Dear Campus Community Member,

Maintaining a safe and secure campus is critical for a supportive living and learning environment. Reporting criminal activity assists the University of Massachusetts Police Department (UMPD) in their efforts to address campus crime and allows for accurate reporting and collection of crime statistics to promote awareness and safety.

The Clery Act is a federal law requiring colleges and universities to report campus crime data, support victims of violence, and publicly outline the policies and procedures they have put into place to improve campus safety. Compliance with the Clery Act is the responsibility of the entire campus and the University.

The Clery Act also identifies those who have increased compliance responsibility. According to the federal law, a Campus Security Authority (CSA) is a member of the campus community, “who has significant responsibility for student and campus activities, including, but not limited to, student housing, student discipline, and campus judicial proceedings.” Note that being identified as a CSA is separate from being identified as a “responsible employee” under the Title IX federal law. Some members of the campus community are both a CSA and a responsible employee.

Under the Clery Act, you have been identified as a CSA and are required by law to complete an online training session. The training will take approximately 40 minutes. Additional information about the role of a CSA and the required online training is on the UMPD website. Please note training must be completed by April 28, 2017.

If you have any questions about your responsibilities or the training, contact the University of Massachusetts Police Department, Community Outreach Unit at (413) 545-3543 and press 1 for Campus Security Authority Online Training. Thank you for your support with this important initiative.

Sincerely,
Chancellor Kumble Subbaswamy