

Safety on Campus

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Police Department



UMass Amherst Police Department



Professional law enforcement

- Equivalent to municipal departments
 - *training, structure, operations*
- Authority for UMass Amherst campus
 - *mutual aid: Amherst, Hadley, Belchertown*
- 62 sworn officers, 30 student cadets, plus support staff
- In service 24/7, 365 days a year

Specialized Units

- Patrols:
 - Bicycles
 - Motorcycles
 - Horses
- Detective Bureau
- K-9 Unit
- Cadet Program
- Prevention:
 - Community Outreach
 - Rape Aggression Defense (RAD)



Statistics



- Volume
 - 30,000+ calls annually
 - *also respond to medical, fire calls*
- Response
 - average time < 3 minutes
- Staffing
 - minimum 1 sergeant, 4 officers per shift during session

Working Together

■ Our relationships support our mission

- State, federal law enforcement
- Area police, fire
- Courts
- Campus departments
 - *Dean of Students, University Health Services, Residence Life, more*



Police Cadet Program



■ Cadets:

- are students
 - *law enforcement careers*
- supplement security
 - *residence halls*
 - *special events, more*
 - *foot patrol = more accessible*

■ Join us!

- students: call for info

Residence Hall Security Program

- Evening security at all 45 residence halls
 - Collaborative: program manager, UMPD, Residence Life
- Student staff
 - register valid guests; screen restricted ones
 - provide walking patrols, escorts
 - monitor lobbies
 - verify residency
 - assist UMPD as needed
- Help wanted!
 - major campus employer
 - students: call for info



Entrance Security

- Residence hall doors locked 24/7
 - students, staff, authorized others unlock with swipe card
- Exterior doors electronically monitored
 - alarms activate if doors propped, forced open or tampered with
- Local alarms on auxiliary doors
- Delayed egress door hardware at select locations



Serving Our Community

- Security amenities:
 - Over 671 security cameras
 - HELP phones at entrances
 - card access to residence halls
 - alarm systems



- guest registration
- walking escorts
- Residence Hall Student Security program
- regular rounds by UMPD

Like it, Lock it, Keep it!

- 37 rooms reported larcenies.
- 78% were unlocked, 22% were believed to have been locked.
- 19 laptops were taken from residence hall rooms.



Student Safety

Safety is everyone's responsibility

- Always keep room door locked
- Don't let strangers into residence hall
- Activate residence hall voicemail
- Keep bike locked
- Register bike with UMPD
 - *call 545-2121 for appointment*
- Walk with friends at night or call escort
- Add **ICE** to cell phone
 - *helps others identify who to call*
In Case of Emergency



Student Safety

- Social networking
 - Facebook, Twitter, others
 - Online communities with benefits, risks of real-world ones
 - Posts can have consequences
 - internships, employment
- Remember:



Don't post anything you wouldn't put on a highway billboard!

Pedestrian Safety

Pedestrians:

- Walk on the sidewalk!
- Walk facing traffic if no sidewalks
- Make eye contact with drivers
- Look again before walking past stopped vehicles.

Drivers:

- Observe speed limits
- Yield to walkers
- Be aware of other drivers yielding



Safety on Campus

Be aware of your surroundings. If a situation doesn't feel safe, don't enter it. Take a friend when you travel around campus.

Trust your instincts. If you see something that appears suspicious, call the police and remove yourself from the situation as soon as possible.

Be careful around campus at night. Walk in well-lit areas, and never walk alone. Make sure that if you have to walk alone, you are free from such distractions as cell phones or headphones.

Always:

- Park in well-lit areas of parking lots

- Park as close to your destination as possible

- Walk quickly to and from your car

- Don't walk alone from parking lots at night

- Lock your car doors when you enter

- Exercise outdoors during daylight hours and with a partner if possible

- Plan ahead – visit the ATM during the day

Safety

Most UMass Students Don't Drink & Drive, Are You One of Them?

- 95% of UMass students disapprove of driving after drinking
- 54% of UMass students have been a designated driver in the past 3 months
- 72% of UMass students have used a sober driver in the past 3 months
- When UMass students socialize on weekends, 66% do something fun without alcohol



Signs and Symptoms of Alcohol Poisoning

- Mental confusion/stupor
- Unconscious (person cannot be woken)
- Excessive vomiting
- Seizures
- Slow or irregular breathing
- Clammy skin
- Change in skin color/tone

Good Samaritan Protocol

Severe intoxication or serious injuries after consuming alcohol or drugs are potentially life-threatening emergencies. Although individuals may be reluctant to report these situations, obtaining medical help is imperative. An individual who requires medical attention due to excessive alcohol or drug intoxication does not face judicial consequences.

IT'S THE LAW 101:

PUBLIC URINATION -

Pee in public & you can be charged with indecent exposure.

MINOR IN POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL - Under 21, you can be arrested, jailed, fined & more.

UNDERAGE DRIVER TRANSPORTING

ALCOHOL - Under 21 & driving a vehicle carrying alcohol means you can lose your license & be fined.



STATE LAWS

OUI - If you're arrested for operating under the influence, your license will be suspended. A conviction means losing your license, big fines & higher insurance rates.

PROVIDING TO MINORS - Selling or providing alcohol to someone under 21 can result in criminal charges.

FAILURE TO DISPERSE - If police order you to leave, do it immediately or you can be arrested.

Amherst/Hadley Town By-laws

IT'S THE LAW 102: TOWN BYLAWS

NOISE – Excessive noise that disturbs others is illegal. This includes loud music & yelling.

OPEN CONTAINERS – It's illegal to have an open container of alcohol on public property.



KEGS – It's illegal to have a keg without a permit. Get these through your local police department.

NUISANCE HOUSE – Throwing a rowdy off-campus party can cost you your housing, cash & more.

FIRE SAFETY – Tampering with smoke detectors or alarms is unsafe & illegal.

Our Neighbor, Amherst

As UMass students, you are also residents of the town of Amherst. Please keep this in mind as you walk through town and the neighborhoods that border campus. Be respectful of private residences and refrain from being overly noisy or cutting through yards, particularly late at night.



81% of UMass students believe alcohol related violence should result in harsher punishment.



Based on a 2010 survey of UMass students

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74% of UMass students are in support of police breaking up out of control parties.



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Emergency Communications



**CAMPUS
ALERTS**

**EMERGENCY TEXT
MESSAGING**

Information about campus emergencies
sent straight to your cell phone.

Contact Us

- Online at:
www.umass.edu/umpd
- Community Outreach Officer
(413) 545-9593 Ext. 2
pspmail@admin.umass.edu
- Interested in working for Residence Hall Security?
Email:
studentsecurity@admin.umass.edu



You Are Here at UMass For Four Years...

**Have fun and be
safe!!**

