans, or at CUNY-sponsored activities. It prohibits all students (regardless of their age) from possessing or consuming alcoholic beverages in CUNY residence halls. It also prohibits CUNY employees from illegally providing drugs or alcohol to CUNY students.

As the Policy states, sanctions for violation of the Policy, following appropriate disciplinary proceedings, may include, in the case of students, expulsion from the University, and in the case of employees, termination of employment. This document sets forth additional information required to be provided under Federal law, including the legal sanctions for drug and alcohol use, health risks of such use, and information regarding available counseling, treatment, or rehabilitation programs.

Legal Sanctions
Federal and New York State laws make it a criminal offense to manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess with intent to distribute, or simply possess a controlled substance. Such substances include heroin, cocaine, methamphetamine, ecstasy, LSD, PCP, marijuana, and a number of common pharmaceutical drugs if unlawfully obtained. The sanctions for violation of these laws, ranging from community service and monetary fines to life imprisonment, depend upon the particular offense, the drug type, and the drug quantity. Students convicted under these statutes may also forfeit Federal financial aid eligibility.

Note that an individual need not be in actual physical possession of a controlled substance to be guilty of a crime. The unlawful presence of a controlled substance in an automobile is presumptive evidence of knowing possession of such substance by each passenger unless the substance is concealed on the person of one of the occupants. Similarly, the presence of certain substances in plain view in a room can sometimes be presumptive evidence of knowing possession of such substance by anyone in close proximity.

Further, pursuant to New York State law:

1. Any person under age 21 who is found to be in possession of alcohol with the intent to consume it may be punished by a fine and/or required to complete an alcohol awareness program and/or to provide up to 30 hours of community service. Alcoholic Beverage Control Law, § 65-c.

2. Giving or selling an alcoholic beverage to a person less than age 21 is a Class A misdemeanor punishable by a sentence of imprisonment up to one year. Penal Law § 260.20

3. Any person who operates a motor vehicle while intoxicated or while his ability to operate such vehicle is impaired by the consumption of alcohol or drugs, is subject to suspension or revocation of driving privileges in the State, monetary fines up to $1,000, and imprisonment for up to one year. Vehicle and Traffic Law § 1192.

4. A person under 21 who presents false written evidence of age for the purpose of purchasing or attempting to purchase any alcoholic beverage may be punished by a fine, community service and/or completion of an alcohol awareness program. Alcoholic Beverage Control Law § 65-b (1). Possessing such false evidence may also be criminal possession of a forged instrument, which is a felony in New York, punishable by a fine of up to $5000, imprisonment up to 7 years, or both. Penal Law §170.25.
5. Appearing in public under the influence of narcotics or a drug other than alcohol to the degree that a person may endanger him or herself or other persons or property, or annoy persons in his vicinity, is a violation, punishable by a fine and imprisonment up to 15 days. Penal Law § 240.40

Health Risks

The following is a brief summary of some of the health risks and symptoms associated with use of many of the most-publicized drugs, including alcohol and tobacco. This information was obtained from the National Institute on Drug Abuse (part of the National Institutes of Health of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services), and the Mayo Clinic. Please note that individuals experience such substances in different ways based on a variety of physical and psychological factors and circumstances.

LSD (Acid)
LSD is one of the strongest mood-changing drugs, and has unpredictable psychological effects. With large enough doses, users experience delusions and visual hallucinations. Physical effects include increased body temperature, heart rate, and blood pressure; sleeplessness; and loss of appetite.

Cocaine
Cocaine is a powerfully addictive drug. Common health effects include heart attacks, respiratory failure, strokes, and seizures. Large amounts can cause bizarre and violent behavior. In rare cases, sudden death can occur on the first use of cocaine or unexpectedly thereafter.

MDMA (Ecstasy)
Ecstasy is a drug that has both stimulant and psychedelic properties. Adverse health effects can include nausea, chills, sweating, teeth clenching, muscle cramping, and blurred vision.

Heroin
Heroin is an addictive drug. An overdose of heroin can be fatal, and use is associated – particularly for users who inject the drug – with infectious diseases such as HIV/AIDS and hepatitis.

Marijuana
Effects of marijuana use include memory and learning problems, distorted perception, and difficulty thinking and solving problems.

Methamphetamine
Methamphetamine is an addictive stimulant that is closely related to amphetamine but has long lasting and more toxic effects on the central nervous system. It has a high potential for abuse and addiction. Methamphetamine increases wakefulness and physical activity and decreases appetite. Chronic, long-term use can lead to psychotic behavior, hallucinations, and stroke.

PCP/Phencyclidine
PCP causes intensely negative psychological effects in the user. People high on PCP often become violent or suicidal.

Prescription Medications
Prescription drugs that are abused or used for non-medical reasons can alter brain activity and lead to dependence. Commonly abused classes of prescription drugs include opioids (often prescribed to treat pain), central nervous system depressants (often prescribed to treat anxiety and sleep disorders), and stimulants (prescribed to treat narcolepsy, ADHD, and obesity). Long-term use of opioids or central nervous system depressants can lead to physical dependence and addiction. Taken in high does, stimulants can lead to compulsive use, paranoia, dangerously high body temperatures and irregular heartbeat.
**Tobacco/Nicotine**
Tobacco contains nicotine, which is highly addictive. The tar in cigarettes increases a smoker’s risk of lung cancer, emphysema, and bronchial disorders. The carbon monoxide in smoke increases the chance of cardiovascular diseases. Secondhand smoke causes lung cancer in adults and greatly increases the risk of respiratory illnesses in children.

**Steroids**
Adverse effects of steroid use in males may include shrinking of the testicles and breast development. In females, adverse effects may include growth of facial hair, menstrual changes, and deepened voice. Other adverse effects can include severe acne, high blood pressure, and jaundice. In some rare cases liver and kidney tumors or even cancer may develop.

**Alcohol**
Excessive alcohol consumption can lead to serious health problems, including cancer of the pancreas, mouth, pharynx, larynx, esophagus and liver, as well as breast cancer, pancreatitis, sudden death in people with cardiovascular disease, heart muscle damage leading to heart failure, stroke, high blood pressure, cirrhosis of the liver, miscarriage, fetal alcohol syndrome in an unborn child, injuries due to impaired motor skills, and suicide.

**Substance Abuse**
You or someone you know may have a problem with drugs and alcohol if you/they are:
- Using drugs and/or alcohol on a regular basis.
- Losing control of the amount of drugs and/or alcohol used after being high or drunk.
- Constantly talking about using drugs and/or alcohol.
- Believing that drugs and/or alcohol are necessary in order to have fun.
- Using more drugs and/or alcohol to get the same effects as in the past.
- Avoiding people in order to get high or drunk.
- Pressuring others to use drugs and/or alcohol.
- Foregoing activities that were once priorities (i.e. work, sports, spending time with family and sober friends).
- Getting into trouble at school, at work, or with the law.
- Taking risks, including sexual promiscuity and driving while intoxicated.
- Lying about things, including the amount of drugs and/or alcohol used.
- Feeling hopeless, depressed, or even suicidal.

If you suspect that you or someone you know has a problem with drugs and/or alcohol, please utilize the resources listed below.

**DRUG AND ALCOHOL PREVENTION PROGRAMS (DAAPP)**

**On-Campus Alcohol and Substance Abuse Resources**
College’s Department of Student Development/Student Affairs has several services to help students in need of assistance for alcohol and substance use/abuse. They are the Student Health Services Center and Counseling Services. These programs have information on alcohol & substance abuse and make referrals to outside mental health, health, and substance abuse treatment programs. In addition, counselors are available in the Student Wellness Center and Counseling Services to assist students.

The Student Health Services Center in particular is a great resource to obtain educational material designed to heighten awareness about alcohol & substance use/abuse, tobacco addiction, and many other health related topics. In addition, the Student Wellness Center offers alcohol screenings and year round activities focusing on wellness.

Appointments for the Student Wellness Center or the Counseling Services offices can be made by calling the numbers listed below. Both offices welcome walk-ins (no appointment needed).
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<td>Frese Hall</td>
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<td>Counseling and Resource Center</td>
<td>Frese Hall</td>
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CUNY Employees can seek assistance through the CUNY Work Life Program at (800) 833-8707 or the following website: [http://www.cuny.edu/about/administration/offices/ohrm/university-benefits.html](http://www.cuny.edu/about/administration/offices/ohrm/university-benefits.html)

### Off-Campus Alcohol and Substance Abuse Resources

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<td>34-25 Vernon Blvd, Long Island City, NY 11106</td>
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<td>Faith Mission Crisis Center</td>
<td>114-40 Van Wyck Expy, Jamaica, NY 11420</td>
<td>(718) 322-3455</td>
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<td>Western Queens Recovery Services</td>
<td>62-07 Woodside Ave, Woodside, NY 11377</td>
<td>(718) 898-5085</td>
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<td>Advanced Human Services, Inc.</td>
<td>112-15 72nd Rd # L1, Forest Hills, NY 11375</td>
<td>(718) 261-3437</td>
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<td>Far Rockaway Treatment Center</td>
<td>1600 Central Ave, Far Rockaway, NY 11691</td>
<td>(718) 868-1400</td>
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<td>Program for the Development of Human Potential</td>
<td>112-06 86 Ave. - 3rd fl. Richmond Hill, NY 11418</td>
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<td>NY Therapeutic Communities, Inc.</td>
<td>162-64 Jamaica Avenue, Lower Level</td>
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(Entrance on Guy Brewer Boulevard)

Jamaica, New York 11432

### 12 Step Recovery Programs

- **Cocaine Anonymous (212) 262-2463** [http://www.canewyork.org/](http://www.canewyork.org/)
- **Marijuana Anonymous (917) 525-3653** [http://www.ma-newyork.org/](http://www.ma-newyork.org/)
- **Alcoholics’ Anonymous (212) 647-1680** [http://www.nyintergroup.org/](http://www.nyintergroup.org/)
- **Al-Anon/Alateen (888) 425-2666** [http://www.al-anony.org](http://www.al-anony.org)
## Detoxification and Outpatient/Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities by County

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<td><strong>KINGS</strong></td>
<td>Bridge Back to Life Center, Inc.</td>
<td>175 Remsen St., 10th Floor Brooklyn, NY 11201</td>
<td>(718) 852-5552</td>
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<td>Kings County Hospital Center</td>
<td>410 Winthrop Street Brooklyn, NY 11203</td>
<td>(718) 245-2635</td>
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<td>CDAS Detox Out-Patient Clinic</td>
<td>1545 Atlantic Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11213</td>
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<td><strong>NEW YORK</strong></td>
<td>Bellevue Hospital Center</td>
<td>462 First Ave. New York, NY 10016</td>
<td>(212) 562-4623</td>
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<td>Greenwich House, Inc</td>
<td>190 Mercer Street New York, NY 10003</td>
<td>(212) 677-3400</td>
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<td>Mount Sinai West</td>
<td>1000 Tenth Ave New York, NY 10019</td>
<td>(212) 523-6491</td>
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<td><strong>QUEENS</strong></td>
<td>Flushing Hospital Medical Center</td>
<td>4500 Parsons Boulevard Flushing, NY 11355</td>
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<td>Samaritan Village, Inc.</td>
<td>144-10 Jamaica Ave. Jamaica, NY 11435</td>
<td>(718) 206-1990</td>
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<td><strong>BRONX</strong></td>
<td>St. Barnabas Hospital</td>
<td>4535 East 183rd Street Bronx, NY 10457</td>
<td>(718) 960-6636</td>
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<td>Montefiore Medical Center</td>
<td>1803, 2058 Jerome Ave., Bronx, NY 10453</td>
<td>(917) 564-8700</td>
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<td>Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center</td>
<td>1276 Fulton Ave., 7th Floor Bronx, NY 10456</td>
<td>(718) 503-7750</td>
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<td><strong>RICHMOND COUNTY</strong></td>
<td>Staten Island University Hospital</td>
<td>Center 375 Seguine Ave. Staten Island, NY 10309</td>
<td>(718) 226-2790</td>
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<td>Richmond University Medical Center</td>
<td>1130 South Ave. Staten Island, NY 10314</td>
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<td>Camelo of Staten Island, Inc.</td>
<td>1268 Forest Ave. Staten Island, NY 10302</td>
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RESOURCES OFF-CAMPUS
New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services Tel: (877) 846-7369
http://www.oasas.state.ny.us/

New York State Smokers’ Quit -line Tel: (866) 697-8487
http://www.nysmokefree.com/

Elmhurst Hospital Chemical Dependency Clinic
7901 Broadway, Bldg H, Suite 117
Elmhurst, NY 11373
Phone: 718-334-4601, Fax: 718-334-5796

Drug Abuse Evaluation Health Referral Service (DAEHRS) at Northwell Health Zucker Hillside
75-59 263rd Street, Glen Oaks, NY 11004
On the grounds of Zucker Hillside hospital in Glen Oaks
718-470-8950 fax: 718-470-6408

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

Reporting and Prevention of Sexual Misconduct including Sexual Assault, Harassment, Stalking and Dating/Intimate Partner and Domestic Violence

Under the provisions of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), 20 USC §§ 1681 et seq., and its implementing regulations, 34 CFR Part 106, discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs or activities operated by recipients of Federal financial assistance is prohibited. Sexual harassment of students, which includes acts of sexual violence, cyber stalking and unwanted physical contact of a sexual nature, is a form of discrimination prohibited by Title IX.

Sexual Harassment is unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that is sufficiently serious to adversely affect your ability to participate in or benefit from an educational program. It includes unwelcome sexual advances, request for sexual favors, and other verbal, nonverbal, or physical conduct of a sexual nature on or off campus.

CUNY prohibits the offenses of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking (as defined by the Clery Act) and reaffirms its commitment to maintaining a campus environment that emphasizes the dignity and worth of all members of the University community. Toward that end, Queens College issues this statement of policy to inform the campus community of our programs to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking, as well as the procedures for institutional disciplinary action in cases of alleged dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, which will be followed regardless of whether the incident occurs on or off campus when it is reported to a College Official.
A copy of the City University of New York Policy on Sexual Misconduct is attached to this report and can be viewed by clicking the following link CUNY Sexual Misconduct Policy

**SPARC Training Program**

CUNY has implemented a new training program called SPARC (Sexual and Interpersonal Violence Prevention and Response Course) to provide students with this training.

New York State Education Law 129-b, also called the Enough is Enough (“EIE”) statute, requires that all NYS colleges provide students with ongoing education and training about sexual misconduct, including domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, sexual harassment, gender-based harassment and sexual violence.

**SPARC** is an online training module developed by SUNY in collaboration with CUNY that educates students* about sexual misconduct, ways to prevent it, and the campus’ response to a complaint. The content has been customized to reflect New York State requirements and CUNY policies.

**SPARC** is accessible to the campus community through the following link: https://bbhosted.cuny.edu

*NOTE: All incoming students (first-year and transfers) are required to complete SPARC training as are Student Government members, student leaders and members of other student groups designated by the University and/or College.

**SPARC Troubleshooting:**

- If using a Mac, students should either use either Google Chrome or Firefox as your web browser to complete SPARC.
- Ensure that pop-up blockers are disabled.
- Please note that students must view ALL the slides to successfully complete the module. The program will automatically close after viewing the final slide.
- Students should complete the SPARC program in one sitting.
- Please print and/or screenshot the Certificate of Completion for your records.

**Employee Sexual and Interpersonal Violence Prevention and Response Course (“ESPARC”)**

Pursuant to New York State Labor Law Section 201-G and the New York City Stop Sexual Harassment Act, CUNY has implemented ESPARC to provide employees with annual training for the prevention, identification, and reporting of sexual harassment.

This training is available to employees via CUNY Blackboard. New employees are registered for the course within 60 days of their first day of work and will receive a notice from their Human Resources Office with instructions for accessing the course.

After receiving notice that they are registered, employees may access CUNY Blackboard at any time to begin the course. The course does not need to be completed in one sitting. Employees can exit the course without completing it and then return to the place where they left off when they re-open the course.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Human Resources in Kiely Hall room 163 at 718-997-4455.
The City University of New York Policy on Sexual Misconduct

Sexual Misconduct as defined in CUNY’s Policy, including sexual harassment and sexual assault, stalking, domestic and dating/intimate partner violence, as defined in CUNY’s Policy and as defined under the Clery Act and New York State Law, are prohibited. Please see below and CUNY’s Sexual Misconduct Policy for definitions of these and other terms. Allegations of sexual misconduct, including sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, or domestic, dating and intimate partner violence should be reported to one of the individuals listed below:

1. The Queens College Title IX Coordinator: Sharon Shulman, Interim Chief Diversity Officer/Director, Office of Compliance and Diversity Programs, Kiely Hall, Room 147, 718-997-5888, sharon.shulman@qc.cuny.edu

2. Public Safety: Beth LaManna, Director of Public Safety, Jefferson Hall, Room 201, 718-997-4443, beth.lamanna@qc.cuny.edu

3. Public Safety: Jose Sanchez, Lieutenant of Public Safety, Public Safety Office at the Main Gate, 718-997-5912/5911, jose.sanchez@qc.cuny.edu

4. Public Safety: Deborah Huggins, Lieutenant of Public Safety, Public Safety Office at the Main Gate, 718-997-5912/5911, deborah.huggins@qc.cuny.edu

5. Public Safety: Hemwatie Seusarran, Lieutenant of Public Safety, Public Safety Office at the Main Gate, 718-997-5912/5911, hemwatie.seusarran@qc.cuny.edu

6. Student Affairs: Jennifer Jarvis, Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs, Frese Hall, Room 102, 718-997-4486, jennifer.jarvis@qc.cuny.edu

7. Human Resources: Lee Kelly, Director of Human Resources, Kiely Hall, Room 163, 718-997-4455, lee.kelly@qc.cuny.edu

Reporting methods other than listed above:

1. Calling the Department of Public Safety’s emergency telephone number (718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911) from any phone, or you can report the information to any member of the Department of Public Safety either in person at the Public Safety Office located in Jefferson Hall, room 201, or at the Main Gate Office.

2. Using one of the 25 Emergency Assistance (Blue light) call boxes located throughout the campus.

3. Victims or witnesses may report crimes to persons designated as Campus Security Authorities who will then forward only the report of the crime – without divulging the name of victim or witness – to the Department of Public Safety for inclusion in the Annual Crime Report. Names and numbers of Campus Security Authorities are located on page 7 of this report. The College recognizes the importance of confidentiality to victims and witnesses of crimes. For the purposes of providing crime statistics pursuant to the Campus Security Act in the College’s Annual Security Report, victim and witness information will remain anonymous. However, complete confidentiality cannot be guaranteed in all other contexts. The College reserves the right to notify the police when it believes that such reporting is necessary for the protection of the College Community. In many cases however, that notification will be done without divulging the victim’s identity and will be done only for the purpose of providing a campus-wide alert.

4. In the event that the situation you observe or are involved in is of an extreme or life-threatening nature, call 911. However, if you make a 911 call, also notify the Department of Public Safety. They will assist and direct the police along with other responding emergency personnel.
Prevention Education Programs

Queens College has developed materials and programs to educate its students, faculty and staff on the nature, dynamics, common circumstances and effects of sexual assault, domestic/intimate partner violence and stalking, and the means to reduce their occurrence and prevent them. These programs are offered to incoming freshmen and transfer students during fall and spring orientation sessions. The Title IX Coordinator and the Vice President for Student Affairs offices provide this training to student activity groups, clubs, and athletic teams. Prevention education materials are distributed to all students during campus orientation activities.

CUNY’s goal of creating a community free from sexual violence is a high priority and we have created training programs for both students and employees that are specifically tailored to CUNY campuses. SPARC, or the Sexual and Interpersonal Violence Prevention and Response Course, is mandated for all incoming and transfer students, and is offered to all other students through an easily accessible online portal. This program educates students on key information such as the definition of affirmative consent, where to go on campus if they, or someone they know, have been affected by sexual misconduct, and what resources are available to them for assistance. The course is custom tailored so that students will receive their specific campus’s contact information for Public Safety, Title IX Coordinator, Campus Health Services, Mental Health Counseling Center, and Office of Student Affairs. Additionally, CUNY added an alcohol education module to make sure students understand the dangers of irresponsible alcohol consumption and how it relates to sexual violence.

CUNY also created an online employee training program, the Employee Sexual Misconduct Prevention and Response Course, or ESPARC. This program, which all employees are required to take annually, informs employees how to identify, prevent, and respond to sexual misconduct in the workplace. In addition to educating employees on the various CUNY policies related to these topics, it also lets them know where to go, and with whom to speak, if they, a student, a colleague, or subordinate, experiences sexual misconduct. Additionally, it gives examples of conduct that constitute sexual harassment, and informs them what outside agencies employees may go to seek legal redress. Furthermore, each campus’s online course not only informs them who is responsible at their specific campus for investigating these types of complaints, but also gives them up to date contact information for those individuals.

In addition, Queens College provides workshops throughout the year related to the prevention and handling of sexual assaults, stalking and domestic/intimate partner violence for all relevant personnel, including Public Safety Officers, Counselors and Student Affairs staff by partnering with Safe Horizon, the Urban Justice Center and Queens County District Attorney’s Victim Services Unit. Faculty and staff are all welcome to attend these workshops as well. The Public Safety Department also has a number of NYS Certified General Topics instructors who serve as the designated liaison(s) for providing additional training on campus. The Public Safety Department is available to provide such education programs upon request. The Public Safety Department conducts prevention education training on domestic violence, dating violence awareness, bullying, active shooter response, emergency preparedness, stranger danger for children in the Day Care Center, and other general crime prevention topics. If you would like to schedule an education program for a specific group, please contact Public Safety at 718-997-5912 or 718-997-5911 in advance.

More information and resources about campus safety, sexual assault and harassment, domestic/intimate partner violence, stalking and dating violence can be found at: CUNY Title IX Website Important Definitions in the Clery Act and in CUNY’S Sexual Misconduct Policy (Please refer to CUNY’S Sexual Misconduct Policy for Other Important Definitions).

How to be an Active Bystander

Bystanders play a critical role in the prevention of sexual and relationship violence. They are “individuals who observe violence or witness the conditions that perpetuate violence. They are not directly involved, but have the choice to intervene, speak up, or do something about it.” We want to promote a culture of community accountability where bystanders are actively engaged in the prevention of violence without causing further harm. We may not always know what to do even if we want to help. Below is a list of some ways to be an active bystander. In addition, the College encourages all community members to report an incident of sexual harassment, gender-based harassment,
or sexual violence that they observe or become aware of to the Title IX Coordinator, and/or the Office of Public Safety, and/or to the Office of Student Affairs. Community members who choose to exercise this positive option will be supported by the College and protected from retaliation.

If you or someone else is in immediate danger, dial 911 (if on campus, call Public Safety at 718-997-5912/5911). This may involve a person yelling at, or being physically abusive towards another, and it is not safe for you to interrupt.

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

Prevention and Risk Reduction

1. Convey strongly that you expect your rights to be respected.
2. Meet new acquaintances in public places. Always have your own transportation or travel with trusted friends.
3. Keep money in your pocket or purse for phone calls, or pay for transportation if you must leave a situation abruptly.
4. Be aware of how much alcohol is being consumed. It’s best to avoid using alcohol. While not a direct cause of date rape, alcohol can increase your vulnerability by lowering your alertness and ability to react.
5. Do not accept a drink from someone you do not know or trust. Do not drink from bowls or large common open containers.
6. Do not continue to drink from a beverage you left unattended.
7. Clearly define your sexual limit. If someone starts to offend you, be direct. Say no clearly when you mean no.
8. If you feel that you are being pressured into unwanted sex, say something as soon as you can, before the behavior goes any further.
9. Embarrassment should not keep you from doing what is right for you. Do not hesitate to raise your voice, stand up abruptly, or scream if the situation warrants it.
10. Watch out for your friends and fellow students/employees. If you can do so safely, ask if they need help.
11. Speak up if you hear someone discuss plans to take sexual advantage of another person.
12. Offer to help a friend, fellow/student, or employee make a report, and seek assistance and support.
13. Avoid isolated areas.
14. Attend parties with friends. Arrange to leave with your friend(s).

What to do if you are attacked:

- After an attack, try to be as calm as possible in order to think clearly. Get to a safe place and call for help immediately. If you are in a building on campus, immediately contact Public Safety; anywhere else call 911, call a relative or a friend, or contact a rape crisis center for assistance.
- Rape Line is always open at 212-COP-RAPE (212-267-7273).
- Remain in the same condition as when the attacker left. Do not change, wash, or destroy any clothing or any article that may be evidence.
- Do not wash, douche or comb your hair.
- Have a medical/gynecological exam at the nearest hospital emergency room as soon as possible. The doctor should note and treat any injury and take measures to combat the possibility of sexually transmitted diseases or pregnancy. If you report being raped, the doctor may be able to collect semen smears or other physical specimens as evidence.
• Show police any bruises or injuries, however minor, resulting from the attack. Also show injuries to a friend or relative who might be available as a corroborative witness at the trial. If possible, photograph bruises.
• Leave the crime scene exactly as it is. Do not touch, clean up, or throw anything away.
• Give any clothing that was stained or torn (including undergarments) during the crime to the police.
• When calm, write down every detail about the incident, including: who, what, where, when, and how; what the attacker looked like (height, weight, clothing, type of build, color of skin, hair, eyes, facial oddities, scars jewelry, tattoos etc.); description of any vehicle used or the direction you last saw the attacker running; what kind of force or coercion was used; any objects touched, taken, or left by the attacker; if the attacker said anything, try to remember the words, the grammar, any accents or speech defects; and if there were witnesses, list who and where they might be.
• Seek psychological support as well as medical attention. Even though the actual incident is over, you may suffer from rape trauma syndrome, which includes a variety of difficulties commonly experienced after a sexual assault.
• A student can call the New York City Police Department or 911, or go directly to a hospital. If the student wishes, Public Safety will call 911 on their behalf. It is important to note that if you are a victim of a sex offense, do not destroy any evidence (including clothing) and do not take a shower or bath.
• It is important that such physical evidence be preserved in order to assist with any ensuing criminal investigation. If the student believes that she/he may be the victim of date rape by being drugged, she/he should go directly to a hospital to receive a toxicology examination since such drugs only remain in a person’s system for a short period of time. The Department of Public Safety will assist with notification of other law enforcement authorities and/or medical professionals if the student so chooses.

1. New York State Department of Health has designated Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (“SAFE”) programs in hospitals that are designated as 24-hour centers of excellence. SAFE hospitals ensure the quality of collections, documentation, preservation and custody of physical evidence by a trained examiner and provide medical care that includes, but is not limited to, treatment, referral and follow-up, at no cost to the victim.
2. As time passes, evidence may dissipate or become lost or unavailable, making investigation, possible prosecution or disciplinary proceedings or obtaining an Order of Protection more difficult. Even if a victim of sexual assault chooses not to file a complaint with law enforcement, the victim should consider having a sexual assault forensic exam, which will preserve the evidence in case the victim decides to file a report later. Files relating to sex offenses are kept confidential by the Department of Public Safety and by the Office of Student Affairs/Student Development, unless otherwise required by law or CUNY policy.

Who is a perpetrator?
Many people think that sexual assaults are only perpetrated by vicious strangers on dark, deserted streets. In fact, studies indicate that between 80 and 90 percent of all people who have been raped know their perpetrator(s). This is called “date rape” or “acquaintance rape.” “Date rape” is not a legally distinct or lesser category of rape. It refers to a relationship and situational context in which rape occurs on a date. Rape or any sexual offense, whether on a date or not, is the same criminal offense involving the same elements of force, exploited helplessness or underage participation. With sexual assaults where the victim knows the perpetrator, alcohol use is often involved on the part of either the victim or the perpetrator. However, a sexual assault is still a crime regardless of the intoxication of the perpetrator or the victim.

Who is a victim?
Anyone can be a victim, regardless of gender, age, race, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, ethnicity, class or national origin. Regardless of whether the victim was abusing alcohol and/or underage, she or he is still the victim of the sex offense.
When is there lack of consent?
CUNY's Sexual Misconduct Policy requires affirmative consent to sexual activity. Affirmative consent as defined in CUNY's Sexual Misconduct Policy is a knowing, voluntary and mutual decision among all participants to engage in sexual activity. Consent can be given by words or actions, as long as those words or actions create clear permission regarding willingness to engage in the sexual activity. Silence or lack of resistance, in and of itself, does not demonstrate consent. The definition of consent does not vary based upon a participant’s sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. Consent may be initially given but withdrawn at any time. Consent to any sexual act or prior consensual sexual activity between or with any party does not necessarily constitute consent to any other sexual act.

In order to give consent, one must be of legal age (17 years or older). Consent is required regardless of whether the person initiating the act is under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol. Consent cannot be given when a person is incapacitated, which occurs when an individual lacks the ability to knowingly choose to participate in sexual activity. Incapacitation may be caused by lack of consciousness or being asleep, being involuntarily restrained, or if the individual otherwise cannot consent. Depending on the degree of intoxication, someone who is under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicants may be incapacitated and therefore unable to consent.

Who is responsible for a sexual attack?
In the absence of consent, the attacker is always responsible for having committed the sexual assault regardless of the victim’s appearance, behavior, or conduct on previous occasions. An attacker cannot assume that the way a person dresses or acts is an invitation for sexual advances. A person may welcome some forms of sexual contact and be opposed to others. The more impaired a person is from alcohol or drugs, the less likely she/he can give consent; having sex with someone who is “passed out” or sleeping is rape. In addition, regardless of previous sexual activity, if someone refuses sexual contact, the failure to respect that limit constitutes non-consensual sex.

College and Community Counseling and Support Services for Sex Offense Victims

On-Campus Assistance
Victims of a sexual assault are encouraged to contact the Title IX Coordinator and/or Office of Student Affairs to obtain assistance in accessing medical and counseling services, or to make any necessary changes to the student’s academic program. Victims of such crimes can obtain assistance from the Office of Student Affairs throughout the disciplinary process. The Office of Public Safety can assist the victim in getting to and from campus classes, filing a police report and obtaining an order of protection against the perpetrator. The victim can also file a complaint with the College against a perpetrator who is a student or employee of the University with the Vice President of Student Affairs and the Office of Public Safety.

College Support Services

On-Campus Resources
- Coordinator, College Counseling & Resource Center Frese Hall, Room 111, 718-997-5420
- Deputy Coordinator, Affirmative Action, Compliance & Diversity Kiely Hall, Room 147, 718-997-5888
- Ms. Terry Calhoun, RN, Coordinator Health Service Center Frese Hall, Room 305, 718-997-2763

Counseling for Employees
CUNY Work Life Program (800) 833-8707
**Contacting outside agencies**

The College will assist any student requesting to contact outside agencies, including local police, regarding charges and complaints of sexual assault.

**NYC Family Justice Center, Queens**

**Mayors’ Office to Combat Domestic Violence**

126-02 82nd Avenue, Kew Garden, NY 11415
(718) 575-4501Direct | (718)575-4500 Main
www.nyc.gov/domesticviolence

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**Safe Horizon**

Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-621-4673
Sexual Assault Hotline: 212-227-3000

**NYC WELL** available 24/7

Free and confidential hotline for mental health support and crisis intervention.
Talk: 1-888-692-9355
Text: WELL to 65173
Chat: nyc.gov/nycwell

**Rape and Incest National Network (RAINN)** available 24/7

Free and confidential hotline for crisis intervention and to connect to local resources to support survivors of sexual violence. Talk: 1-800-656-4673

**Womankind** available 24/7

Free and confidential therapy in several Asian languages for survivors of sexual or intimate partner violence, human trafficking, and other domestic, elder and child abuse. Call: 1-888-888-7702

**Off-Campus Resources**

- For immediate help, call 911
- The New York City Police Department Sex Crimes Report Line 212-COP-RAPE 24 hour hotline, all female detectives, give advice about what can be done, information on the legal process, initiate investigations or provide referrals for counseling.
- National Sexual Assault Hotline 800-656-HOPE (4673) Free, confidential, 24 hour hotline.
- New York State Coalition Against Sexual Assault 800-942-6906 or 800-818-0656
• New York State Hotline for victims of Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence 1-800-942-6906
• NYS Coalition for Domestic Violence http://www.nyscadv.org/
• NYC Victims Services Agency: open 24 hours, seven days a week. Provides crisis intervention for crime victims. Contact 212-577-7777.
• The New York City Anti Violence Project empowers gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer and HIV affected communities to end all forms of violence through organizing and education. The Anti-Violence Project provides support, counseling and advocacy. The 24-hour hotline is 212-714-1141.
• The following New York State Department of Criminal Justice website offers links to many additional resources at www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/pio/crimevictims.html
• New York State Office of Victim’s Services www.ovs.ny.gov
• NYC Mayor’s Office to Combat Domestic Violence/Family Justice Centers http://www1.nyc.gov/site/ocdv/programs/family-justice-centers.page

Definitions of Sex Offenses under New York State Law

Sexual assault is a crime. Under Article 130 of the New York State Penal Law, it is a sex offense to engage in sexual contact or to engage in sexual intercourse, criminal sexual act or sexual abuse by contact without the consent of the victim or where the victim is incapable of giving consent. Criminal sex offenses are classified in degree according to the seriousness of sexual activity, the degree of force used, the age of the victim and the physical and mental capacity of the offender and victim.

**Sexual Assault:** According to Federal Statute, sexual assault is an offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, or statutory rape, as used in the FBI’S Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program.

**Rape:** Rape is 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:** Fondling is the touching of the private parts of another person for the purpose 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:** Incest is sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

**Statutory rape:** Statutory rape is sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

**Domestic Violence:** According to Federal Statue, “domestic violence includes felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under domestic or family violence laws of New York, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person’s act under the domestic or family violence laws of New York”. 42 U.S.C 13925(a).

**Dating Violence:** According to Federal Statute, “dating violence” means violence committed by a person:
(A) Who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and
(B) Where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors:
   i. The length of the relationship
   ii. The type of relationship
   iii. The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.
For the purpose of this definition:

1. Dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse.
2. Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of Domestic violence.

CUNY’s Sexual Misconduct Policy further defines Dating, Domestic and Intimate Partner Violence as:
A pattern of coercive behavior that can include physical, psychological, sexual, economic abuse, perpetrated by one person against an intimate partner. Such violence may occur in all kinds of intimate relationships, including married couples, people who are dating, couples who live together, people with children in common, same-sex partners, and people who were formerly in a relationship with the person abusing them.

**Stalking:** According to Federal Statute, stalking is, “engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to:

(A) Fear for his or her safety or the safety of others; or
(B) Suffer substantial emotional distress”.

For the purpose of this definition:
Course of conduct means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts which the stalker directly or indirectly, 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.

CUNY’s Sexual Misconduct Policy further defines Stalking as:
Intentionally engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person with whom the perpetrator currently has, previously has had, or desires to have, some form of sexual or romantic relationship, that:

1. Is likely to cause reasonable fear of material harm to the physical health, safety or property of such person, a member of such person’s immediate family or a third party with whom such person is acquainted; or
2. Cause material harm to the mental or emotional health of such person, where such conduct consists of following, telephoning or initiating communication or contact with such person, a member of such person’s immediate family or a third party with whom such person is acquainted; or
3. Is likely to cause such person to reasonably fear that her/his employment, business or career is threatened, where such conduct consists of appearing, telephone or initiating communication or contact at such person’s place of employment or business, and the actor was previously clearly informed to cease that conduct.

**Disciplinary Procedure**

The Colleges shall act promptly in response to information that a student has been sexually assaulted by another member of the CUNY community. Upon receipt of a complaint, the College shall undertake an appropriate investigation. If it appears that there is sufficient evidence to warrant disciplinary charges against a student, such charges shall be brought pursuant to Article 15 of the CUNY Board of Trustees Bylaws. If the matter is brought before a hearing, the complainant and alleged perpetrator are entitled to the same opportunities to have others present, including an advisor of their choice, at their own expense and to be informed, in writing of

1. The outcome of the proceedings at the same time;
2. The procedures for appealing the results;
3. Any change in results that occur prior to the time the results become final; and
4. When the results become final. If a student is found guilty of committing a sexual assault or other act of violence against another CUNY student or employee after a disciplinary hearing, the penalties may include suspension, expulsion from residence halls, or permanent dismissal from CUNY.

**See chart below for a list of some of the major sex offenses and their maximum penalties under New York State Law.**
Sexual assault is a crime of power, aggression and violence. Terms such as “date rape” and “acquaintance rape” tend to minimize the fact that the act of rape, or any sexual assault, is a serious crime. There is never an excuse or a reason for a person to rape, assault or even touch another person’s private parts without consent. The impact on survivors of such an attack can cause severe and lasting physical, mental and emotional damage.

### Pertinent Sex Offenses and Criminal Sanctions under New York State Penal and Criminal Procedure Laws

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<td>A person is guilty when he or she engages in sexual intercourse with another person by forcible compulsion, with a person who is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless (e.g. being asleep, unconscious or due to alcohol or drug consumption), who is less than 11 years old or less than 13 and the actor is 18 or older.</td>
<td>Is a class B felony, with penalties up to 25 years in prison.</td>
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<td><strong>Rape in the second degree (PL § 130.30)</strong></td>
<td>A person is guilty when being 18 years old or more, he or she engages in sexual intercourse with another person less than 15, or with another person who is incapable of consent by reason of being mentally disabled or mentally incapacitated</td>
<td>Is a class D felony, with penalties up to 7 years in prison.</td>
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<td><strong>Criminal sexual act in the first degree (PL § 130.50)</strong></td>
<td>A person is guilty when he or she engages in oral sexual contact or anal sexual contact with another person by forcible compulsion, or with someone who is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless, or with someone less than 11 or with someone less than 13 and the actor is 18 or older.</td>
<td>Is a class B felony, with penalties up to 25 years in prison.</td>
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<td><strong>Forcible touching (PL § 130.52)</strong></td>
<td>A person is guilty when he or she intentionally, and for no legitimate purpose, forcibly touches the sexual or other intimate parts of another person for the purpose of degrading or abusing such person; or for the purpose of gratifying the actor’s sexual desire</td>
<td>Is a class A misdemeanor, with penalties up to 1 year in prison.</td>
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<td><strong>Sexual abuse in the first degree (PL § 130.65)</strong></td>
<td>A person is guilty when he or she subjects another person to sexual contact: by forcible compulsion, when the other person is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless, or when the person is less than 11 years old.</td>
<td>Is a class D felony, with penalties up to 7 years in prison.</td>
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<td><strong>Aggravated sexual abuse in the first degree (PL § 130.70)</strong></td>
<td>A person is guilty when he or she inserts a foreign object in the vagina, urethra, penis or rectum of another person causing physical injury to such person by forcible compulsion, when the person is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless, or when the person is less than 11.</td>
<td>Is a class B felony, with penalties up to 25 years in prison.</td>
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<td><strong>Aggravated sexual abuse in the third degree (PL § 130.66)</strong></td>
<td>A person is guilty when he or she inserts a foreign object in the vagina, urethra, penis or rectum of another person by forcible compulsion, when the person is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless, or when the person is less than 11 years old.</td>
<td>Is a class D felony, with penalties up to 7 years in prison.</td>
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<td><strong>Facilitating a sex offense with a controlled substance (PL § 130.90)</strong></td>
<td>A person is guilty when he or she knowingly and unlawfully possesses a controlled substance or any substance that requires a prescription to obtain to another person, without such person’s consent and with intent to commit against such person conduct constituting a felony, and commits or attempts to commit such conduct constituting a felony defined in Article 30.</td>
<td><strong>Is a class D felony, with penalties up to 7 years in prison.</strong></td>
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Admission of Sex Offenders

(As provided by the Vice Chancellor’s Office of Legal Affairs)

The College reserves the right to deny admission to any student if in its judgment, the presence of that student on campus poses an undue risk to the safety or security of the College or the College Community. That judgment would be based on an individualized determination taking into account any information the college has about a student’s criminal record and the particular circumstances of the College, including the presence of a child care center, a public school or public school students on the campus.

Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act

The New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services maintains a registry of convicted sex offenders, which is available to local law enforcement agencies, including CUNY’s Public Safety Department. To obtain information about a Level 2 or Level 3 registered sex offender, you may:

1. Contact the police department in the jurisdiction in which the offender resides and/or in which the college is located
2. Contact Public Safety at (718)997-5912 or (718) 997-5911
3. Contact the Division’s sex offender registry web site – www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/nsor/index.htm and then click on “Search the Sex Offender Registry” or by dialing 800-262-3257

Searching for Level 1 sex offenders (or those with a pending risk level):

Call the Division’s sex offender registry at (800) 262-3257 with the name and at least one other identifier (an exact address, date of birth, driver’s license number, or a social security number) and DCJS will tell you if that individual is a registered sex offender in New York.

Missing Students

In accordance with State and Federal law, the College maintains procedures for the investigation of reports of missing persons. In addition, in compliance with State and Federal law, the College will notify the appropriate law enforcement agency within 24 hours of receiving a report of a missing student who resides in campus housing.

The purpose of this policy is to establish procedures for Queens College’s response to reports of missing students, as required by the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008. This policy applies to students who reside in campus housing.

For purposes of this policy, a student may be considered to be a “missing student” if the student’s absence 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 missing person may be the victim of foul play, has expressed suicidal thoughts, is drug dependent, is in a life threatening situation, or has been with persons who may endanger the student’s welfare. In the event a student under 18 years of age and not emancipated, Queens College must notify a custodial parent or guardian within 24 hours of the determination that the student is missing, in addition to notifying any additional contact person designated by the student. For all missing students, Queens College will notify the local law enforcement agency within 24 hours of the determination that the student is missing, unless the local law enforcement agency was the entity that made the determination that the student is missing. Regardless if the student is above the age of 18, or is an emancipated minor the Director of Public Safety or his designee shall make a missing person report.
ADDITIONAL LINKS TO CUNY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

CUNY Sexual Misconduct Policy

Equal Opportunity and Non-Discrimination Policy

Student Bill of Rights

CUNY Campus Workplace Violence Policy

Domestic Violence and the Workplace

Reasonable Accommodations and Academic Adjustments

The City University of New York Medical Amnesty/Good Samaritan Policy encourages students to seek medical assistance related to drug and alcohol use without fear of being disciplined for such use. For more information on this policy go to the following webpage: Drug/Alcohol Use Amnesty Policy

Crime Statistics for QUEENS COLLEGE 2016-2018

TO FOLLOW ARE THE QUEENS COLLEGE CRIME STATISTICS FOR THE 2016-2018 CALENDAR YEAR. THE STATISTICS INCLUDED ON THESE CHARTS ARE DERIVED FROM REPORTED CRIMINAL INCIDENTS FROM THE FOLLOWING SOURCES:

1. All Public Safety reports
2. Any reports from Campus Security Authorities
3. 107TH Precinct

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**Reported Hate Crimes 2016-2018**

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**Unfounded Statistics**
There were no unfounded crimes for the years 2016, 2017, & 2018

**Definitions of Geography**

**On-Campus**

Any building or property owned or controlled by an institution within one mile of the core campus and used by the institution in direct support of or in a manner related to the institution’s educational purposes, including residence halls; and any building or property that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, is frequently used by students, and supports institutional purposes.

*Note: Statistics for university student housing facilities are recorded and included in both the all on-campus category and the on-campus residential category*

**Non-Campus Building or Property**

Any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the institution; or any building or property owned or controlled by an institution that is used in direct support of or in relation to the institution’s educational purposes, is frequently used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution.

**Public Property**

All public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that is within the campus or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. The Queens College crime statistics do not include crimes that occur in privately owned homes or businesses adjacent to the campus buildings.

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**CAMPUS MAP**
Queens College Boundaries for Clery Crime Reporting

From the intersection of Melbourne Avenue and Kissena Boulevard:
North on Kissena Boulevard to Horace Harding Expressway
West on Horace Harding Expressway to 153rd Street
South on 153rd Street to Reeves Avenue
West on Reeves Avenue to 148th Street
West on Melbourne Avenue to 149th Street
North on 149th Street to Gravett Road
West on Gravett Road to the property addressed
144-60 Gravett Road
In front of Queens Hall, 65-21 Main Street between Gravett Road and end of said property.

Queens College boundaries comprise the sidewalk and bus stops on the streets bordering the campus, as well as public property that is easily accessible from the campus. This area includes Pomonok Playground—the park on Kissena Boulevard directly opposite the main campus gate—during the hours when it is open to the public.

The following bus stops are also included in the Clery Crime Reporting boundaries:
1 – Bus stop on the south side of Horace Harding Expressway, east of Kissena Boulevard
2 – Bus stop on the west side of Kissena Boulevard, south of Melbourne Avenue
3 – Bus stops on southbound and northbound sides of Main Street in front of Queens Hall, 65-21 Main Street.
CUNY RESIDENCE HALL DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

I. Introduction

These procedures are intended to apply to all CUNY-owned and/or-operated residence halls (referred to as “CUNY residence halls.”) CUNY-owned buildings refer to buildings operated by CUNY as the owner and those owned by CUNY but operated by a private company on behalf of CUNY. CUNY-operated buildings are buildings for which CUNY is responsible for the management of the building, regardless of whether CUNY owns the building. The purpose of these procedures is to protect the health and safety of the entire residence hall community. These procedures provide for discipline of students who live in residence halls who violate the rules governing student conduct applicable to CUNY students. At the same time, these procedures are designed to ensure that the due process rights of student residents accused of engaging in inappropriate conduct are respected.

II. Applicable Rules of Conduct

All students who live in CUNY residence halls are expected to behave lawfully and responsibly. They are expected not to engage in conduct that threatens or causes harm to others or interferes with the working or learning environment of others. All resident students must comply with local, State and Federal laws, including the Henderson Rules (N.Y. State Education Law, Article 129-A), and with CUNY and College policies. In addition, each CUNY residence hall should have written rules that are distributed to residents governing appropriate conduct in the residence hall. Students who violate their residence hall’s rules concerning behavior in the residence hall will be subject to discipline under these residence hall disciplinary procedures.

To the extent that the conduct at issue also violates local, State or Federal law (including the Henderson Rules) or other CUNY or College policies, a student will be subject to discipline under Article XV of CUNY’s Bylaws (“Article XV”) as an alternative to disciplinary proceedings invoked under these residence hall procedures. In cases in which the conduct is serious and the sanction might involve suspension or expulsion from the University, rather than a sanction solely relating to future conduct and tenure at the residence hall, Article XV procedures should be invoked instead of residence hall disciplinary procedures. Further, in all cases involving a possible violation of CUNY’s Sexual Misconduct Policy (cases involving alleged sexual misconduct, including cases of sexual harassment, gender-based harassment, or sexual violence), the cases must be reported to the applicable CUNY College’s Title IX coordinator for applicable interim measures, investigation and potential discipline under Article XV. Further, if a student’s conduct threatens harm to him or herself or others or substantially disrupts the learning or working environment of others, and is connected to a mental health or other medical issue, that conduct should be addressed under CUNY’s Medical Withdrawal and Re-entry Policy and Procedures (“Medical Withdrawal Policy”).

III. Emergency Situations

A. Emergency interim removal

If a resident’s behavior presents an immediate, severe and direct threat to him or herself or others (by evidencing a likelihood of harm to him or herself or others), or is substantially disrupting the learning or working environment of others, the Residence Hall Director (“RHD”) may remove the resident from the residence hall for a period not to exceed seven business days, pending the results of administrative proceedings or, where mental health issues are present, psychological evaluation. The RHD must consult with the College’s Chief Student Affairs Officer or designee and Chief of the Department of Public Safety or designee before deciding on and effectuating such removal unless the situation presents an immediate danger. If the need for removal is immediate, the RHD must consult with the above-referenced College officials as soon as practicable following such removal.

The fact that a resident has threatened to commit or attempted to commit suicide, however, may not, in and of itself, be used as the basis for an emergency interim removal. In such a circumstance, the RHD should contact the
College’s Chief Student Affairs Officer or designee, who shall arrange for the resident to be referred to a mental health professional under the Medical Withdrawal Policy for an assessment of whether the resident presents a direct threat to him or herself or others.

Following an emergency interim removal of a student, the next step in the applicable and appropriate process (either under these procedures, the Medical Withdrawal Policy, or Article XV) should be taken as soon as soon as practicable, and in no event later than the time deadlines outlined in the applicable policy.

B. Emergency interim relocation

A student may be relocated from one area of a residence hall to a different location in that building or, if applicable, to a different building in the complex. Room relocation may also be imposed as an interim measure under CUNY’s Sexual Misconduct Policy.

This relocation may be made permanent or temporary until a permanent space is located by the residence hall staff. The interim relocation shall become immediately effective without prior notice whenever there is evidence that the student’s continued presence in the current residence poses a significant disruption to other persons or property or to the stability and continuance of normal housing functions.

Following an emergency interim relocation of a student, the next step in the applicable and appropriate process (either under these procedures, the Medical Withdrawal Policy, or Article XV, including in cases involving alleged sexual misconduct) should be taken as soon as soon as practicable, and in no event later than the time deadlines outlined in the applicable policy.

IV. Disciplinary Procedures in the Residence Hall

A. Role of the Residence Hall Director

Each residence hall, whether managed directly by a CUNY college or by a private management company, will have a director (“RHD”), whose responsibilities will include oversight of the residence hall internal disciplinary process. The RHD may conduct investigations of complaints, mediation conferences, and disciplinary hearings under these procedures. If the RHD is involved in the investigation or attempted mediation of a case, he or she may not also adjudicate the case if it goes to a hearing. In that event, the RHD shall designate another residence hall professional staff member to conduct the hearing.

B. Complaint and Investigative Process

A complaint of a violation of a residence hall, College or CUNY policy may be submitted by anyone, including resident advisors (“RAs”), residence hall staff, or other staff or students including guests in the residence hall. The complaint must be in writing. Intentionally providing false information is a serious offense that will subject a person providing such intentionally false information to disciplinary action. Further, retaliation of any kind against witnesses or other participants in the investigative process is strictly prohibited and may result in separate disciplinary action.

If the complaint involves sexual misconduct because it alleges harassment, gender-based harassment, or sexual violence, the case must be reported to the applicable CUNY College’s Title IX coordinator for investigation and for potential discipline under Article XV. In all other cases, the complaint should be submitted to the RHD or designee for investigation, with a copy provided to the College’s Chief Student Affairs Officer. The RHD or designee will assess the incident and identify any alleged policy violations. If he or she determines that policies may have been violated, he or she will investigate by interviewing witnesses and gathering relevant documents. Investigations should be completed within thirty days, except that they must be completed within seven days if the student has been removed from the residence hall under the emergency interim removal procedure or if the student has been relocated within the residence hall or complex under the emergency interim relocation procedure.
After the investigation has been completed, the RHD or designee will determine if residence hall, CUNY and/or College policy was violated. If so, and if the matter is not referred to the College’s Chief Student Affairs Officer, the RHD or designee will refer the incident for informal mediation through the residence hall’s procedures. Alternatively, in the event of a determination (in consultation with the College’s Chief Student Affairs Officer) that the matter presents a serious violation of CUNY and/or College policies (including but not limited to the Henderson Rules) for which the appropriate sanction might involve suspension or expulsion from the University, the RHD or designee will refer the case to the College’s Chief Student Affairs Officer for all further action under Article XV of CUNY’s Bylaws or, if applicable and appropriate, the Medical Withdrawal Policy.

C. The Mediation Process

The first step in the mediation process ordinarily should be a meeting between the accused student (“respondent”) and the RHD or designee. In cases involving minor infractions, a policy clarification notice letter may be sent in lieu of initiating the mediation process. Should the student wish to contest the policy clarification letter and engage in mediation instead, the student must send a written request for mediation to the RHD within five business days from receipt of the policy clarification letter.

The RHD or designee will conduct the mediation conference. At the conference, the findings of the investigation will be discussed with the student with an effort toward resolving the case. There are three potential outcomes to mediation. First, the case may be resolved by mutual agreement, which may include the imposition of sanctions for violations of policy (if a student admits responsibility for such violations). Second, if no agreement is reached, the matter may proceed to a formal disciplinary hearing under these procedures. Third, if the student effectively demonstrates that the investigation’s findings are incorrect, the allegations may be dismissed as unfounded.

Failure to attend an assigned mediation conference may result in the student being charged with an additional violation of residence hall rules and the scheduling of a disciplinary hearing.

D. Disciplinary Hearing

1. Notice to Students

Notice of the charge(s) and the time and place of the hearing must be sent to the student’s college e-mail address and, by regular mail or hand delivery, to the student’s residence hall address or by regular mail to the student’s other current resident address, if the student is no longer living in the residence hall (or, if unknown, the student’s permanent home address). The notice must contain a summary of the student’s procedural rights at the hearing, as listed below. The student should be given a minimum of seven calendar days’ notice of the date of the hearing.

2. General Rules

In general, the model for the disciplinary hearing is an administrative proceeding, not a criminal or civil trial. Accordingly, criminal or civil trial procedures and rules of evidence do not apply. As long as the student rights outlined in this policy are observed, the Hearing Officer will have considerable discretion with respect to procedural requirements so as to facilitate a fair and expeditious decision.

Hearings will be closed to the public, except that an open hearing may be held, at the discretion of the presiding adjudicator(s), if requested by the respondent. The case against the respondent will be presented by the RHD or designee. The RHD may serve as the Hearing Officer for the case if he or she were not involved in the investigation or attempted mediation process. In the event of prior involvement in the case by the RHD, a residence hall or student affairs professional staff member with no prior involvement will be the Hearing Officer.

The Hearing Officer will inform the respondent of the charges, the hearing procedures, and his or her rights. The student shall then be asked for a plea of “responsible” or “not responsible.” If the student pleads “responsible,” he or she will be given an opportunity to explain his or her actions and to discuss the appropriate sanction, if any.
If the student pleads “not responsible,” the hearing will proceed to determination on the student’s culpability. The Hearing Officer will determine whether the student is responsible by reviewing the evidence presented and applying a preponderance of the evidence standard.

If the respondent does not attend the hearing, and does not present a reasonable excuse for non-attendance to the RHD or designee, the hearing may be held in the student’s absence. The Hearing Officer will consider the evidence and make a determination based on the evidence available. The absence of a student may give rise to an inference of responsibility, but may not be treated, by itself, as sufficient to demonstrate responsibility by a preponderance of the evidence.

3. **Summary of Student Procedural Rights at the Hearing**

- The right to a confidential, closed hearing.
- The right to present the student’s version of the incident.
- The right to present witnesses and documentary evidence on the student’s behalf.
- The right to cross-examine witnesses presenting evidence at the hearing.
- The right to receive copies of documents introduced into evidence at the hearing.
- The right to be represented by legal counsel or an advisor at the student’s expense; the advisor does not act as an advocate for the resident and is not authorized to address the Hearing Officer. The advisor must indicate relevant professional affiliation (if any), as well as name and relationship to the respondent. RAs are not permitted to serve as advisors to respondents. The process will not be delayed due to the unavailability of an advisor.
- The right to take written notes during the hearing, but not to use recording devices. The RHD’s office, however, will be responsible for recording the hearing, and must make a copy of that recording available to the student upon request.
- The right to a written decision based on a preponderance of the evidence.
- The right to appeal a determination after a hearing.

4. **Witnesses**

The respondent and the residence hall staff member presenting the case each may present witnesses. Witnesses may participate in the process by answering questions posed during the hearing or by providing a signed statement. Witnesses will be asked to affirm that their statements are truthful. Questions may be posed to witnesses by the Hearing Officer, the respondent, and the professional staff member presenting the case against the student.

5. **Documentary Evidence**

Respondents may introduce documentary evidence on their behalf at the hearing. CUNY adheres to Federal law, the Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act (“FERPA”), which governs the permissible release of “education records.” Education records include records relating to students’ residency in residence halls. Except in emergency situations or for other good cause, requested copies will be provided to a respondent prior to a disciplinary hearing on that student’s case. However, redactions will be made to the copies if required by law.

6. **Determination**

   a. **Responsibility**

Once all of the evidence is presented, the hearing will be adjourned for the Hearing Officer to make a determination. A student will be found responsible for a violation of residence hall rules if the case against the student was demonstrated by a preponderance of the evidence. In other words, the evidence must demonstrate that it was “more likely than not” that the respondent was responsible for a violation.
A written decision will be issued and appropriate sanctions, if any, imposed, within ten calendar days from the date of the hearing. The decision will be sent by the RHD by regular mail to the respondent’s residence hall mailbox or delivered by hand to the respondent’s room and to the student’s college e-mail address. In the event that the respondent is no longer residing in the residence hall, the RHD will send the decision to the student’s new address, or, if unknown, to the student’s permanent home address.

b. Educational Requirements and Sanctions
Students who are found responsible for a violation(s) may be subject to one or more educational requirements and/or sanctions. Respondents may also agree to educational requirements and/or sanctions in order to resolve a case during the mediation process. The following is a list of possible requirements and sanctions:

Educational requirement: Mandate that the student complete an educational program relevant to the violation, with the possibility of imposition of sanctions if the student fails to complete the program.

Warning: Written notice that the student has violated a rule and that continuation or repetition of the wrongful conduct may result in more severe disciplinary action.

Housing Probation: Imposition of a sanction that is deferred for a period of time and then expires, unless the student continues or repeats the wrongful conduct.

Loss of Privileges: Exclusion from participation in privileges for a specified period of time, including possible exclusion from certain areas of the residence hall.

Relocation: Interim or permanent relocation to another room/location within the hall.

Restitution: Reimbursement for damage to, or misappropriation of, property. It may also include restoring the property to its original condition, engaging in activities related to personal and/or academic growth and reflection, and/or providing service to the residence hall community.

Denial of Renewal: Denial of renewal option for future residence at the hall.

Residence Hall Suspension: Exclusion from the residence hall for a specified period of time, after which the student is eligible to return. It may also include specified conditions for re-admission. The student will have no access to the building during the period of suspension.

Residence Hall Dismissal: Permanent separation of the student from the residence hall and termination of a student’s housing or license agreement, as applicable. Following dismissal, the student will have no access to the building.

E. Appeal

Students found responsible for violations after a disciplinary proceeding may submit a written appeal (via their email account or by regular mail) to an Appeal Officer within ten calendar days of the date of the decision. The Appeal Officer shall be the RHD, as long as he or she was not involved in an earlier stage of the proceedings at the Hearing or Mediation, and did not conduct the investigation. If the RHD had involvement with the case at an earlier stage, he or she should designate a staff member to decide the appeal. If there are no residence hall staff members who have not been involved in an earlier stage of the proceeding or investigation, the appeal will be decided by the College’s Chief Student Affairs Officer or designee. If the sanction imposed is suspension or dismissal from the residence hall, the appeal shall be made directly to the College’s Chief Student Affairs Officer or designee and not to the RHD or other residence hall staff member, even if they were not involved in the case at an earlier stage.
Unless the student has been subject to emergency interim removal or the written determination after the proceeding states that the student presents a direct threat to him or herself or others (by evidencing a likelihood of harm to him or herself or others), or is substantially disrupting the learning or working environment of others, the student may not be removed from the residence hall while his or her appeal is pending.

The appeal should include a written statement outlining the specific issues for which review is sought, and the grounds upon which exception is taken to the determination. Grounds for appeal are limited to the following:

- There is evidence that was not available at the hearing which, had it been available, would in all reasonable likelihood have produced a different finding on the student’s responsibility for the alleged violation(s).
- The factual findings are “clearly erroneous” based on the evidence presented.
- There was a substantial procedural irregularity.
- The sanctions imposed are grossly disproportionate to the violation.

The Appeal Officer may either schedule a meeting with the student or decide the appeal solely on the content of the letter. The Appeal Officer may alter the findings if they are clearly erroneous, may reduce the sanctions imposed if they are disproportionate to the violation, and/or, in some cases, may remand for additional fact-finding to be made at a hearing. A determination on the Appeal should be issued within ten calendar days from the date of receipt of the appeal, and it should be mailed by regular mail or hand delivered to the residents’ residence hall address (or the resident’s current address, if no longer living in the residence hall, or, if unknown, to the resident’s permanent home address) and the resident’s college e-mail address. The Appeal Officer’s determination shall be final and not subject to further appeal.

FIRE SAFETY

All rooms and apartments are equipped with smoke detectors. Each apartment is equipped with a sprinkler system. Several fire-alarm pull stations are located on each corridor. This equipment is monitored to ensure that it is in good working condition. If an emergency situation arises and you use the fire extinguisher, the extinguisher must be recharged. You must notify your RA and/or the RA on duty at the time the emergency occurred, and contact the Summit Office and/or the security desk as well. Failure to notify the Summit may result in disciplinary action, as well as a fee to recharge the extinguisher and any resulting damages to the property. Also, if the smoke detector in your room beeps because of a weak battery, please submit a work order through the Resident Portal. Any person, who sets off a false alarm, interferes with the operation of the alarm system, or damages or removes any part of the alarm system for purposes other than those related to fire safety (including, but not limited to fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, sprinkler systems, fire doors or removes an exit sign) is subject to severe disciplinary sanction.

FIRE ALARM PROCEDURES AND ASSEMBLY AREAS

Residents should assume that the sounding of any alarm is valid and are required to evacuate the building. Exit your apartment and go to the nearest stairwell.

- For Non-Fire alarms: sidewalk across from main entrance
- For Confirmed Fires: Powdemaker Hall lobby, Library; or Dining Hall. Public Safety will grant access

Find the staff member assigned to your assembly point and remain at the assembly point until the staff member authorizes you to re-enter the building or directs you to another location.

After evacuating, do not re-enter the building for any purpose until emergency personnel direct you to do so. Failure to comply with re-entry instructions, and/or to evacuate during an alarm, will subject you to disciplinary action from the College staff. Fire drills will be conducted each semester in accordance with QC processes and timelines as managed by Public Safety.

FIRE OR OTHER EMERGENCIES

Setting or fueling a fire of any size is prohibited. The Resident shall give immediate notice to the Licensor of fire, accident, damage, and dangerous or defective conditions. All Residents must evacuate the Premises during a fire
alarm. Falsely reporting a fire or any other emergency, including bomb threat, falsely reporting a serious injury, or pulling a fire alarm station when no fire is evident is prohibited. Fire warning devices and safety equipment are to be used only in the case of an emergency. A fire alarm must be taken seriously, and in the event of a fire alarm the Resident must proceed in accordance with established evacuation/fire alarm protocols. These instructions may not be removed for any reason. Intentionally sounding an alarm in a non-emergency situation or tampering with emergency equipment is a criminal offense and the person or persons responsible will be treated accordingly. Tampering with apartment smoke detectors is prohibited. This paragraph shall not limit the Licensor’s ability to impose additional charge, penalties or sanctions for damage or destruction of fire safety equipment. Refusal to leave a building during a fire alarm, refusal to produce proper identification upon request of the Licensor, refusal to cooperate with a reasonable request by the Licensor, emergency personnel, or police officials acting in performance of their duties is prohibited and may result in disciplinary action.

FIRE EXITS
The fire exits are for emergency use only. These exits are alarmed and monitored. Other than during emergencies, entrance to and exit from the building is only at the main entrance, which is serviced by security guards. Improper use of fire exits may result in disciplinary action, up to and including License Agreement termination.

EVACUATION
Residents must evacuate in the case of emergency at the sole discretion of the Licensor and/or Queens College. Resident understands that no reduction in license fees will be given in the case of emergency evacuations.

FIRE HAZARDS:
PROHIBITED ACTIONS AND ITEMS
Movement and/or alteration of furniture, fixtures, and/or property without prior written permission from the Director or Assistant Director or their designee, failure to comply with procedures established for health, maintenance and safety concerns or “Piggy-backing” surge protectors (plugging more than one surge protector in an outlet) is prohibited.

Use and/or possession of the following items is prohibited:
- Halogen lamps or neon signs
- Fireworks, firecrackers, flammable liquids, cans or compressed gasses, poisons, highly combustible substances, chemicals, or any substance designed to injure others or damage property
- Gasoline or electrical powered vehicles or engines regardless of their state or dismantlement
- Open flame (e.g. candle, incense, cigarette, cigar, etc.) inside any part of The Summit
- Appliances in bedrooms which have open or exposed heating elements (e.g. hot plates, toaster ovens, space heaters, sunlamps, halogen lamps)
- Appliances without U.L. approval
- Refrigerators in personal bedrooms in excess of 2.5 amps
- Hookahs, E-cigarettes, or vaporizers including JUULs

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS
Holiday and other celebrations that typically involve the lighting of candles may be observed, with permission of the Management, only in a common area downstairs visible to Security, and only if conducted in a manner that does not trigger fire safety systems. Examples of such events include, but are not limited to the lighting of the Menorah during Hanukkah, or lighting the Kinara during KWANZAA. These rules apply to such occasions:
- Candle, incense, or other open flames are not permitted, even as decorations; this includes birthday, Shabbat, yahrzeit and holiday candles.
- Garbage bags or other flammable material may not be used for decorations.
- Room/apartment and individual lights may not be covered for any reason.
- Live trees are prohibited.
- **Doors:**
  - Summit entrance doors, doors and windows in other public areas, and doors in student rooms may be decorated in a manner that does not deface or damage property, create a fire hazard or result in resident complaints. No more than 50% of doors may be covered at any time. Material that is difficult to remove or might result in damage, such as artificial snow, is not permitted.
  - Decorations that violate any established policies are prohibited.
  - Empty alcohol bottles may not be used as decorations of any sort.
  - All lights or other decorations must be approved by the Summit Staff for your area.
  - Extension cords may not be used.
  - No protrusion through/around windows or screens.
  - Any structures or decorations that do not meet the standards set by The Summit Office and the Fire Marshal will be taken down immediately. If the required changes are not made, The Summit Staff reserves the right to remove all structures from the room and bill the resident for the cost of removal. Failure to remove or redesign items may result in a disciplinary action.
  - Fireworks or pyrotechnic explosive devices are not permitted by State Statutes and are prohibited in the residence halls.

Residents found in possession of the prohibited items will be required to remove the item from The Summit immediately and may face disciplinary action. Prohibited items may also be confiscated and returned at The Summit’s discretion. Items and/or paraphernalia related to alcohol and/or drug usage will be discarded. In addition, residents will be responsible for any cost accrued in the removal of the item. Residents are responsible for all damage caused from the use of permitted and/or prohibited items.

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- Neither The Summit nor Queens College is responsible for loss or damage to personal property of residents. We encourage you to carry personal property insurance. If applicable, you should check your parents’ policy to see if your property is covered in your room or apartment unit.

**REPORTING:**

**SAFETY DEFINITIONS**

**Cause of fire:** The factor or factors that give rise to a fire. The causal factor may be, but is not limited to, the result of an intentional or unintentional action, mechanical failure, or act of nature.

**Fire:** Any instance of open flame or other burning in a place not intended to contain the burning or in an uncontrolled manner.

**Fire Drill:** A supervised practice of a mandatory evacuation of a building for a fire.

**Fire-related Injury:** Any instance in which a person is injured as a result of a fire, including an injury sustained from a natural or accidental cause while involved in fire control, attempting rescue, or escaping from the dangers of the fire. The term person may include students, faculty, staff, visitors, firefighters, or any other individuals.
Fire-related Death: Any instance in which a person is killed as a result of a fire, including death resulting from a natural or accidental cause while involved in fire control, attempting rescue, or escaping from the dangers of a fire, or who dies within one year of injuries sustained as a result of the fire.

Fire Safety System: Any mechanism or system related to the detection of a fire, the warning resulting from a fire, or the control of a fire, including:
- sprinkler or other fire extinguishing systems
- fire detection devices
- stand-alone smoke alarms
- devices that alert one to the presence of a fire, such as horns, bells, or strobe lights
- smoke-control and reduction mechanisms
- fire doors and walls that reduce the spread of a fire.

Value of Property Damage: The estimated value of the loss of the structure and contents, in terms of the cost of replacement in like kind and quantity, including:
- contents damaged by fire
- related damages caused by smoke, water, and overhaul
- but not including indirect loss, such as business interruption

Fire Safety Systems in The Summit Apartments at Queens College: 64-80 Kissena Blvd, Flushing NY 11367

Fire Alarm: YES
Fire Extinguishers: YES
Room Smoke Detectors: YES
Manual Pull Stations: YES
Fire Sprinklers: YES
Fire Alarm Systems: YES
Central Monitor System: YES
Connected to IFA: YES
Standpipe: YES
Fire Drills Conducted: YES - 3 Times Annually

RESIDENTIAL FIRE SAFETY REPORT STATISTICS
The Summit Apartments at Queens College: 64-80 Kissena Blvd, Flushing, NY 11367

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