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## Introduction and the Jeanne Clery Act

The Jeanne Clery Act requires all colleges and universities which receive federal funding to share information about crimes on campus and their efforts to improve campus security. Colleges and Universities are required to:

- Make public its campus security policies.
- Collect, report and disseminate to the campus community and the U.S. Department of Education certain crime data.
- Give timely warnings of crimes that represent a threat to the safety of students or employees.
- Create, maintain and make available for public inspection, a daily crime log.

In compliance with the Clery Act, the Annual Security Report has been prepared for Rowan College at Gloucester County (hereafter "RCGC" or the "College") by the Office of Safety and Security under the direction of Joseph M. Getsinger, Executive Director.

The Annual Security Report is published each year by October 1st and contains crime statistics obtained from multiple reporting sources including the Office of Safety and Security, College departments, local law enforcement agencies (to include Deptford Township Police Department, Mantua Township Police Department, East Greenwich Township Police Department), the Gloucester County Prosecutor's Office, Sheriff's Office, the New Jersey State Police and Campus Security Authorities.

For statistical purposes, crime statistics reported to any of the above sources are recorded in the calendar year the crime was reported. Crime statistics are reported for the three calendar years prior to the October 1 publication; i.e., 2014, 2015 and 2016.

For definitions of Clery crimes see **Appendix A**. For a description of RGCG's campus, properties operated or controlled by the College, and adjacent public property, see **Appendix B-1**, **B-2** and **B-3**.

The Annual Security Report is made available to the entire campus community including prospective employees and students. A hard copy may be obtained in person from the Office of Safety and Security or by calling 856-681-6287, see **Appendix C**.

The Annual Security Report is available on-line at: <a href="http://www.rcgc.edu/Security/Documents/AnnualReports/Annual-Report-2017.pdf">http://www.rcgc.edu/Security/Documents/AnnualReports/Annual-Report-2017.pdf</a>

Questions regarding this Annual Security Report may be directed to Mr. Joseph Getsinger by calling (856) 681-6287 or emailing: jgetsinger@rcgc.edu

## **Reporting Crimes and Other Emergencies**

The safety and security of all members of the College and the protection of College property are of the utmost importance to the Board of Trustees and Administration. This safety and security function has been assigned to the Office of Safety & Security.

 The Office of Safety and Security is located in the Safety and Security Building (see Campus Map—Appendix D)

The building is strategically located nearest to the main entrance on Tanyard Road. Contained in the building are the Operations/Dispatch Center, the office of the Executive Director, the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and the satellite office of the Gloucester County Sheriff's Department.

Safety & Security Building West College Drive and Roadrunner Way Telephone: 856-681-6287 856-468-5000 extension 4444

- For immediate help, anyone on campus may **call 9-1-1** or use the blue light emergency telephones throughout campus by pushing the **RED button**.
- Gloucester County Sheriff's Department In addition to the campus security
  officers, the College has a long standing contract with the Gloucester County Sheriff's
  Department which provides law enforcement officers 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Friday
  and 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

Gloucester County Sheriff's Department Satellite Office Safety and Security Building West College Drive and Roadrunner Way 856-415-2200

Deptford Township Police Department

Criminal activity may be reported 24/7 by calling 856-845-2220 or dialing 9-1-1. The Police Department is located in the Deptford Township Municipal Building, 1011 Cooper Street, Deptford, N.J. 08096

The College does **not** have a written memorandum of understanding but works closely with the Deptford Township police department.

#### Campus Security Authorities (CSAs)

Reporting of crimes can be done by contacting one of the College's CSAs. A Campus Security Authority (CSA) is a Clery-specific term denoting an official of the College who has significant responsibility for student and campus activities and are required to report crimes that are reported to them.

While you may contact any CSA's listed below, the College prefers you contact one of the following officials to report a crime:

Safety and Security Officers

856-681-6287

 Almarie J. Jones, Title IX Officer, Executive Director Diversity and Equity, College Center Building

856-415-2154

All reports of sexual misconduct, harassment, discrimination and hate crimes must be reported to the Title IX Officer (See Appendix D).

• Samantha Van Kooy, Executive Director, Student Engagement 856-415-2276

 Other CSAs on campus who are obligated to report crimes to the Office of Campus Security and the Title IX Officer include:

President

Vice Presidents

Deans

Student Advisors

Athletic Director

Coaches

Athletic Trainers

CSAs are responsible for reporting any information they receive to the Office of Campus Security or the Title IX Officer or a campus official designated to receive reports of crimes. CSAs are not responsible for reporting or investigating incidents that they overhear in an indirect manner (overhear students talking in a hallway conversation; a victim mentions in a speech, workshop or similar group presentation).

CSAs are not responsible for determining authoritatively whether a crime took place, that is the function of law enforcement personnel. A CSA should not try to apprehend the alleged perpetrator of the crime. The CSA should not try to convince the victim to contact law enforcement if the victim choses not to. The College encourages prompt and accurate reporting of incidents.

Professional counselors whose official responsibilities include providing mental health counseling to students are **exempt** from reporting crimes they learn about through their role as a professional counselor. These include: Counseling and Wellness Center and People in Transition directors.

### **Collection of Crime Statistics**

Each year letters are sent out to the following agencies and departments or individuals requesting crime statistics for RCGC: campus at 1400 Tanyard Road; College Services Building at 6 Blackwood-Barnsboro Road, Mantua, N.J.; Gloucester County Fire Academy 200 Shady Lane, Clarksboro, N.J.; Adult Center for Transition 530 Salina Road, Sewell, N.J.; Workforce & Professional Development Institute 1492 Tanyard Road, Sewell, N.J.; and Rowan University 201 Mullica Hill Road, Glassboro, N.J. based on a Clery Map geography of their location. **See Appendix B** 

The College encourages accurate and prompt reporting of all crimes to the Office of Campus Security and appropriate police agencies, which include:

Deptford Township Police Department	856-845-2220
East Greenwich Township Police Department (Mickleton)	856-423-4100
Mantua Township Police Department	856-468-1920
Gloucester County Prosecutor's Office	856-384-5500
New Jersey State Police	609-882-2000
RCGC Student Affairs Assistant Director	856-468-5000 ext. 6456
Rowan University – Dean, University Relations	856-464-5230
Sheriff's Office	856-415-2200

The New Jersey State Police maintain a Real Time Crime Center on campus with sworn officers/troopers occupying the location.

The federally required "daily crime log," crime statistics, evacuation drill information and emergency operations plans are maintained in the Office of Safety & Security.

Access to these files is limited to security personnel. Hard copy of the crime log and the electronic file are solely maintained by the Director and Assistant Director of the Office of Safety & Security.

#### Notes:

- 1. While there are student organizations on campus, no student organization owns or controls property on or off campus.
- A cohort of RCGC's students attend classes and are housed at Rowan University.
   While Rowan University's Security Department will be responsible for the safety of
   these students, crimes committed against these RCGC students will be included in
   the statistics of both institutions (a potential duplication).

## **Security on Campus**

#### **Patrols**

Security officers patrol campus buildings and grounds to ensure the public welfare. RCGC is located at 1400 Tanyard Road, Sewell, N.J. 08080 which is part of Deptford Township, N.J. It is situated north of Salina Road, west of Route 55 and south of Gloucester County Institute of Technology in Gloucester County New Jersey. The number of officers on duty varies according to the time of day and expected level of activity. All officers are trained to assist in situations ranging from emergency response to general advice on crime prevention and provide escorts to vehicles. Please see **Appendix E** for a complete list of required training.

The security officers conduct foot patrols, assist in monitoring building access and activity, enforce College rules and regulations, respond to fire and intrusion alarms, assist the public as appropriate and enforce traffic and parking regulations. Security also provides many routine services to the campus community, including unlocking rooms for authorized members of the student body, faculty, staff and an escort program.

Security officers have the authority to ask persons for identification and to determine whether individuals have lawful business at the College. Security officers are **not** licensed to carry firearms and do **not** have arrest powers.

#### **Gloucester County Sheriff's Department**

The mission of the Office of the Sheriff on the RCGC's campus is to keep students, employees and visitors safe from crime, and to increase the quality of the educational environment. The direct office number is 856-415-2200.

Sheriff's Officers perform law enforcement activities, including but not limited to the administration of first aid to injured students, assisting with vehicle problems, parking and traffic enforcement, patrolling the campus for criminal activity and assisting with emergency response. Sheriff's Officers **are** authorized to carry firearms and **have** arrest powers.

#### **Emergency Blue Light Telephones**

There are emergency blue light telephones strategically located throughout the campus to ensure direct communications with the Safety & Security department and to the 9-1-1 Gloucester County Communications Center for a rapid police, fire or other emergency response. The Safety & Security patrol inspects these telephones once each shift. Security personnel are alerted to the exact location of the 9-1-1 activation whether it is from an office or from an emergency telephone.

#### **Building Inspections**

On a nightly basis after all classes are completed, all classroom doors are locked and each campus building is secured and alarmed by personnel from the Facilities department.

#### **Security Camera Systems**

The College utilizes and maintains a closed circuit monitoring system throughout the campus. The system is comprised of a network of cameras in both the interior and exterior of campus buildings. The system both deters and records any criminal activities throughout the campus. The system is monitored by security personnel at several monitoring stations.

#### **Overhead Street and Building Lighting**

Safety & Security officers inspect all exterior and exit light fixtures on all campus buildings as well as overhead street, path and parking lot lighting.

#### **Emergency Operations Center (EOC)**

The Safety & Security building houses an Emergency Operations Center which can be activated during an emergency on campus. This operations center includes telecommunications, radio systems, network connections, camera monitoring system, access to news and weather stations and can be used as a training and conference center. The EOC will be utilized during times of a critical incident and special events.

#### **College Website**

**RCGC.edu/security** provides information about the Office of Safety and Security's programs, crime prevention tips and crisis management information. It complies with the Clery Act by providing an Annual Security Report online and timely access to all required crime data.

#### Township, County, State and Federal Law Enforcement

The Safety & Security Office fully cooperates with local, county, state and federal agencies, such as the Deptford Township Police and fire departments, the Gloucester County Sheriff's Office, the Prosecutor's Office, County Probation and Parole, the Office of Emergency Management, the New Jersey State Attorney General, New Jersey State Police, FBI, Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA), Secret Service, Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and local, state and federal level Homeland Security branches.

#### **On Campus Confidential Resources**

The Center for Counseling and Wellness Services

The Center for Counseling and Wellness Services is located in the College Center, room 206. The Center supports RCGC students who may be dealing with personal issues that affect College success. The Center has licensed behavioral health staff available to meet confidentially with students to discuss concerns.

The Center for Counseling and Wellness Services staff are available:

Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Contact 856-464-5236 or 856-681-6240 for assistance.

People in Transition

The People in Transition staff are available:

Monday—Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Contact Nancy Howard, Director 856-415-2264 for assistance.

#### Student/Staff Identification

Students obtain their College photo identification badge after they are registered for classes. Employees obtain their College photo identification badge upon confirmation of employment. Employees are required to display their photo identification at all times while on campus. Students must carry their photo identification badge and present it to a Security Officer or law enforcement official who requests to see it.

## **Security Awareness and Crime Prevention Programs**

#### On Going

The following programs, presentations, services and materials are provided on a regular and on-going basis to students and employees:

- New Student Orientation: Crime prevention material is provided to students through brochures and the RCGC website as a standard part of the new student orientation at the start of the academic year.
- New Employee Orientation: New employees are provided with campus safety and security information.
- Personal Safety Escort Program: Officers from the department of Safety and Security provide escorts for persons walking from one point on campus to another point on campus and will assist any individual with special needs.
- Printed Crime Prevention Materials: Brochures and posters carrying crime prevention and awareness information related to safety and security are widely distributed at crime prevention presentations and at the campus Safety and Security office.
- Safety and Security website: The department's website provides up-to-date crime prevention programs, tips and general information.
- Brochures on Substance Abuse are placed throughout the campus.

#### **Mandated Training**

- Preventing Discrimination and Sexual Violence: Title IX, VAWA and the Clery Act—Faculty and Staff
- Student Empower: Title IX, VAWA and the Clery Act.

#### In Service

#### Clery/VAWA and Title IX Training

These programs are offered to students, faculty and staff.

**Creating a Safe and Inclusive Classroom Environment** keynote Professional Development Day presenter Angela Provitera McGlynn, Professor Emeritus, Psychology, Mercer County College

**Embracing LGBTQ Students, Faculty and Staff**—Professional Development Day presentation by RCGC Faculty Bryan Buttler

**Be Alert to Your Surroundings**—Professional Development Day presenter Jack DeAngelo, Gloucester County Office of Emergency Management

The Link between Alcohol, Drugs and Sexual Assault presentation by Jiwe Morris, author and speaker to uplift at risk youth

## **Security Awareness and Crime Prevention Programs**

In Service (cont'd)

**Sexual Assault Awareness**— Wellness Wednesday presentation by Services Empowering the Rights of Victims (SERV).

Sexual Assault Awareness— presented by Center for Family Services

"Miss Representation," film hosted about how the media stereotypes gender, hosted by the CWS and Center for Family Services

Suicide Prevention Awareness / Mental Illness Awareness Month Presenter: Barbara Maronski, MSW, LSW, Traumatic loss Colalition Coordinator for Camden and Gloucester Counties

**Domestic Violence Awareness / Suicide Awareness Month** Presenters: Monica Gural, Esq., Legal Services of New Jersey. Representatives from Center for Family Services (table with literature and give-aways) Guest presenters: Jim Jefferson, Gloucester County Freeholder, Eileen Caraker, RN, MS, FN-CSA, SANE-A, SANE-P, FNE Coordinator, Gloucester County Prosecutors Office

**LGBTQ Inclusion** presentation by Jamie McGonnigal, funding Artistic Producer of the World AIDS Day Concerts and a Founding Producer of the NY Musical Theatre Festival and successful producer/director of multiple Broadway musicals

**Stalking** presentation by Gloucester County Sheriff's satellite office at RCGC Officers Stan Kemp and Lori Shaw

**Diversity, Respect, Civility, Inclusion** presentation by Jesus Nebot, inspirational speaker and author

Madison Halloren Suicide Prevention Bill (new NJ) regarding 24/7 access to support Professional Development Day presentation by CWS Director, Lois Y. Lawson-Briddell, Ph.D., LSW

**Gender Diversity Among College Students/LGBTQ+** Professional Development Day presentation by Ann Villinski, Ph.D., Licensed Psychologist from Rowan University, Counseling and Psychological Services

**See Something; Hear Something; Say Something** Professional Development Day presentation by Jack DeAngelo, Gloucester County Office of Emergency Management

#### Risk Reduction Strategies (taken from Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network, www.rainn.org)

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

## Registered Sex Offender Information (Megan's Law)

The federal Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act requires institutions of higher education to issue a statement advising the campus community where information concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. Information about registered sex offenders may be obtained by visiting: <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/njsp/info/reg\_sexoffend.html">http://www.state.nj.us/njsp/info/reg\_sexoffend.html</a>

## **Emergency Operations Plan**

The purpose of the Emergency Operations Plan is to provide the College response to an emergency or widespread disaster that exceeds the capacity of any one department.

While the College's Emergency Operations Plan is a voluminous and comprehensive document, a "Quick Reference" chart is provided in **Appendix H.** 

The College utilizes the Rowan College Text Alert System, a mass notification system that includes text messaging, email and social media platforms for campus notification. Other methods include public address systems, fire alarm system, emergency vehicles equipped with public address systems, mega phones and the College webpage.

As soon as the Office of Safety and Security confirms, after deliberation or notification from first responders or the National Weather Service, that there is an emergency or dangerous situation that poses an immediate threat to the health and safety of the campus, the Office of Safety and Security will notify the President who will approve the content of the message and the mass notification system to be used.

In the event the President is unavailable, the Vice President and Chief Operating Officer will assume control. The existing chain of command will be used should the Vice President and Chief Operating Officer not be available.

**Note:** There are situations that the Executive Director of the Office of Safety and Security will have the discretion to contact the College community without consulting the President. The public's safety is the single most important determining factor in influencing which communication protocol is chosen.

In an emergency, the College will, <u>without delay</u>, taking into account the safety of the community, determine the content of the notification and initiate the notification system, unless issuing a notification will, in the professional judgement of responsible authorities, compromise efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

#### **Emergency Notification Process:**

An incident that occurs on the campus, or near the campus even if on public property, may require an **Emergency Notification** to the College community, especially if **the incident represents an imminent threat to the health or safety of the community** according to the Clery Act. An Emergency Notification to the community for any serious event that is occurring currently or a disaster, whether natural, or man-made will be determined by as noted above. The types of incidents that may cause an immediate threat to the College could include but, are not limited to emergencies such as:

- Active Shooter on campus
- Hostage/barricade situation
- Riot
- Suspicious package with confirmation of a device
- Tornado
- Fire/Explosion
- Suspicious death
- Structural damage to a College building, or owned and controlled by the facility
- Biological threat (anthrax, etc.)
- Significant flooding
- Gas leak
- Hazardous materials spill, etc.

In most cases, emergencies will be reported to the **9-1-1 County Operations Center**. The operator will dispatch a Sheriff's Officer to the scene to assess the situation. If the dispatcher deems the situation as being critical, he or she will request that surrounding municipal police departments assist in the response. If the situation is severe enough, the dispatcher will mobilize the County Emergency Response Team (ERT), which will arrive on campus and establish an onsite unified command and mobilize with RCGC's Emergency Operations Center. Responders will work to provide assistance and guidance on how to work in a higher education environment.

#### The Emergency Notification will work as follows:

- 1. The Director of the Office of Safety and Security will confirm the emergency as discussed previously;
- 2. The President will be notified and approve the content and mass notification system to be used: and
- 3. If the President is unavailable, the College chain of command will be utilized.

RCGC will hold a series of information sessions and post updates throughout and after an emergency. This will be followed up with a thorough after action review of the incident.

#### **Timely Warning Process:**

A **Timely Warning** will be released to the campus community for any crime that "represents a serious or continuing threat to the students and employees" of the College. The major incidents that require a timely warning according to the Clery Act are murder/non-negligent manslaughter, manslaughter by negligence, sex offenses, (rape, fondling, incest, and statutory rape), robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, arson or incidents if the crime represents a serious or continuing threat to the campus. Additionally, any hate crimes involving bodily injury or any of the previously listed crimes, that represent a continuing threat to the campus require a timely warning. Any other crimes that represent a serious or continuing threat to the community may also have a timely warning issued for them and they will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.

A timely warning can be issued in many ways, including, but not limited to the following:

- Rowan College Alert (text messaging, voice, email, social media)
- College Webpage
- Public address systems
- Fire Alarms
- Mega phone

The intention of a timely warning is to aid in the prevention of similar type incidents. A timely warning notice will typically include the following, unless issuing any of this information would risk compromising law enforcement efforts:

- Date and time or timeframe of the incident
- A brief description of the incident
- Information that will promote safety and potentially aid in the prevention of similar crimes (crime prevention or safety tips).
- Suspect description (s) when deemed appropriate and if there is sufficient detail (see note below).
- Office of Safety and Security contact information.
- Other information as deemed appropriate by the President or Vice Presidents.

The description of subjects in a case will only be included in the alert if there is sufficient amount of detail to describe the individual. If the only known descriptors are sex and race, this information will not be included in the alert.

#### The **Timely Warning** will work as follows:

- The Director of the Office of Safety and Security will confirm the emergency as discussed previously;
- 2. The President will be notified and approve the content and mass notification system to be used; and
- 3. If the President is unavailable, the College chain of command will be utilized.

#### **Timely Warning Process: (continued)**

Timely warnings are issued in a manner to students and employees that is timely and withholds the names of the victims as confidential, and that will aid in the prevention of similar occurrences.

**Note:** Campus Security Authorities have a duty to report sexual misconduct for federal statistical reporting purposes. As explained prior, all personally identifiable information is kept confidential, but statistical information must be passed along to campus law enforcement regarding the type of incident and its general location (on or off campus, in the surrounding area, etc- with addresses withheld), for publication in the Annual Security Report. This report helps to provide the community with a clear picture of the extent and nature of campus crime to ensure greater community safety. Victims of sexual misconduct should also be aware that College administrators must issue timely warnings for incidents reported to them that pose a substantial threat of bodily harm or danger to members of the College community to aid in the prevention of similar occurrences. The College will withhold the names and other personally identifiable information of victims as confidential, while still providing enough information for community members to make decisions related to their safety in the light of the danger.

Administrative Coordinating and Testing:

- The mass notification system is administratively coordinated through the Offices
  of Information and Technology and Safety and Security. Both offices have the
  ability to issue timely warnings and manage the mass notification system.
- Test(s) of the mass notification system, which broadcast timely warnings to the College community, is at minimum, conducted annually.
- The Office of Information and Technology is responsible for testing the system.
   Additionally, all emergency evacuation exercises are recorded. See Appendix I.

#### RCGC ALERT

RCGC Alert is an emergency and outreach notification system for students and employees. In the event of an emergency, Rowan College will contact you by phone, email and/or text message in a timely manner to ensure your safety as required by federal regulations. Rowan College also may wish to contact you by phone, email and/or text message for outreach notifications, including registration reminders, eLearning alerts and more.

#### **How to Register**

- To register for the RCGC Alert: http://www.rcgc.edu/Technology/Pages/RCGC-Alert.aspx
- To register for the Gloucester County Alert System for weather alerts and emergency information

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http://www.gloucesteralert.com/index.pho?CCheck=1

## **Sexual Misconduct and the Rights of Victims**

The College's position on sexual misconduct and its student code of conduct are provided in full on the following pages. Please note that these policies are currently being revised and the proposed changes are shown in the drafts.

Plain and simple, sexual misconduct in any of its forms is prohibited, will not be tolerated and will be met with decisive administrative action.

In addition to the College's policy and administrative procedure on Sexual Misconduct, a copy of the Campus Sexual Assault Victim's Bill of Rights is included in **Appendix F**.

The following policies and administrative procedures are related to campus safety and security and are provided in APPENDIX G. These are essential reading for all students and employees.

Anti-Bullying and Intimidation

Conscientious Employee Protection

**Employee Conduct & Work Rules** 

Harassment & Discrimination

Minors on Campus

Substance Abuse

# SEXUAL MISCONDUCT AND THE RIGHTS OF VICTIMS

Administrative Procedure: 7007 REVISE

Sexual Misconduct and the Rights of Victims



1400 Tanyard Road

Sewell, NJ 08080

Rowan College at Gloucester County

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All acts of sexual violence including dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and/or stalking are forms of sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. The use of alcohol and drug abuse are linked to risk factors associated with incidents of sexual assault, domestic violence and dating violence. Victims and witnesses are encouraged to report and cooperate with investigations of sexual assault, domestic violence and dating violence, including incidents where there is an implication of alcohol or drug use. The use of drugs or alcohol is not an excuse for failing to obtain consent for sexual activity. The College prohibits will not tolerate sexual misconduct in any of its forms.

The College encourages any victim or witness to sexual misconduct to contact one of the individuals or agencies listed on Attachment A, Reporting Allegations of Sexual Assault.

#### **Definitions**

"Domestic violence" includes asserted violent misdemeanor and felony offenses committed by the victim's current or former spouse, current or former cohabitant, person similarly situated under domestic or family violence law, or anyone else protected under domestic or family violence law.

"Dating violence" means a pattern of behavior where one person threatens to use, or actually uses physical, sexual, verbal, or emotional abuse to control a dating partner. Whether there was such a relationship will be gauged by its length, type and frequency of interaction.

"Sexual Assault" includes both forcible and non-forcible acts of sexual assault. This includes any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent. Additionally, non-forcible sexual offences include incest and statutory rape.

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

"Consent/Consensual" means clear communication given by words or actions that shows an active, knowing and voluntary agreement to engage in mutually agreed-upon sexual activity. Consent is given freely and voluntarily. Consent may not be inferred from silence, passivity or when an individual is incapacitated or otherwise prevented from giving consent as a result of impairment due to a mental or physical condition or age. No consent exists when there is a threat of force or physical or psychological violence. Although consent may be given initially, it may be withdrawn at any point without regard to activity preceding the withdrawal of consent. The voluntary nature of consent will be subject to heightened scrutiny in circumstances in which a person engages in a sexual relationship with a person over whom he or she has any power or authority within the College.

#### Sanctions Against the Violator

Following an investigation, College employees charged with such conduct are subject to prosecution and are subject to disciplinary action under applicable policies, procedures and/or collective bargaining provisions. Sanctions that the College may impose on an employee following a final determination of responsibility include, but are not limited to, counseling, written warning, suspension and final warning and/or termination of employment.

Students charged with such conduct are subject to prosecution and are also subject to disciplinary action under the College's policy, 8106 Student Code of Conduct and Procedural Standards. Sanctions that the College may impose on a student following a final determination of responsibility include, but are not limited to, warning the student, loss of privileges, restitution, disciplinary probation, suspension or expulsion. (for a full list of sanctions see; administrative procedure 8106 Student Code of Conduct and Procedural Standards)

The standard of evidence used in College hearings is a preponderance of the evidence standard; i.e., more likely than not that sexual misconduct occurred.

#### Reporting Sexual Misconduct and Assistance Available for Victims

The following actions should be taken by the victim or a witness to sexual misconduct:

- 1. Report the alleged offense as soon as possible to:
  - Almarie Jones, Title IX Officer and Executive Director of Diversity and Equity at (856) 415-2154.
    - a. Cheryl McBride, Director of Student Affairs at (856) 468-5000, ext. 6456.
    - b. Campus Security (856) 681-6287
  - Gloucester County Sheriff (856) 681-2200
  - Deptford Police (856) 845-6440
  - <u>Campus Security Authorities In addition to the resources listed on Attachment A, a victim or bystander can notify any College official with significant responsibility for student and campus activities such as, but not limited to, a dean, department chair, a
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89		faculty member, staff advisor or a coach. All Campus Security Authorities are
90		required to report the incident to the Title IX Officer.
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92	2	Before a student or employee reveals information that he or she may wish to keep
93		confidential, a Campus Security Authority should make every effort to ensure that the
94		student or employee understands the following considerations based on their desired level
95		of confidentiality:
96		a. The Campus Security Authority's obligation to report the names of the alleged
97		victim and complainant involved in the alleged sexual misconduct (including the
98		date, time, and location) to the Title IX Officer;
99		b. The victim's option to request that the College maintain his/her confidentiality.
100		which the Title IX Officer will consider; and
101		c. The victim's ability to share the information with the following resources
102		confidentially:
103		The Center for Counseling and Wellness Services (CWS) will provide
103		confidential counseling and assistance. Professional counselors are
105		available in Room 206 of the College Center building (during regular
103		business hours) or a complainant can call Dr. Lois Lawson-Briddell at
107		(856) 415-2243 for an appointment.
107		<ul> <li>Center for People in Transition located in the College Center (just off</li> </ul>
108		mezzanine) provides confidential assistance to displaced homemakers
110		whose major source of income and financial support is lost through
111		spousal separation, divorce, death or disability and who is emotionally
112		and/or vocationally unprepared to enter the job market. The Center works
113		directly with SERV for victims of domestic and sexual abuse and can
114		provide expedient referrals if deemed necessary. Contact Nancy Howard.
115		Director at 856-415-2264. Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
116		• Services Empowering Rights of Victims (SERV), provides a 24/7 toll-free
117		hotline at 1-866-295-SERV (7378), crisis intervention, counseling,
118		advocacy and support at hospitals, police stations and courts for survivors
119		of sexual and domestic violence. SERV provides safe housing for female
120		victims of domestic violence and their children. SERV provides a
121		website: www.centerffs.org
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123		NOTE: As required by the Clery Act, the above confidential resources are
124		required to report to the Title IX Officer any "Clery" crime of which they have
125		knowledge. The individual's identity is not required to be revealed.
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127	3.	Preserve evidence as may be necessary as proof of criminal activity or to obtain a
128		protection order, even if the victim does not want to report to law enforcement at the time
129		of the incident. While the College does not have the authority to issue orders of
130		protection, the Office of Safety and Security (856-681-6287) will provide assistance.
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132	4.	A victim will be assisted by Campus Authorities in notifying law enforcement
133		authorities, if the victim chooses.
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5. A victim has the option NOT to notify and/or seek assistance from campus authorities and law enforcement.

1. Call Services Empowering Rights of Victims (SERV) on their 24/7 toll-free hotline 1-866-295-SERV (7378) SERV is the New Jersey designated sexual violence service provider. This agency is available 24/7 to coordinate care and support of the victim. Instructions in victim rights, escort to the hospital, counseling and assistance with court appearances are provided.

• Your reporting of a crime or suspected crime to any of the above authorities is voluntary and confidential.

  You also have the option NOT to notify and/or seek assistance from campus authorities and law enforcement. Filing a report will not necessarily obligate a victim to prosecute the crime.

#### **Investigating Allegations of Sexual Misconduct**

As soon as a complaint form is filed with Almarie Jones, Title IX Officer and Executive Director of Diversity and Equity, an impartial and reliable investigation will be performed. Opportunity will be provided for both the complainant and the alleged perpetrator to present witnesses and evidence. Both parties will be provided with the opportunity to be accompanied by an advisor of their choice.

In a protracted case, the College will take interim measures and make reasonable accommodations to protect the complainant.

For both students and employees, the evidentiary standard (preponderance of the evidence; i.e., more likely than not that sexual misconduct occurred) will be used in resolving a complaint. In the event of a complaint or for obtaining and/or enforcing a restraining order, the Gloucester County Sheriff Department should be contacted. The Sheriff's Department has the responsibility to engage the Deptford Township Police to investigate and/or handle the preservation of evidence.

Written notice to the complainant and alleged perpetrator of the outcome of the complaint will be done concurrently; including sanctions imposed and appeal procedures.

For students, follow the appeal procedures in policy 8106 Student Code of Conduct and Procedural Standards. For employees, follow appeal procedures in policy 7026 Grievances.

#### Confidentiality

The substance and outcome are to remain confidential and will only be shared with the alleged perpetrator, complainant, and those directly involved in the investigation. Any violation of

confidentiality of substance and/or outcome will be subject to disciplinary action under applicable policies, procedures, and/or collective bargaining provisions.

The complainant will be informed that an employee of the College hearing the complaint

The complainant will be informed that an employee of the College hearing the complaint of sexual misconduct has the responsibility to report the incident to the Title IX Officer or inform the complainant of his/her right to request the College to maintain his/her confidentiality. The professional counselors in the Center for Counseling and Wellness Services (CWS) are exempt from reporting the crime if functioning within the scope of his or her license or certification.

The College is required under federal law (Clery Act) to report incidents of sexual misconduct but will not identify any victim in the mandated annual security report.

#### Assistance Available to the Victims

#### On Campus

- A complainant or witness can file a Complaint Form with Almarie Jones, Title IX Officer
  and Executive Director of Diversity and Equity as soon as possible. The form is
  available on the College's website or the complainant can call 856-415-2154 for a
  confidential meeting.
  - For student on-student sexual misconduct, a complainant or witness may also contact Cheryl McBride, Director of Student Affairs at (856) 468-5000, ext. 6456.
- The Center for Counseling and Wellness Services (CWS) will provide confidential
  counseling and assistance. Professional counselors are available in Room 206 of the
  College Center building (during regular College business hours) or a complainant can call
  Dr. Lois Lawson-Briddell at (856) 415-2243 for an appointment.
- Center for People in Transition located in the College Center (just off mezzanine) provides confidential assistance to displaced homemakers whose major source of income and financial support is lost through spousal separation, divorce, death or disability and who is emotionally and/or vocationally unprepared to enter the job market. The Center works directly with SERV for victims of domestic and sexual abuse and can provide expedient referrals if deemed necessary. Contact Nancy Howard, Director at 856 415 2264. Hours: Monday Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

#### Off Campus

 Services Empowering Rights of Victims (SERV), listed above, provides a 24/7 toll-free hotline, crisis intervention, counseling, advocacy and support at hospitals, police stations and courts for survivors of sexual and domestic violence. SERV provides safe housing for female victims of domestic violence and their children. SERV provides a website: www.centerffs.org

#### Reasonable Accommodations

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Employees and/or students who report or are the victims of sexual misconduct will be afforded reasonable accommodations to avoid hostile environments or working conditions.

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The College does not provide housing or dormitories, therefore, accommodations for living situations are not provided.

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For students, contact Almarie Jones, Title IX Officer at (856) 415-2154 to navigate through the appropriate departments to serve:

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- Change of class;
- Class withdrawal past deadline;
- An incomplete class grade;
- Class retake, free of charge; and
- Campus safety escort and protective measures; and
- Transportation.

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For employees, contact the Director of Human Resources at (856) 415-2113 to secure:

- Change of work location or assignment;
- Leave as provided or allowed under law or policy;
- Campus safety **esc**ort; and
- Adjustment in hours worked.

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A copy of this administrative procedure will be provided to all students and employees. The College catalog and student handbook also address a variety of campus community concerns such as visa and immigration assistance, student financial aid and College policies and administrative procedures.

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#### For students:

- Change of class:
- Class withdrawal past deadline;
- An incomplete class grade:
- Class retake, free of charge; and
- Campus safety escort.

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#### For employees:

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- Change of work location or assignment:
- Leave as provided or allowed under law or policy;
- Campus safety escort; and
- Adjustment in hours worked.

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272 273	Training for Students and Employees
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276	A brochure, titled TITLE IX is not just a number it's the Law! is provided to each new student
277	and employee.
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279	The training will consist in part with the mandatory on-line training titled, <i>Preventing</i>
280	Discrimination and Sexual Violence: Title IX, VAWA, and Clery Act for Faculty and Staff and
281	Preventing Discrimination and Sexual Violence: Title IX, VAWA, and Clery Act for Students.
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283	In addition to this educational awareness experience, other related resources and training will be
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286	Compliance will be monitored by the Title IX Officer as well as tracked by an electronic learning
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292	Title IX and other laws include protection against retaliation. If the College learns of possible
293	retaliation for filing a complaint of sexual misconduct, including threats, intimidation, coercion
294	or discrimination, it will take immediate and appropriate steps to investigate and remedy the
295 296	action with disciplinary action, if necessary.
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299	Area: Human Resources
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306	References:
307	Rowan College at Gloucester County Board of Trustees Policy Manual and College Administrative
308	Procedures, 7007 Sexual Misconduct and the Rights of Victims, 8106 Student Code of
309	Conduct & Procedural Standards, 7026 Grievances.
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## $Reporting \ Allegations \ of \ Sexual \ Assault \ and \ Resource \ Referrals \ {\it (Revised: 7/2017)}$

There are multiple safe places for students to report allegations of sexual assault, both on and off campus. Reports of sexual assault can be made to any of the following offices listed in the chart below.

Service	Resource	Phone Number/Location/Website		
Non- Confidential	Gloucester County Sheriff's Office	856-681-2200		
Reporting	Deptford Twp. Police Dept.	856-845-2220		
Local Law Enforcement	Gloucester County Prosecutor's Office	856-384-5500		
Non- Confidential	Campus Security and/or 9-1-1 Gloucester County	Blue Light Emergency Phones around campus		
Reporting	Campus Security	ext. 4444 from any campus desk phone		
Campus Security Authorities and 9-1-1	Campus Security	856-681-6287 from any non-campus phone		
Non- Confidential	Almarie Jones AA/Title IX Officer, Executive Director Diversity and Equity	856-415-2154 College Center, first floor ajones@rcgc.edu		
On-Campus Reporting Support Service	Samantha Van Kooy Executive Director, Student Engagement	856-415-2276 College Center, room 202 svankooy@rcgc.edu		
Non- Confidential Reporting	All employees are obligated by fede	All students and employees are encouraged to report alleged crimes on campus. All employees are obligated by federal law to report crimes that pose an ongoing threat to the community to the Office of Safety and Security or to Deptford Police.		
Confidential	Center for Counseling and Wellness Services (CWS)	College Center, room 206		
On-Campus	Lois Y. Lawson-Briddell Ph.D., MSW, LSW, Director	856-415-2243 llawsonb@rcgc.edu		
Counseling and Support Services	William Leonard Ph.D., Intervention Teams Consultant	College Center, STEM Division Offices 856-415-2119 • wleonard@rcgc.edu		
Confidential On-Campus Support Services	Nancy Howard Director, The Center for People in Transition (PIT)	856-415-2264 College Center (Lower Mezzanine) nhoward@rcgc.edu		
Confidential Off-Campus Full-Service Support	Services Empowering Rights of Victims (SERV)	1-866-295-SERV (7398) centerffs.org/serv		

# STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT AND PROCEDURAL STANDARDS



Rowan College at Gloucester County 1400 Tanyard Road Sewell, NJ 08080

Administrative Procedure: 8106

Student Code of Conduct and Procedural Standards

The College is dedicated to the advancement of knowledge while ensuring an environment that is orderly and to act decisively to eliminate disruption of the educational process.

It should be noted that all Rowan College at Gloucester County students who officially participate in dual activities at another college or university are responsible for being aware of, and are held accountable for adhering to the conduct policies and procedures at **both** institutions.

These administrative procedures have been designed to protect the student, to be fair to all parties, to prevent the imposition of inappropriate penalties and to offer the right to appeal.

In all situations, the student will be informed of the charges, allowed to be represented, provided with written copy of the complaint and be given an opportunity to appeal. The proceedings will include a prompt, fair, and impartial process from initial investigation to the final result.

While the final responsibility for administration of student discipline rests with the President of the College, the President may, through a designee, immediately impose an interim suspension upon a student when there is evidence that the presence of the student on campus may pose a threat to others or to the continuance of normal college function when, due to the immediacy of the issue, time does not allow for the formal discipline process.

#### Student Discipline Guidelines

In all cases, any disciplinary action should be appropriate to the nature and severity of the violation. Single or multiple sanctions may be imposed when students are found responsi

violation. Single or multiple sanctions may be imposed when students are found responsible for violating the Student Standard of Conduct. Many factors are considered when deciding sanctions. These factors may include past disciplinary record, the nature of the violation, and the

37 severity of damage or harm resulting from the violation.

Students who are suspended or expelled as a result of a violation of the Student Standard of
 Conduct are not eligible for a refund of tuition or fees for the semester in which the suspension
 or expulsion occurs. Students who are suspended or expelled after the Withdrawal Deadline has

41 passed are not eligible to receive Withdrawals.

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#### Process for Student Conduct Issues and Discipline

#### Filing a Complaint

Complaints should be filed in a timely manner. Complaints against students may be filed by anyone who feels the Student Standard of Conduct has been violated. A complaint must be received in writing by the Office of Student Affairs. Students and staff may file complaints directly in the Office of Student Affairs or complaints may be sent via email to the Director of Student Affairs or his or her designee, (hereafter "Director"). Complaints should include as much detail as possible and make a specific reference to the part of the Student Standard of Conduct the complainant feels has been violated. If the complaint involves perceived criminal activity, it should immediately be reported to Campus Safety and Security (856-681-6287) who will then forward a report to Student Affairs. If a complaint provides evidence that presence of the accused student on campus may pose a threat to others or to the continuance of normal College function, the College reserves the right to impose an interim suspension from campus pending a disciplinary hearing.

#### Notice

If it is determined that a complaint will be adjudicated by the disciplinary system, the accused student will be notified of the alleged violation via the campus webmail system. Notice may also be made in writing or by phone using the student's contact information on file. The disciplinary hearing notice will state which portion of the Student Standard of Conduct was allegedly violated and describe the date and location on which the alleged violation occurred if applicable. The hearing notice will instruct the student to call and schedule a disciplinary hearing or waive his/her right to a hearing by signing a Hearing Waiver. If the accused student faits to attend or reschedule the hearing, a decision may be made in the student's absence. Alternately, an administrative hold may be placed on the student's account for failure to respond to a disciplinary hearing notice.

#### Rights in Disciplinary Hearings

1. The student has the right to receive written notice of the charges.

2. The student has the right to review the case file prior to and/or during the hearing. All personally identifying information of other individuals mentioned in the case will be redacted. The student may review the file, but may not take photographs of the file or be provided with copies.

 The burden of proof in determining responsibility rests upon the complainant, who
must establish that the accused student is "more likely than not" responsible for the
conduct violation based on the information presented.

4. Disciplinary hearings will be closed. Only those directly involved in the case can attend.

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5. The student has the right to confidentiality pursuant to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974

6. The student has the right to be assigned an impartial hearing officer.

7. The student has the right to have a personal advisor present at the disciplinary hearing as a support person. The advisor may be an attorney. While the advisor can be present, he or she can have no role in the hearing. Advisors are not permitted to speak on behalf of the student, appear in the place of the student, or ask questions during the hearing. A student wishing to have an advisor present must inform the Office of Student Affairs at least 24 hours in advance of the disciplinary hearing. If the advisor is an attorney, the College will determine if legal counsel for the College should also be present at the hearing. If the student's selected advisor is unable to attend, the hearing will not be cancelled.

- 8. The student has the right to bring witnesses with information directly related to the incident to the hearing. Witnesses may not be present for the entire disciplinary hearing. They will be called to participate when appropriate. A hearing will not be postponed if a witness is unable to attend. Written statements from witnesses may be considered. A student wishing to have a witness present must inform the Office of Student Affairs at least 24 hours in advance of the disciplinary hearing by providing the name of the witness or witnesses and a summary of the information s/he is expected to provide.
- 9. The accused student will receive written notification of the decision reached via campus webmail after a decision is reached. The student may be notified via postal mail as well. The notification of results will include a list of sanctions imposed, if any.
- 10 Victims may submit written statements detailing the effects of the violation. These statements will remain confidential and will be used in determining appropriate sanctions if the accused is found responsible. In "crimes of violence" or "sex offenses," victims have the right to be notified of the outcome of the disciplinary hearing and information. Victims in these cases also have the right to appeal. In cases of sexual misconduct, victims have the right to full participation in the disciplinary hearing process.
- 11. The College will, upon written request, disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence (as the term is defined in section 16 of title 18, United States Code), or a non-forcible sex offense, the report on the results of any disciplinary proceeding conducted by the College against a student who is the alleged perpetrator of such a crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of such crime or offense, the next of kin of such victim will be treated as the alleged victim for purposes of this policy.

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129 130	Hearings for Sexual Misconduct
131 132 133 134	The College, at its sole discretion, may utilize an experienced lawyer (who is not a member of the campus community) to serve as hearing officer in cases of sexual misconduct. The evidentiary standard (preponderance of the evidence; i.e., more likely than not a violation occurred) will be used to determine the finding (responsible or not responsible).
135 136 137 138 139 140	While the hearing officer will determine the finding after the case is concluded, the College reserves the right to impose any and all sanctions. As a general rule, cases of sexual misconduct will be heard by a hearing officer. (See policy and administrative procedure, 7007 Sexual Misconduct and the Rights of Victims)
141	Description of Sanctions
142 143	Types of sanctions which may be imposed include, but are not limited to the following:
144	Official Warning: An official warning is a written statement indicating that a student has
145	violated the Student Standard of Conduct and warning that subsequent violations may
146	result in more severe disciplinary sanctions.
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148	<b>Probation:</b> A student on probation is not in good social standing with the College. If a
149	student is found responsible for a subsequent similar violation while on probation, suspension or expulsion may occur.
150	Restitution: The requirement that a student be held accountable for public or private
151	property that he/she damaged or destroyed by either replacing or paying for the property
152	lost. A restitution fee can be added to the student account.
153	Decision Making Reflection: A decision making reflection is a written assignment
154	designed to provide an opportunity for the student to reflect on the violation of the
155	Student Standard of Conduct. Decision making assignments are submitted to the
156	Director of Student Affairs.
157	Educational Task: Completion of an educational assignment such as a workshop or
158	online training course designed to give the student the opportunity to reflect on the
159	violation.
160	No Contact Directive: A no contact directive states that the student may not have any
161	interaction with a specific individual for the remainder of the student's academic career at
162	the College.
163	Educational Counseling: Students sanctioned to educational counseling are required to
164	visit the Center for Counseling and Wellness Services to learn about available resources
165	and strategies for success.
166 167	Suspension of Privileges: While on suspension of privileges, a student may be restricted from participation in athletics, student organizations, and/or campus employment. A

168 169 170	student may also be suspended from the privilege of utilizing campus parking, computer labs, or other facilities if deemed appropriate. Notification of the suspension will be sent to the appropriate coach, advisor, or supervisor if applicable.
171 172 173 174 175 176	Suspension: Suspension is dismissal from the institution for a specified period of time. A suspended student may not attend classes or complete academic work for a specified period of time. A currently suspended student may not be present on campus or at College sponsored events for any reason. The terms of the suspension may stipulate that the student fulfill certain conditions before returning to the College. The student is not eligible for a refund of tuition or fees.
177 178	<b>Expulsion:</b> Expulsion is permanent dismissal from the institution. A student who is expelled may never again register for courses or attendiclasses at the College.

**Expulsion:** Expulsion is permanent dismissal from the institution. A student who is expelled may never again register for courses or attend classes at the College. Additionally, the student may not be present on campus or at College sponsored events for any reason. Expulsion will be noted on the student's academic transcript. The student is not eligible for a refund of tuition or fees.

The Office of Student Affairs reserves the right to notify parents/guardians of students less than 21 years of age when a student is found responsible for an alcohol and/or drug violation.

> Note: Failure to complete sanctions will result in an administrative HOLD on the student's account until the student completes the sanction.

#### Hearing and Appeals Processes

Step 1 A Complaint is Filed:

- A report of misconduct is received by the Director of the Office of Student Affairs.
- The Director notifies involved parties of the complaint in writing. A disciplinary hearing is offered to the accused student. The student may choose to waive his/her right to a hearing and have a decision made in his/her absence.
- The Director determines whether it is more likely than not that a violation occurred. A decision is communicated to the student in writing and if warranted sanctions may be imposed.

#### Step 2 The Appeal:

If the student disagrees with the findings, the student contacts the Office of Student Affairs within five (5) business days of receipt of the Director's decision to begin the appeal process. The student is responsible for completing the written appeal. The written appeal and case information is submitted to the Office of Student Affairs and forwarded to the Vice President of Student Services for review. Sanctions remain in place during the appeal process.

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211	> The	e Vice President reviews the appeal information and notifies the student of the
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219	> The	e student may appeal to the President within five (5) business days of receipt of the
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238	References:	
239	VVVC3387025	e at Gloucester County Board of Trustees Policy Manual, 8106 Student Code of
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241	Rowan College	at Gloucester County Administrative Procedure, 7007 Sexual Misconduct and the
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### **CRIME STATISTICS**

(Calendar Year 2014, 2015, 2016)

In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Act, the College reports crime statistics by Clery-defined geography.

#### On-campus is defined as:

Owned or controlled by the institution;

Within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area; and

Used to meet or support the Institutions educational purposes

The College's On-campus locations include all College-owned buildings on campus, including Workforce and Professional Development Institute and the Adult Center for Transition.

#### Public property is defined as:

Owned by a public entity—city, state or federal government;

Within campus or borders and is accessible from campus;

Accessible is defined as:

No barrier between campus border and public property

Some type of barrier exists but frequently ignored by students (fence or wall that students climb over, under or through)

Tanyard Road, Salina Road and Blackwood-Barnsboro Road are public property surrounding the campus.

#### Non-campus building or property is defined as:

Any public building or property not part of the main campus nor a separate campus and is:

Owned or controlled by the College

Used in support or in relation to the College's educational purposes

Remote classrooms

Student Housing

Frequently used by students

RCGC Non-campus buildings or property are:

Fire Academy, 200 County House Rd., Clarksboro, NJ

RCGC College Services Building 6 Blackwood-Barnsboro Rd., Mantua Twp., NJ

Rowan University, 201 Mullica Hill Rd., Glassboro, NJ - Rowan Choice Cohort

RCGC cohort of students who take classes and live in a dormitory on the campus of Rowan University. Rowan University reports Clery crime statistics for this cohort of students in their Annual Security Report as On-campus geography. RCGC also reports Clery crime statistics for this cohort, as Non-campus geography, in our Annual Security Report.

Note: No Fire Report is required due to no student housing at this College

## Rowan College at Gloucester County *Crime Statistic Report 2014 to 2016*Crime Reporting and Clery Act: Crime Statistics on Campus

Criminal Homicide: Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter   Non-Campus   0	Category	Venue	2014	2015	2016
Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter   Non-Campus   0	Criminal Homicide:	On Campus	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	Murder and Non-Negligent	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	Manslaughter	Public Property	0	0	0
Non-Campus		TOTALS	0	0	0
Non-Campus		On Campus	0	0	0
TOTALS	Manslaughter by Negligence	Non-Campus	0	0	0
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Non-Campus		TOTALS	0	0	0
Non-Campus		On Campus	0	0	0
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Non-Campus		On Campus	0	0	0
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On Campus		Public Property	0	0	0
Non-Campus   0		TOTALS	0	0	0
Non-Campus   0		On Campus	0	0	0
Public Property   0		Non-Campus	0	0	0
Robbery   On Campus   0   0   0   0	Statutory Rape	Public Property	0	0	0
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			0	0	1
			2014	2015	2016

# Rowan College at Gloucester County *Crime Statistic Report 2014 to 2016*Crime Reporting and Clery Act: Crime Statistics on Campus

Category	Venue	2014	2015	2016
	On Campus	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Assuut	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Burglary	Non-Campus	0	0	1
	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	0	1
	On Campus	0	0	0
Arson	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Domestic Violence	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Dating Violence	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Stalking	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Liquor Law Arrests	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	0	0
		2014	2015	2016

# Rowan College at Gloucester County *Crime Statistic Report 2014 to 2016*Crime Reporting and Clery Act: Crime Statistics on Campus

Category	Venue	2014	2015	2016
Liquor Law Referrals	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	18	42
	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	18	42
	On Campus	0	0	0
Drug Law Arrests	Non-Campus	0	0	5
-	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	0	5
	On Campus	0	1	0
Drug Law Referrals	Non-Campus	0	5	7
	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	6	7
	On Campus	0	0	0
Weapons Possession Arrests	Non-Campus	0	0	0
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	TOTALS	0	0	0
Weenene December	On Campus	0	0	0
Weapons Possession Referrals	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Hate Crimes	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Unfounded Crimes	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	TOTALS	0	0	0
		2014	2015	2016

Hate Crimes: A criminal offense that manifests evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the perpetrator's bias against the victim. Included are any of the previous listed crimes and any incidents of: Larceny/Theft, Simple Assault, Intimidation, or destruction/damage/vandalism of property which manifests evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the perpetrator's bias. The bias categories are: Religion, Race, Sexual Orientation, Gender, Gender Identity, Ethnicity, National Origin or Disability. Unfounded Crimes: For Clery purposes, only if a sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel makes a formal determination that the report was false or baseless.

# Rowan College at Gloucester County *Crime Statistic Report 2014 to 2016*Crime Reporting and Clery Act: Crime Statistics on Campus

	Rowan College at Gloucester County						
2016 Crime Incidents							
Incident #	Date Reported	Date Occurred	Time	Des cription of Incident	Location	On/Non- Campus	Disposition
2016-029	2/25/2016	2/18/2016	4:00PM	Harassment	Student Ser- vices	On Campus	Referred to Student Services
2016-024	4/28/2016	4/28/2016	7:35AM	Disorderly Conduct	Parking Lot D	On Campus	Closed
2016-034	6/7/2016	5/31/2016	2:47PM	Criminal Mis- chief	IC Snack Area	On Campus	Closed
2016-035	6/28/2016	6/28/2016	1:50PM	Criminal Mis- chief	IC Snack Area	On Campus	Closed
2016-101	7/28/2016	7/28/2016	11:30AM	Harassment	Student Ser- vices	On Campus	Referred to Student Services
2016-127	9/19/2016	9/19/2016	9:00AM	Harassment	College Cen- ter	On Campus	Referred to Human Resources and Sheriff's Officer
2016-183	11/17/2016	11/17/2016	11:30AM	Suspicious Activity	Scott Hall	On Campus	Referred to Title IX Officer and Sheriff's Officer
Total Incidents: 07					Updated: 03-21-2017		

Hate Crimes: A criminal offense that manifests evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the perpetrator's bias against the victim. Included are any of the previous listed crimes and any incidents of: Larceny/Theft, Simple Assault, Intimidation, or destruction/damage/vandalism of property which manifests evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the perpetrator's bias. The bias categories are: Religion, Race, Sexual Orientation, Gender, Gender Identity, Ethnicity, National Origin or Disability.

**Unfounded Crimes**: For Clery purposes, only if a sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel makes a formal determination that the report was false or baseless.

# **Fire Safety Report**

The Office of Safety & Security is not required to publish a fire safety report to since there are no student residences on campus at this time.

#### **Fire Evacuation Plan**

If a fire occurs on campus, you should immediately notify the Office of Safety & Security through a blue light emergency telephone by pressing the blue button or on a campus landline telephone at extension 4444. Safety & Security personnel will initiate a response by contacting the Gloucester County Emergency Dispatch Center (9-1-1).

All students and employees are required to evacuate the building when the alarm has sounded and proceed slowly to the nearest exit and go directly to a designated assembly point (at least 200 feet away from the building) determined by security or emergency personnel at the time of the incident.

The last individual exiting a room should close the door and proceed to the closet exit away from the danger. If smoke hampers your means of egress, you must find an alternative route or exit on your hands and knees.

Elevators are never to be used to evacuate the building, as smoke will rise into the elevator shaft, placing everyone inside at serious risk. Handicapped individuals should go to the nearest staircase and wait for assistance. Call 856-681-6287.

Safety and Security officers or Deptford Township Fire Department personnel will indicate when the building is safe to re-occupy.

Notify the Office of Safety & Security after a fire has occurred if you extinguished it yourself and no one reported the original fire.

#### **Health and Safety Inspections**

The Gloucester County Fire Marshall's Office performs inspections twice a year, once in the Fall and once in the Spring. The inspections are primarily designed to find and eliminate safety violations. The inspections will include, but not limited to: a visual examination of electrical cords, sprinkler heads, smoke detectors and other life safety systems.

In addition, each room will be examined for the presence of prohibited items (e.g., sources of open flames, such as candles, non-surge protected extension cords, halogen lamps, portable cooking appliances in non-cooking areas, etc.) or prohibited activity (e.g., smoking in buildings, tampering with life safety equipment, etc.).

#### **Fire Safety Tips**

#### Fire Drills/Evacuation

- Never assume a false alarm.
- Evacuate the building promptly.
- Know the safest and quickest route out of the building.
- For evacuation routes, see the evacuation map posted in each classroom.
- Always move as quickly and safely as possible.
- Do not use elevators.
- Upon exiting the building, remain approximately 200 feet away from the building.
- Do not re-enter the building until emergency personnel have declared it safe to do so.

#### Fire Safety Equipment

- Never hang items or cover sprinkler piping or heads.
- Know locations of the nearest alarm pull station and/or emergency blue light telephone.
- Never tamper or cover smoke detectors.

#### <u>Prevention</u>

- Maintain a clear path through the classroom to the door.
- Never cook in non-designated cooking areas.
- Never use candles.
- Avoid placing extension cords under carpeting.
- Always plug personal items into power strips.
- Avoid using thin wire extension cords.
- Outlet adapters are prohibited.
- Flammable materials and combustion source devices, such as kerosene heaters, are prohibited in. Always keep hallways free of personal items and trash.

**Definitions and Terms: 2013 VAWA Amendments to Clery** 

**Sexual Assault**: An offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, incest or statutory rape as used in the FBI's UCR program.

**Sex Offenses:** Any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

**Rape** – The penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim.

**Fondling** – The touching of the private body 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** – Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

**Statutory Rape** – Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

Domestic Violence: A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed

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

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

- The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party's statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.
- For the purposes of this definition, dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse.
- Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence.
- Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

**Stalking:** Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to

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

For the purposes of this definition:

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

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

**Consent/Consensual:** Clear communication given by words or actions that shows an active, knowing and voluntary agreement to engage in mutually agreed-upon sexual activity.

- Consent is given freely and voluntarily;
- Consent may not be inferred from silence, passivity or when an individual is incapacitated or otherwise prevented from giving consent as a result of impairment due to a mental or physical condition or age.
- No consent exists when there is a threat of force or psychological violence.
- Consent may be given initially, and it may be withdrawn at any point without regard to activity preceding the withdrawal of consent.

The voluntary nature of consent will be subject to heightened scrutiny in circumstances in which a person engages in a sexual relationship with a person over whom he/she has any power or authority within the College.

#### **Criminal Homicide:**

**Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter** — The willful, non-negligent, killing of one human being by another.

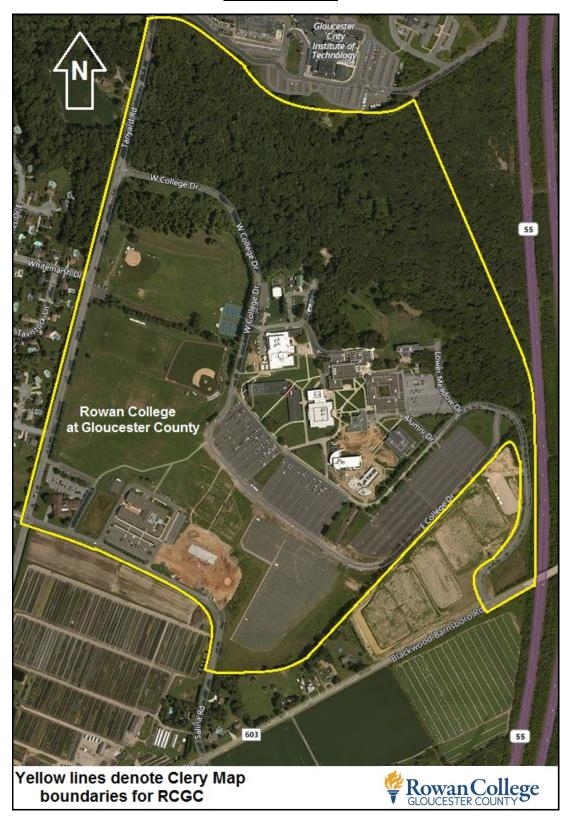
**Negligent Manslaughter** — The killing of another person through gross negligence.

**Robbery** — The taking, or attempting to take, anything of value under confrontational circumstances from the control, custody or care of another person by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear of immediate harm.

- **Aggravated Assault** The unlawful attack by one person upon another wherein the offender uses a weapon or displays it in a threatening manner, or the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration or loss of consciousness.
- **Burglary** The unlawful entry into a building or other structure with the intent to commit a felony.
- **Motor Vehicle Theft** The theft of a motor vehicle.
- **Arson** To unlawfully and intentionally damage, or attempt to damage, any real or personal property by fire and incendiary device.
- Hate Crimes Hate crimes are not separate, distinct crimes, but rather traditional offenses, including criminal homicide, sex offenses, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft and arson, plus larceny-theft, simple assault, intimidation and destruction, damage or vandalism of property that is motivated, in whole or in part, by the offender's bias against a race, gender, religion, national origin, sexual orientation gender identify ethnicity, or disability.
- **Larceny/Theft** The unlawful taking, carrying, leading or riding away of property from the possession, or constructive possession of another person.
- **Simple Assault** An unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bone(s), loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration or loss of consciousness.
- **Intimidation** To unlawfully place another person in reasonable fear of bodily harm through the use of threatening words and/or other conduct, but without displaying a weapon or subjecting the victim to actual physical attach,
- **Destruction, Damage, Vandalism of Property** To willfully or maliciously destroy, damage, deface or otherwise injure real or personal property without the consent of the owner or other person having custody or control over it.
- **Illegal Weapons Possession** The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices or other deadly weapons.
- **Drug/Narcotic Violations** The unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation or importation of any controlled drug or narcotic substance.
- **Liquor Law Violations** The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession or use of alcoholic beverages.

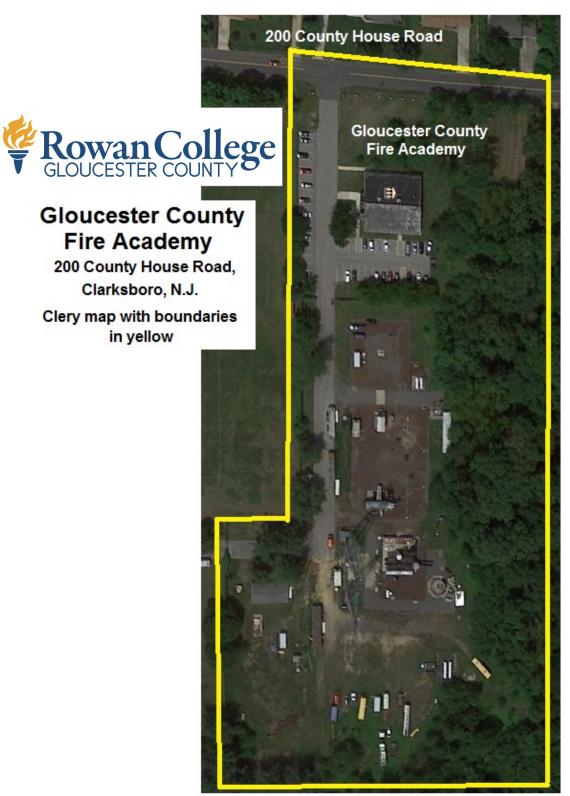
# **APPENDIX B-1**

# **ON CAMPUS**



## **APPENDIX B-2**

# **NONCAMPUS**



## **APPENDIX B-3**

# **NONCAMPUS**



Clery Map of College Services Boundaries



#### **WHEN**

The Annual Security Report (ASR) is made available on October 1 of each year in accordance with the federal Clery Act.

#### **WHO**

The ASR is made available to all current and prospective students as well as all current and prospective employees.

#### **HOW**

#### **Current Students and Current Employees**

The following message will be sent to each current student and employee announcing the availability of the ASR on the College's portal at:

http://www.rcgc.edu/Security/Documents/AnnualReports/Annual-Report-2017.pdf

"The security of all members of the campus community is of vital concern to Rowan College at Gloucester County (RCGC). In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act, an Annual Security Report (ASR) containing information regarding campus security programs, recommended personal safety practices, the authority of the campus Safety and Security Officers, campus crime statistics for the most recent three year period and College policies concerning disciplinary procedures, sexual assault harassment, etc. can be found online at: <a href="http://www.rcgc.edu/Security/Documents/AnnualReports/Annual-Report-2016.pdf">http://www.rcgc.edu/Security/Documents/AnnualReports/Annual-Report-2016.pdf</a> or a hard copy may be requested from the Office of Safety and Security at 856-681-6287."

#### **Prospective Students and Prospective Employees**

The Human Resources office will include a printed version of the above referenced email in each interview folder for those prospective employees interviewed on campus.

The Admissions Office will include the same announcement in their application process for interested applicants (both on-line and hard copy applications).



### **COMPLAINT FORM**

Name of Complainant:	A
Street Address:	
City and State:	ZIP Code:
Phone:Email:	
Status:StudentEmployeeOtt	ner (Please specify)
Name of the person(s) you are filing the complaint against:	
Complaint Summary: (Please use additional sheets to provide  Date(s) of Incident(s):	
Location(s) of Incident(s):	
Summary of Complaint:	
Please check one:	
I understand that this is a formal complaint form that will confidential process based on need to know.	initiate an investigation into my allegations. It is a
I do not want a formal investigation into my allegations ar	nd want the incident kept as a private, confidential matter.
(Signature Required)	(Date)
Rowan College at Gloucester County reserves the right to pro if it deems necessary. This decision will be made on a case-by-	

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# **Title IX Complaint Form**

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Complaint Summary: (continued)
List the names of all known or potential witnesses:
How would you like to see this situation resolved?
Have you informed any other college employee in another department about your complaint? If yes, please identify
he individual(s).
Return this form to:
Almarie J. Jones, Executive Director, Diversity and Equity Affirmative Action/Title IX Officer
Phone: 856-415-2154 Email: ajones@rcgc.edu
For Use by the Title IX Officer Only
Type of Complaint  Bullying/Intimidation Discrimination Harassment Retaliation
Sexual Misconduct Stalking
Basis of the Complaint
Race/Color Creed Ancestry Age Gender
Marital Status Familial Status Religion Affectional or Sexual Orientation
Atypical heredity cellular or blood trait Disability Genetic information
Liability for Service in the US Armed Forces Other: (Please specify)

Revised: 11-20-2015

# CAMPUS SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIM'S BILL OF RIGHTS

#### **APPENDIX E** 1 of 2

#### (Pursuant to NJSA 18A, Chapter 61E)

Revised as of 11/18/04

#### INTRODUCTION

A college or university in a free society must be devoted to the pursuit of truth and knowledge through reason and open communication among its members. Academic communities acknowledge the necessity of being intellectually stimulating where the diversity of ideas is valued. Its rules must be conceived for the purpose of furthering and protecting the rights of all members of the college community in achieving these ends. The boundaries of personal freedom are limited to applicable state and federal laws and institutional rules and regulations governing interpersonal behavior. In creating a community free from violence, sexual assault and non-consensual sexual contact, respect for the individual and human dignity are of paramount importance. The state of New Jersey recognizes that the impact of violence on its victims and the surrounding community can be severe and long lasting. Thus, it has established this Bill of Rights to articulate requirements for policies, procedures and services designed to insure that the needs of victims are met and that the colleges and universities in New Jersey create and maintain communities that support human dignity.

#### **BILL OF RIGHTS**

The following Rights shall be accorded to victims of sexual assault that occur:

- on the campus of any public or independent institution of higher education in the state of New Jersey, and
- · where the victim or alleged perpetrator is a student at that institution, and/or
- · when the victim is a student involved in an off-campus sexual assault

#### **HUMAN DIGNITY RIGHTS**

- To be free from any suggestion that victims must report the crimes to be assured of any other right guaranteed under this policy.
- To have any allegations of sexual assault treated seriously; the right to be treated with dignity.
- To be free from any suggestion that victims are responsible for the commission of crimes against them.
- To be free from any pressure from campus personnel to:
  - ♦ report crimes if the victim does not wish to do so
  - ◊ report crimes as lesser offenses than the victim perceives the crime to be
  - ♦ refrain from reporting crimes
  - ♦ refrain from reporting crimes to avoid unwanted personal publicity.

#### RIGHTS TO RESOURCES ON AND OFF CAMPUS

- To be notified of existing campus and community based medical. Counseling, mental health and student services for victims of sexual assault whether or not the crime is formally reported to campus or civil authorities
- To have access to campus counseling under the same terms and conditions as apply to other students in their institution seeking such counseling.
- To be informed of and assisted in exercising:
  - any rights to confidential or anonymous testing for sexually transmitted diseases, human immunodeficiency virus, and/or pregnancy.
  - any rights that may be provided by law to compel and disclose the results of testing of sexual assault suspects for communicable diseases.

## CAMPUS SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIM'S BILL OF RIGHTS APPENDIX E 2 of 2

#### **CAMPUS JUDICIAL RIGHTS**

- To be afforded the same access to legal assistance as the accused.
- To be afforded the same opportunity to have others present during any campus disciplinary proceeding that is allowed the accused.
- To be notified of the outcome of the sexual assault disciplinary proceeding against the accused.

#### **LEGAL RIGHTS**

- To have any allegation of sexual assault investigated and adjudicated by the appropriate criminal and civil authorities of the jurisdiction in which the sexual assault is reported.
- To receive full and prompt cooperation and assistance of campus personnel in notifying the proper authorities.
- To receive full, prompt, and victim-sensitive cooperation of campus personnel with regard to obtaining, securing, and maintaining evidence, including a medical examination when it is necessary to preserve evidence of the assault.
- To be free from any suggestion that victims were contributory negligent or assumed the risk
  of being assaulted.

#### **CAMPUS INTERVENTION RIGHTS**

- To require campus personnel to take reasonable and necessary actions to prevent further unwanted contact of victims by their alleged assailants.
- To be notified of the options for and provided assistance in changing academic and living situations if such changes are reasonably available.

#### STATUTORY MANDATES

Each campus must guarantee that this Bill of Rights is implemented. It is the obligation of the individual campus governing board to examine resources dedicated to services required to implement the Bill of Rights and to make appropriate requests to increase or reallocate resources where necessary to ensure implementation.

Each campus shall make every reasonable effort to ensure that every student at that institution receives a copy of this document.

Nothing in this act or in any "Campus Assault Victim's Bill of Rights" developed in accordance with the provisions of this act, shall be construed to preclude or in any way restrict any public or independent institution of higher education in the State from reporting any suspected crime or offense to the appropriate law enforcement authorities.

# ANTI-BULLYING AND INTIMIDATION



Rowan College at Gloucester County 1400 Tanyard Road Sewell, NJ 08080

Policy:

8110

Title:

Anti-Bullying and Intimidation

Area:

**Student Services** 

Approved:

8/3/11

The College maintains a strict policy prohibiting harassment, bullying and intimidation. This policy applies to all students of the College.

The College defines harassment, bullying and intimidation as any gesture, any written, verbal or physical act, or any electronic communication, whether it be a single incident or a series of incidents, that is reasonably perceived as being motivated either by any actual or perceived characteristic, such as race, creed, color, national origin, age, ancestry, nationality, marital or domestic partner or civil union status, sex, pregnancy, gender identity or expression, disability, liability for military service, affectional or sexual orientation, atypical cellular or blood trait, genetic information (including refusal to submit to genetic testing), that takes place on the property of the College or at any function sponsored by the College, or by electronic means at or away from the College, that substantially disrupts or interferes with the orderly operation of the institution or the rights of other students and that such action/behaviors:

- a. as a reasonable person should know, under the circumstances, will have the effect of physically or emotionally harming another student or damaging another student's property, or placing another student in reasonable fear of physical or emotional harm to his/her person or damage to his/her property;
- b. have the effect of insulting or demeaning any student or group of students in such a way as to cause disruption in, or interference with, the orderly operation of the College; or
- c. create a hostile educational environment for other students at the college; or

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d. infringe on the rights of other students at the College by interfering with a student's education or by severely or pervasively causing physical or emotional harm to the student.

Violations of this policy are subject to disciplinary action in accordance with College policy and the Student Standard of Conduct. Students who engage in prohibited harassment, intimidation or bullying are subject to disciplinary action, up to and including possible expulsion from any academic or continuing education program, the College and all its events and activities.

#### Procedure for Reporting

Complaints of bullying/intimidation should be reported immediately to the Director of Student Affairs at 856-415-2276. Complaints may also be reported to the Executive Director of Diversity and Equity at 856-415-2154. Complaints of bullying/intimidation will be investigated in a timely manner.

#### References:

N.J.S.A. 18:A37-13 et seq. Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act

Rowan College at Gloucester County Board of Trustees Policy Manual and Administrative Procedures, 2011 Acceptable Use of Technological Resources; 7005 Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity; 7003 Harassment and Discrimination; 7007 Sexual Misconduct and the Rights of Victims; 8100 Student Rights and Responsibilities; 8106 Student Code of Conduct and Procedural Standards.

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# CONSCIENTIOUS EMPLOYEE PROTECTION (WHISTLE BLOWER)



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Administrative Procedure: 7004

**Conscientious Employee Protection (Whistleblower)** 

#### Intent

New Jersey's Conscientious Employee Protection Act (Whistleblower) (N.J.S.A. 34:19-3 et. seq. also known as CEPA) and Board Policy 7004 were established to prohibit retaliatory action by an individual against another person who discloses or threatens to disclose an individual's illegal activities, who testifies before a public body regarding an individual's violations of law or who refuses to participate in an activity which the individual believes is illegal.

#### Reporting Suspected Misconduct

An individual reporting suspected misconduct:

- will be protected from retaliation for reporting suspected misconduct;
- can report suspected misconduct anonymously, but doing so may limit an individual's protection from retaliation and the College's ability to conduct a full investigation;
- can contact the Executive Director of Human Resources at any time concerning the timeline of the review or investigation;
- can amend a report if new information becomes available;
- · should not investigate suspected misconduct on their own; and
- will be notified when the investigation is complete.

#### Misconduct

Misconduct is any on-the-job activity performed by a College employee or student that violates state and/or federal laws or regulations, local ordinances or Board policy. Misconduct includes, but is not limited to:

- Misuse, mismanagement, or misappropriation of funds, securities, vehicles, property, facilities or any other College asset
- Corruption or bribery
- Theft of College property
- · Paying or receiving money for hours not worked
- Falsification of documents or reports
- Willful failure to perform duties
- Discrimination

Administrative Procedure: 7004 Conscientious Employee Protection (Whistleblower)

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- Sexual harassment
- Using or being under the influence of alcohol or drugs at work
- Endangerment of public health or safety
- Unauthorized release of confidential information
- Retaliation against an employee who has reported suspected misconduct or interference with the right of an employee to report suspected misconduct

Great care must be taken in dealing with suspected misconduct to avoid the following:

- inaccurate accusations;
- violating any employee's right to due process;
- making statements that could lead to claims of false accusation or other offenses; or
- alerting suspected individuals that an investigation is under way.

#### Confidentiality

The College will attempt to prevent disclosure of the identity of the employee reporting suspected misconduct without their consent. However, often the identity of an individual may become obvious to others due to the nature of the information. The reporting individual's identity may be disclosed if necessary or required:

- to any law enforcement agency investigating the matter;
- to College employees assigned to investigate the matter;
- if required pursuant to a subpoena or by law;
- if necessary to defend a grievance by an employee or student; or
- if required by due process in connection with disciplinary action against the person accused.

The individual will be notified by the Executive Director of Human Resources when the individual's identity will be disclosed under any of the above circumstances. Whenever possible, the individual will be notified in advance of the disclosure. Individuals reporting suspected misconduct or subsequent retaliation may need to testify in order to prove misconduct occurred and to defend against legal action or grievance that may be brought against the College, its officers or its agents.

#### **Reporting Suspected Misconduct**

Individuals who are aware of or have reason to suspect misconduct should report the conduct either orally or in writing. An individual should report suspected misconduct as soon as reasonably possible. Once an initial report has been filed, an individual may amend the report if the individual becomes aware of new information. Supervisors should not investigate reports, but instead must notify the Executive Director of Human Resources when a report of suspected misconduct is received.

Reports of suspected misconduct should include the following information:

- Name of individual filing the report (a report may be anonymous, but such action may limit an individual's protection from retaliation and the College's ability to conduct a full investigation)
- Address and telephone number where the individual prefers to be contacted

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- A detailed description of the suspected misconduct. This should include the name(s) and department(s) of all those believed to be involved
- Dates or range of dates of suspected misconduct
- Any supporting evidence or material that may be available to the reporting individual. However, employees are not to investigate suspected misconduct on their own or remove College records from their proper location.

If suspected misconduct is reported orally, the supervisor or College administrator receiving the report will document all information received at the time the report is made or as soon afterwards as possible and forward the report to the Executive Director of Human Resources.

#### **False Information**

It is important to protect individuals from false, unsubstantiated or inaccurate accusations. An individual who knowingly gives false information or knowingly makes a false report of suspected misconduct or a subsequent false report of retaliation, or who knowingly provides false answers or information in response to an ongoing investigation will be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal, by the College.

#### Report of Investigation

When the investigation is completed, a confidential report of the investigation will be sent for appropriate action to the vice president responsible for the unit where the investigation was conducted or to the President for units that report to the President. If illegal activity appears to have occurred, the findings will be reported to the appropriate authorities.

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**Human Resources** 

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Rowan College at Gloucester County Board of Trustees Policy Manual, 7004 Conscientious **Employee Protection (Whistleblower)** 

# **EMPLOYEE CONDUCT AND WORK RULES**



Rowan College at Gloucester County 1400 Tanyard Road Sewell, NJ 08080

Administrative Procedure: 7065
Employee Conduct and Work Rules

To assure orderly operations and the best possible work environment, the College expects employees to follow rules of conduct that will promote respect and protect the interests and safety of all members of the College community. All employees are expected to wear a College Photo ID or Name Badge during work hours.

It is not possible to list all of the forms of behavior that are considered unacceptable in the workplace, but the following is a core listing of such behavior. Committing any of the following violations will be considered sufficient grounds for disciplinary action, ranging from a verbal warning to immediate discharge depending on the seriousness and the frequency of the offense. Depending on the nature of the violation it may be necessary to skip the warning steps. Any violation classified as gross misconduct will result in immediate termination.

The disciplinary steps listed below are intended to be a guide for employees and supervisors. No disciplinary action should be imposed on any employee without the consultation of Human Resources.

The code for the actions listed below is as follows:

V = Verbal warning

W = Written warning

S = Suspension

T = Termination of employment

Violation	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense	4th Offense
Patterns of absence or tardiness	V	W	S	Т
Contributing to disorderly or unsanitary conditions	V	w	S	Т
Disregard of business dress code standard	V	W	S	Т
Failure to report for accepted overtime work without a justifiable reason, or failure to properly notify the College of such absence	V	W	S	Т
Idling or inattention during work hours	V	W	S	Т

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Violation	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense	4th Offense
Improper use of College property or facilities including parking areas	V	w	S	Т
Indecent or abusive language or gestures	V	W	S	T
Leaving assigned work area without permission	V	W	S	T
Parking in unauthorized area	V	W	S	T
Participating in any activity that interferes with normal operations, or attempting to influence or persuade others to engage in such activities	V	W	S	Т
Posting or removing notices in work areas or on bulletin boards without prior approval of the College	V	w	S	Т
Rude or discourteous behavior to a student, vendor or fellow employee	v	w	s	Т
Smoking in unauthorized areas	V	W	S	Т
Disregard or violation of safety rules or common safety practices	w	S	Т	
Failure to adhere to College policy and administrative procedures.	W	S	Т	
Gambling during working hours	W	S	T	
Making, publishing or distributing false, vicious or malicious statements concerning any vendor, employee, student, supervisor of the College, college facilities or any individual directly or indirectly related to the conduct of College business	W	S	Т	
Solicitation or distribution of unauthorized material during work time	W	S	Т	
Failure to comply with Federal, State or College mandated training and/or required reading	w	s	Т	
Drinking, being under the influence of alcohol or a detected odor of alcohol on an employee's breath during working hours	S	Т	:	
Insubordination, including the refusal to follow a supervisor's instructions	S	Т		
Off duty conduct that reflects adversely on the College or may affect job performance or arrest or indictment for conviction of any crime	S	Т		
Retaliating against a student, vendor or fellow employee	S	Т		

Violation	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense	4th Offense
Sexual advances, request for sexual favors or other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature that has the purpose or effect of interfering with an employee's work performance or creating an offensive work environment	S	Т	A	
Sleeping or giving the impression of sleeping during working hours	S	Т		
Abusing, destroying, or defacing College premises	Т			
Carrying, possession or using firearms or any dangerous weapons at any time on College premises	Т			
Dishonesty or the failure to report an act or plan of dishonesty	Т			
Falsification of one's own timecard, and/or another employee's timecard	Т			
Falsification, misuse, removal or unauthorized disclosure of confidential College information or records to outsiders, including but not limited to employee, student or vendor information	Т			
Fighting, making threats, assault or any act of violence	Т			
The inappropriate use of cameras, cell phones, imaging, and digital devices which is prohibited in showers, restrooms or other areas where privacy is expected	T	ē		
Possession, sale, distribution, use or being under the influence of illegal drugs or a controlled substance at any time on College premises. An employee using a legal drug (prescription drug), which may affect behavior, is required to report such use to his/her supervisor prior to starting work. If job performance is affected, the supervisor may remove the employee from his/her shift	Т			
Theft, attempted theft, unauthorized possession, or removal of College property or the property of others	Т		,	1 0

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Violation	1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense	4th Offense
Sexual advances, request for sexual favors or other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature that has the purpose or effect of interfering with an employee's work performance or creating an offensive work environment	S	Т		
Sleeping or giving the impression of sleeping during working hours	S	Т		
Abusing, destroying, or defacing College premises	Т			
Carrying, possession or using firearms or any dangerous weapons at any time on College premises	т			
Dishonesty or the failure to report an act or plan of dishonesty	Т			
Falsification of one's own timecard, and/or another employee's timecard	Т			
Falsification, misuse, removal or unauthorized disclosure of confidential College information or records to outsiders, including but not limited to employee, student or vendor information	Т			
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Theft, attempted theft, unauthorized possession, or removal of College property or the property of others	Т			

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#### Supervisor's Guidance

The purpose for this administrative procedure is to ensure equitable treatment of employees in disciplinary actions. For employees whose performance is below the acceptable level, please refer to the policy and administrative procedure, 7062 Employee Performance Appraisal and Salary Administration Program.

Policy and administrative procedure requires supervisors to request the guidance of Human Resources (HR) **prior** to any formal disciplinary action.

The following guidance is provided to instruct supervisors when using the above chart:

Verbal Warning: an informal disciplinary action for violations as listed above is taken after ascertaining the facts and providing an opportunity for the employee to respond. The warning may take the form of a memo or email with acknowledgement and is maintained by the Supervisor. A copy is **not** placed in the employee's personnel file.

Written Warning: a formal disciplinary action taken for violations listed above or repeat violation(s) where a verbal warning has been given. The employee will have an opportunity to meet with the supervisor, HR representative and a union representative, if applicable and requested by the employee. A copy of the written warning is filed in the employees' personnel file. Written warnings may be appealed according to Board policy or negotiated agreements. (See policy and administrative procedure, 7026 Grievances)

Suspension: a formal disciplinary action taken to place an employee on a non-pay status. An employee may be placed on suspension with pay if an investigation is required. While a suspension is generally a progressive disciplinary step, as shown in the above chart, a suspension may be imposed for the "1st offense". Suspensions may be appealed according to Board policy or negotiated agreements. (See policy and administrative procedure, 7026 Grievances)

Termination: the most severe disciplinary action terminating the individual's status as an employee and may be based on the employee's actions on or off the job depending on the adverse effects on the College. Additionally, termination may be based on actions before appointment which reflect upon the employee's suitability for employment and which were not divulged or made known to the appointing officials at the time of appointment. Terminations may be appealed according to board policy or negotiated agreements. (See policy and administrative procedure, 7026 Grievances)

#### Guidance For Suspensions And/or Terminations (Guidance of a representative from HR is required.)

- a. An employee should be given advance written notice of the proposed action that will be submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval, except as outlined in policy and administrative procedure, 7065 Employee Conduct and Work Rules where termination is the action imposed for the 1st offense. Terminations may be appealed according to Board policy or negotiated agreements. (See policy and administrative procedure, 7026 Grievances)
- b. The notice must state any and all reasons for the proposed action specifically and in detail.

  Normally, not more than one year of an employee's past disciplinary record may be considered in determining the severity of an adverse action except when past discipline is directly related to the current charges and established a pattern of abuse.

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- c. It must be clear that the proposed action is for reasons related to the efficiency of the College.
- d. All material relied on to support the reasons for the proposed action must be assembled and made available to the employee for review.
- e. The employee must be informed of the right to appeal the action or of the right to grieve using the negotiated grievance procedure, if applicable. (See policy and administrative procedure, 7026 *Grievances*)
- f. A reasonable amount of time must be allowed for the employee to secure affidavits and prepare a reply. There is no formula for determining what a reasonable time is. A maximum time to reply in terms of work hours should be stated in the proposal. It can be extended on approval of a written request from the employee.
- g. The employee must be given an opportunity to make any pleas which may sway the decision. It is not proper to restrict the employee to responding solely to the reasons given for proposing the action. The employee may plead extenuating circumstances or make any other representation.
- h. If the employee replies, the reply must be considered before the proposed action is submitted to the Board of Trustees.
- i. The official who hears the employee's personal reply must have the authority to submit the final action to the Board of Trustees for approval.
- j. The final action cannot be more severe than the action that was proposed, but may be less severe.
- k. The final decision must be approved by the Board of Trustees. HR must prepare a RICE notice and ensure delivery to the employee at least 48 hours prior to the Board of Trustees meeting.

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**Human Resources** 

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References:

Rowan College at Gloucester County Board of Trustees Policy Manual, 7065 Employee Conduct and Work Rules; 7062 Employee Performance Appraisal and Salary Administration; 7026 Grievances Rowan College at Gloucester County Administrative Procedures, 7062 Employee Performance Appraisal and Salary Administration; 7026 Grievances

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# HARASSMENT & DISCRIMINATION



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Administrative Procedure: 7003

Harassment and Discrimination

All forms of employment and educational harassment and discrimination based on protected categories (see policy 7003 Harassment and Discrimination) are prohibited. Sexual harassment is a form of unlawful gender discrimination and sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence and stalking constitute a violation of federal law.

#### Sexual Harassment

Unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors and other verbal, physical or visual conduct of a sexual nature constitute sexual harassment when:

- 1. Submission to such conduct is made a condition of employment or participating fully in the educational experience; or
- 2. Submission or rejection of such conduct is used as a basis for employment or educational decisions affecting the individual; or
- 3. Such conduct has the purpose or effect of substantially interfering with the work performance of an employee or the educational performance of a student, or creating or maintaining an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment.

Sexual harassment may include a wide range of obvious and/or subtle comments and conduct. Depending on the circumstances, it may include, but is not limited to, repeated offensive or unwelcome sexual advances; subtle or overt pressure for sexual favors; sexual jokes; verbal comments or innuendo of a sexual nature; propositions or advances; graphic commentary about an individual's body, sexual prowess or sexual deficiencies; leering, whistling, touching, pinching or other physical touching; suggestive, insulting or obscene comments or gestures; and/or display of sexually suggestive objects or pictures. Sexual harassment may include harassment between individuals of the same gender.

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#### Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking

Sexual misconduct (including domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking) destroys mutual respect and a trusting environment and can bring substantial personal harm to individuals and violates individual rights. Such behaviors will not be tolerated at the College and are expressly against Board policy and constitute a violation of state and federal law. (See policy 7007 Sexual Misconduct)

#### Consensual Relationships

Whenever an employee uses a position of authority to induce another person to enter into a non-consensual relationship, the harm both to that person and to the institution is clear and is a violation of law. Even where the relationship is consensual, there is significant potential for harm when there is an institutional power difference between the parties involved, as is the case for example between supervisor and employee, faculty and student, coach and athlete, or academic advisor and advisee. Such relationships may cast doubt on the objectivity of any supervision and/or evaluation provided.

Therefore, consensual romantic and sexual relationships are discouraged. These relationships may be subject to concerns about the validity of consent, conflicts of interest and unfair treatment of other students or employees. Such relationships can undermine the atmosphere of trust essential to the employment relationship and the educational process. A person involved in a consensual relationship should not have a direct responsibility for evaluating employment or academic performance or for making decisions regarding the promotion, tenure, or compensation of the other party to the relationship.

#### Other Forms of Protected Classification Harassment

Harassment on the basis of any other protected characteristic is also strictly prohibited. Under this policy, harassment is verbal or physical conduct that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion toward any individual because of his/her race, creed, color, national origin, age, ancestry, nationality, marital or domestic partner or civil union status, sex, pregnancy, gender identity or expression, disability, liability for military service, affectional or sexual orientation, atypical cellular or blood trait, genetic information (including refusal to submit to genetic testing), and that:

- 1. Has the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive work or educational environment:
- 2. Has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or educational performance; and/or
- 3. Otherwise adversely affects an individual's employment or educational experience.

Harassing conduct includes, but is not limited to: epithets, slurs, or negative stereotyping, threatening, bullying, intimidating, stalking or hostile acts; and written or

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graphic material that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual or group and that is placed on walls or elsewhere on the College's premises or circulated on the College campus or workplace, including email or the College's computer system.

#### **Bullying and Cyber Harassment**

The College is committed to providing a campus free from threats, bullying, intimidation, stalking and other harassing behaviors. These behaviors may include, but are not limited to the following:

- 1. Repeated, unwanted/unsolicited contact that includes face-to-face contact, telephone calls, voice messages, text messages, online posts, blogging, electronic video and/or photography, electronic mail, instant messages, written letters, unwanted gifts; and/or
- 2. Verbal or written abuse, threats, harassment, coercion or any other conduct that places another individual in reasonable fear of his or her safety through words or actions directed at that person, or substantially interferes with the working, educational or personal environment of the individual; and/or
- 3. Threatening or persistent offensive communication through the Internet, via email chat rooms or other electronic devices.

#### Complaint Resolution Procedure: Investigation and Non-Retaliation

The College encourages employees, students and any other individuals to utilize the following complaint resolution procedure which is also found under administrative procedure 7005 Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity and repeated here:

- Any individual who has reason to believe that he or she is the victim of
  discrimination or harassment in any of its many forms, or any individual who has
  witnessed such conduct, should report such a complaint to the Executive Director
  Diversity and Equity, Affirmative Action/Title IX, located in the College Center,
  telephone number (856) 415-2154.
- All information regarding harassment complaints will be kept in confidence to the greatest extent practical and appropriate under the circumstances.
- All reports of harassment in violation of this policy will be investigated promptly
  and thoroughly. An investigation will include meeting with the alleged harasser
  as well as all relevant persons, including the complainant, and other potential
  witnesses, as appropriate under the circumstances. The results of the
  investigation will be communicated in writing to the complainant and the alleged
  harasser simultaneously.

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- Supervisory personnel must be alert to evidence of possible ongoing harassing conduct and report such incidents to the Executive Director, Diversity and Equity, Affirmative Action/Title IX.
- An individual need not personally have been the target of an instance of offensive or harassing conduct in order to report a complaint based on that conduct.
- Any individual who is found after appropriate investigation to have engaged in conduct prohibited by this policy will be subject to disciplinary or corrective action the College considers appropriate under the circumstances, up to and including termination of employment or dismissal from the College's academic program. No individual will be subject to retaliation, intimidation or discipline as a result of making a good faith complaint of harassment or providing information in connection with another's complaint. The College considers retaliation to be a serious violation of this policy and urges all individuals to report any incidents of retaliation immediately, in the same manner as any act of harassment. The College will investigate and resolve reports of retaliation in the same manner as any act of harassment (See policy 7004 Conscientious Employee Protection).
- If, after investigation of a complaint of harassment, it is determined that either the complainant, or any other person providing information during the investigation, intentionally and knowingly provided false information regarding the complaint, such individual will also be subject to disciplinary or corrective action the College considers appropriate under the circumstances, up to and including termination of employment or dismissal from the College's academic program (See policy 7065 Employee Conduct and Rules).
- If the validity of the complaint cannot be determined, immediate and appropriate action will be taken to assure that all parties are reacquainted with the policy.
- After the close of the investigation and after any remedial actions have been taken, the Executive Director, Diversity and Equity, Affirmative Action/Title IX will follow up at least twice with the complainant to ensure that no harassment or retaliation is occurring or to prevent the recurrence of harassment.

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• Any criminal assault or battery, sexual or otherwise, will be reported to the appropriate authorities.

The Complaint Form may be found on the College website or in the Office of Diversity and Equity located in the College Center.

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President's Authorization:

#### References:

Rowan College at Gloucester County *Board of Trustees Policy Manual*, 7003 Harassment and Discrimination; 7004 Conscientious Employee Protection; 7005 Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity; 7007 Sexual Misconduct; 7065 Employee Conduct and Rules

Rowan College at Gloucester County *Administrative Procedure*, 7005 Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity

Administrative Procedure: 7003 Harassment and Discrimination

# **MINORS ON CAMPUS**



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Administrative Procedure: 2002
Minors on Campus

#### Purpose

These procedures are provided to ensure that minors (individuals under 18 years of age) while on campus, participating in College programs, when interacting with College staff or as visitors, are safe and protected from abuse.

The College is concerned for those who are potentially vulnerable, especially minors on campus, who require special attention and protection.

#### The Law

Under New Jersey law, persons who in good faith make a report of child abuse shall not be discharged from employment and will have immunity from any liability, civil or criminal, that might otherwise be incurred or imposed. Also see Policy 7004 Conscientious Employee Protection.

"If you see something, say something." It is the law as well as a moral obligation.

Any person who knowingly fails to report suspected abuse or neglect has violated the law.

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#### **Special Approvals**

Minors who have been approved by the Vice President of Academic Services to take courses will be:

- interviewed by a College advisor;
- registered in person;
- authorized by the parent or legal guardian to attend; and
- approved by their high school counselor.

Minors under 15 years of age, in addition to the above, must be evaluated by the College's Admissions Office to determine the student's readiness and to address specific safety concerns.

#### Minors on Campus who are <u>not</u> College Students

While the College recognizes the need to assist members of its community with balancing family and educational or work commitments, the responsibility for ensuring the safety of all persons on campus falls to the Board of Trustees.

- Minors who are not students must at all times be under the direct supervision of a parent or legal guardian.
- Minors who are not students are not allowed in areas where their presence is
  disruptive or where health, safety, and liability risks are identified; e.g. testing
  centers, the library, student computer laboratories, scientific and technical
  laboratories, the fitness center, areas that contain hazardous chemicals, machinery
  or equipment, etc.
- No one may use the College campus or its facilities as an alternative to childcare for preschool minors or minors who are not College students.
- College staff are directed to call campus security in the event minors who are not college students are left unattended.

If bringing a minor to campus, either by a student or staff member, is an unforeseen emergency, supervisors or instructors may grant an exception. This exception may only be considered if the minor does not exhibit symptoms of a potentially contagious illness and is not disruptive in any manner. An exception, if granted, may be revoked at any time.

These provisions do not affect the attendance of supervised minors at any event or program on campus that is open to the general public.

#### **Administration of Medications**

The administration of medications to minors on campus and/or participation in College activities or programs is the sole responsibility of the minor's parent(s) or guardian(s).

#### **Background Checks**

Employees, volunteers and other designated individuals who are responsible for the supervision of minors or whose duties would require close contact with minors must undergo a criminal background check and sex offender registry check prior to employment, volunteering or participation in those duties. See policy, 7052 Background Checks and Self-Disclosure of Criminal Convictions and its implementing administrative procedure.

Based on the nature of the service provided or duties performed, an annual background check may be required.

If the results of an individual's criminal background check or sex offender registry check include a sexually based offense or crime involving a minor, then the individual may not be permitted to serve in a role or program involving minors. If the results of an individual's background check include any other crime or offense, then the supervisor responsible for the department or program must consult with the Human Resources Office to determine if such crime or offense will prevent serving in the intended capacity.

In the event of extenuating circumstances, such as the need for numerous volunteers with short lead time, an alternative to background checks may be allowed. The alternative method utilizes a background check completed by another organization; e.g., criminal background clearance performed within the year by a local school, hospital etc. The alternative method may only be utilized for volunteers, temporary or seasonal extra help, or student workers, and may only be considered for occasional events of limited duration. However, a background check may not be waived for individuals in programs where the direct interaction with minors is required.

#### **Reporting Abuse**

Every member of the College community has an obligation to immediately report instances or suspected instances of the abuse of or inappropriate interactions with minors.

Any allegation of inappropriate conduct or suspicion of child abuse must be reported. While there are several agencies and methods for reporting, the College also offers the services of a liaison, the Executive Director, Diversity & Equity, Affirmative Action/Title IX, located in the College Center, telephone number (856) 415-2154. If the minor is in immediate danger, call 911. A concerned caller does not need proof to report an allegation of child abuse and can make the report anonymously.

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Reports can also be made to the appropriate department head and, under New Jersey law, to Division of Child Protection and Permanency at 1-877 NJ ABUSE (1-877-652-2873).

Any person who knowingly fails to report suspected child abuse or neglect according to the law is guilty of a crime.

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General Administration

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References:

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# **SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

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Administrative Procedure: 7041 Substance Abuse

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**REVISE** 

Administrative Procedure: 7041 **Substance Abuse** 

The unlawful possession, and use or distribution of a controlled substance and alcohol by employees and students on the College's property or as part of the College sactivities are strictly prohibited.

State law prohibits the sale, possession and consumption of alcohol by individuals under 21 years of age. The College complies with law enforcement authorities in addressing underage drinking.

The College's commitment to the well-being and safety of all its employees, students and visitors as well as the College's obligations under various federal, state and local laws including the Drug-Free Workplace Act require publication of its policy on substance abuse; the availability of employee treatment services, student counseling and community resources; and the imposition of sanctions for violations of standards of conduct.

## Publication of Substance Abuse Police

Each employee is required to read and sign off on the College's Substance Abuse policy as part of his/her hiring orientation.

Faculty Handbooks are published annually which include standards of conduct, the Board's policy on Substance Abuse and related policies. An email is sent annually to all personnel that include instructions on how to access the College's policies and procedures. The Substance Abuse Policy is specifically referenced in the email.

The College's policies and administrative procedures are posted on the College website and are included in the annual College catalog.

Substance Abuse Prevention Program brochures are published and distributed to all employees and students. This brochure recites the Substance Abuse policy, describes legal sanctions and

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Drug and alcohol awareness workshops are held on campus for all to attend.

#### Availability of Employee and Student Counseling and Treatment Services

Early recognition and treatment of drug or alcohol abuse are important for successful rehabilitation and for personal, family and social interactions.

Employees are encouraged to seek help for problems related to substance abuse. The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) provides confidential counseling services, free of charge, for direct assistance and confidential referral services for employees seeking help with a substance abuse problem.

Students are also encouraged to seek help for problems related to substance abuse through the Center for Counseling and Wellness Services (CWS). Employees and students may also refer to the College's Substance Abuse Prevention Program brochure for an extensive list of additional College and community resources as well as the following online resources.

- <a href="http://www.drugabuse.gov/drugs-abuse/commonly-abused-drugs/health-effects">http://www.drugabuse.gov/drugs-abuse/commonly-abused-drugs/health-effects</a>
- http://www.webmd.com/mental-nealth/alcohol-abuse/features/12-health-risks-of-chronic-heavy-drinking

#### **Enforcement and Violations**

The College takes seriously its responsibility to educate its employees and students regarding the implications of substance abuse. However, while the College recognizes that drug dependency and alcoholism are illnesses and will provide channels of referrals for help, it is the employee's or student's responsibility to seek help.

If an employee is found to be in the possession of or under the influence of drugs or alcohol, disciplinary action will be taken in accordance with Policy 7065 Employee Conduct and Work Rules.

It is the employee's responsibility to inform his/her supervisor if they are unable to fulfill their current job responsibilities due to taking legally prescribed and/or over the counter medications. An employee who fails to disclose this information and whose job performance, safety or the efficient operation of work is negatively affected will be disciplined according to Policy 7065 Employee Conduct and Work Rules.

Uses of alcohol and drug abuse are linked to risk factors associated with incidents of sexual assault, domestic violence and dating violence. Victims and witnesses are encouraged to report

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Page 3 of 3 2017\_06\_06 88 and cooperate with investigations of sexual assault, domestic violence and dating violence, 89 including incidents where there is an implication of alcohol or drug use. 90 91 Students found to be in possession of or under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be subject to 92 disciplinary action in accordance with Policy 8106 Student Code of Conduct and Procedural 93 Standards. 94 95 96 97 98 99 Area: **Human Resources** 100 Approved: 6/10/14 101 Revised: **TBD** 102 103 104 105 President's Authorization: 106 107 References: Rowan College at Gloucester County Boar Confluctees Policy Manual, 7041 Substance Abuse, 7065 Employee Conduct and Work Rules and 8106 Student Code of Conduct and 108 109 110 Procedural Standards. 111

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#### HOW TO OBTAIN A RESTRAINING ORDER IN NEW JERSEY

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Under the Domestic Violence Act, a restraining order may be obtained by a victim of domestic violence committed by a spouse, former spouse, a present or former household member, someone with whom they have had or are expecting a child, or someone with whom they have had a dating relationship. Only an adult or an emancipated minor may obtain a restraining order.

There are 14 criminal offenses that qualify as grounds to obtain a restraining order under the law, including, assault, terroristic threats, kidnapping, criminal restraint, false imprisonment, sexual assault, lewdness, criminal trespass, harassment, or stalking. The New Jersey State Police website has an overview of the eligibility requirements for a restraining order at:

http://www.njsp.org/division/operations/domestic-violence-info.shtml

#### THE PROCESS

A plaintiff who wishes to obtain a restraining order should contact the family division of the Superior Court in their county on Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. On weekends, holidays, and weekdays after 3:30 p.m. When the Superior Court is closed, the plaintiff may file a complaint at their local police department. The NJ Administrative Office of the Courts Family Practice Division has posted a guide online detailing the procedure for obtaining a restraining order at <a href="https://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/prose/11253\_dv\_act.pdf">https://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/prose/11253\_dv\_act.pdf</a>

Additionally, New Jersey residents may call the Statewide Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-572-SAFE (1-800-572-7233) with questions about the restraining order process and other resources for domestic violence victims.

#### ON RCGC CAMPUS

If you wish to obtain a restraining order you may speak to a Security Supervisor. He or she will direct you to the Sheriff's Officer on campus or the Deptford Police Department. Security Officers cannot initiate or process restraining orders.

## **Emergency Procedures Quick Reference**

#### **APPENDIX H**

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#### **RCGC Security**

- Use an Emergency phone or Dial extension 4444 from any campus phone
- Dial direct 856-681-6287
- Call Emergency 9-1-1
- Follow directions given over the Public Address system



#### **Building Evacuation**

- Exit the building during a fire alarm
- Take personal belongings
- Evacuate using the nearest unobstructed exit
- Close doors behind you
- · Do not use elevators
- · Move 300 feet away from building
- Do not re-enter building until authorized by emergency personnel

#### Persons with disabilities on upper floors:

• Move to stair tower. Call Security or 9-1-1 and identify location

#### Fire

- Activate the nearest Fire Pull Station
- Call Security
- Inform others
- · Follow building evacuation guidelines

#### Suspicious Object/Package

- Do not touch or disturb the object or package
- Move to a safe distance, then call Security
- If possible, keep others away from object
- Prepare to evacuate

#### To Report a Suspicious Person/Crime

- Call Security or use any Emergency Phone
- If you witness a crime call Police and Security immediately
- Do not ignore the behavior or delay the call
- Be attentive; identify everything known about the situation
- Do not hang up until told to by call taker
- Take only actions necessary for self defense
- If safe, stay where you are until help arrives

#### **Active Shooter**

- If possible, exit the building to a safe area
- Call 9-1-1, then Security

#### If you cannot exit the building:

- Go to the nearest lockable room
- Close door, lock or block door, stay out of sight
- Turn off lights and silence cellphones

#### **Disruptive/Violent Behavior**

- Call 9-1-1 first, then Security
- Stay calm
- Do not confront the person or block their exit
- Leave if danger is imminent

#### **Severe Weather**

- If possible, move to lowest level hallways or take cover under desk
- If safe to do so, secure vital equipment and files
- Shut off electronic equipment
- Stay away from windows
- Call Security to report injuries or damage

#### **Medical Emergencies**

- Call 9-1-1, then Security
- If properly trained, provide first aid
- · Assure the injured person help is on the way
- Do not attempt to move an injured person unless necessary to prevent further injury

#### **Crisis Intervention (Person in Emotional Crisis)**

- Contact the Center for Counseling and Wellness Services at 856-464-5236 or Security at 856-681-6287
- For non-emergencies, escort the student to the College Center, Counseling and Wellness Services in room 206
- If the student refuses and there is a safety concern, contact Security or 9-1-1

#### Sexual Assault — (Report to Title IX Officer)

- · Victims of sexual assault: Get to a safe place
- All sexual assaults are crimes you should call Security and Police. Seek medical attention whether you make a report or not
- Before police arrive, do not shower, drink, eat or change clothes.
   If you are there to help, provide reassurance but refrain from touching the victim before emergency personnel arrive (see reverse side for Reporting Allegations of Sexual Assault and Resource Referrals)

#### **Power Outage**

- Call Security
- Move cautiously to lighted area

#### If people are trapped in elevator:

- Call Security, stay calm, use emergency phone
- Do not attempt to exit elevator without assistance from emergency services

#### **Chemical Hazards**

- Call 9-1-1
- Do not touch substance or inhale fumes
- Move to a clear area and keep others away
- Isolate contaminated persons

## If you or someone else contacts a suspicious chemical/substance:

• Remove contaminated clothing and seek medical attention

#### **Gas Leaks**

- Evacuate the area
- Call 9-1-
- Do not touch the fire alarm, light switches or electrical equipment

#### For Emergency Announcements:

#### RCGC.edu

Call 856-468-5000

Tune to KYW-TV News (CBS 3) or KYW-News Radio 1060 AM

#### For Emergencies call 9-1-1

Facilities/Maintenance Problems: (Heat, A/C, plumbing, etc.) Call 856-415-2201 or ext. 6370 or 2231. After 4:30 pm or weekends call Security at 856-681-6287.



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# VARIOUS IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR MEMBERS OF THE OFFICE OF SAFETY AND SECURITY INCLUDES:

CPR/AED/First Aid Commitment to Safety

Violence in the Workplace Bloodborne Pathogen Awareness

Emergency Planning Fire Extinguisher Use

Respect in the Workplace Sexual Harassment Awareness

Slips, Trips and Falls Active Shooter

Ear Protection Supervisor Training

Security Officer Basic Training Ethics

Minors on Campus Dealing with Sexual Assaults

Radio Guidelines and Procedures Crisis Intervention Training

Field Training Program Incident Command System-100

Stormwater Management Safety Programs

## **APPENDIX J**

# **Emergency Evacuation Log**

ACTIVITY	DATE TIME	LOCATION	A=ANNOUNCED	
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Fire Drill – Evacuation	9/28/2016 1:50pm	ACT Bui	lding A	
Fire Drill—Evacuation	10/5/2016 7:30am	College	Center U	
Fire Drill – Evacuation	12/14/2016 9:54an	n ACT Bui	lding A	



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