2014 ANNUAL CAMPUS SECURITY and FIRE SAFETY REPORT


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Chapter 1 – Overview;

Mitchell College Mission Statement
Mitchell College is a national leader in learning engagement within a student-centered community that maximizes each student’s ability to succeed.

Overview
The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1990 (34CFR668.46), also known as the "Clery Act," is a federal law that requires colleges and universities to disclose information about crime on and around their campuses. The act is named in memory of Jeanne Clery, a 19-year old Lehigh University freshman who was assaulted and murdered in her residence hall on April 5, 1986. The Annual Security Report is published to fulfill the requirements of this act. The complete Mitchell College Clery Act/Student’s Right to Know Policy is contained in Appendix I on Page 26 of this document.

Mitchell College's annual security report presents campus safety information as well as College policies concerning alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, and the reporting of crimes. This report includes statistics for the three years from 2009 to 2011. These statistics include reported crimes that occurred on campus and on public property immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. Copies of this report are available to all students, faculty and staff on line at: www.mitchell.edu

This report is also available in hard copy format upon request at the Campus Safety Office located in the Nathan Hale building Room 105 (Telephone: 860-443-0214). Copies may also be obtained in the Human Resources office located in Mitchell Hall (Telephone: 860-701-5161). This report is available, upon request, to all students, faculty, staff members as well as the general public.

Campus Safety
The Campus Safety Department is comprised of a Director, eight (8) full-time and three (3) part-time professional campus safety officers. The Campus Safety Department provides security on our 65-acre campus 24-hours a day, seven days a week. Campus Safety Officers are trained in First Aid, CPR and AED use, and emergency management procedures. The Campus Safety Department maintains a close working relationship with the New London Police Department and the New London Fire Department. The New London Police Department will respond to assist the Campus Safety Department with incidents believed to be criminal in nature.

Community Resource Teams
In 2011 the Campus Safety Department introduced a new initiative designed to improve our service to the Mitchell College community. The Campus Safety Department has been formed into “Community Resource Teams” or CRTs. With these CRTs individual officers are assigned to specific Residence Halls. Their undertaking is to develop a rapport with the students in the residence halls so that the students feel comfortable with the officers, thereby making Campus Safety officers more approachable and providing the students with a sense of safety and wellbeing. Part of this assignment is to work closely with the RDs and RAs in their respective residence hall to help work with students on any difficulties that appear. CRT Officers will attend residence hall meetings, club meetings and other functions to connect with and better serve the students. An important facet with this program is to help find solutions for the students to solve problems without having to resort to any type of “traditional” enforcement actions such as tickets or referrals. To accomplish this goal, the Campus Safety Department works closely with the Residence Life, Health/Wellness and Student Activities staffs.
Card Access System
Access to Residence Halls, the Yarnall Center and Thames Academy are regulated by a Card Access System. In 2011 the Campus Safety Department contracted for an upgrade to the Card Access System. This upgraded system allows for reports to be generated identifying individual card use. This system has specific time/date limitations which can be programmed into each card. In addition, the system has the capability to show photographs of a card user alongside of live video feed to ensure security.

Surveillance Camera System
The Campus Safety Department maintains 25 surveillance cameras as a deterrence, and to aid in the investigation of incidents which occur on campus. Taped surveillance information can be used by Campus Safety, Residence Life, and law enforcement if necessary, in the investigation of incidents on campus.

Chapter 2 – Critical Incident Prevention Initiatives:
The Campus Safety Department has been involved in the development of a Critical Incident Response Procedure with the goal of protecting and safeguarding students, faculty, and staff during an emergency occurring on Campus. Steps undertaken to do so include the formation of an Emergency Preparedness Committee as well as all Campus Safety Officers received on-line FEMA training in the National Incident Management System (NIMS), course IS-00700.a.

Additional efforts to safeguard the campus include:

1. Person of Concern Report; When the behavior of any person on campus rises to the level where the safety of that individual or the safety of other students, faculty and staff become a concern, the Director of Campus Safety may conduct an investigation and prepare a report to document and assess the information which created the concern. The dissemination of this report will be;
   a) The original report will be secured in the office of the Director of Campus Safety, in accordance with College policy on records retention.
   b) A copy of the report will be automatically submitted to the Vice President of Student Affairs, Dean of Students and
   c) A copy of the report will be submitted to Judicial Affairs in the event disciplinary actions have been instituted.

2. New Initiative Concerning Unauthorized Subjects on Campus; an important element to maintain a safe campus is to ensure that everyone is properly dedicated to their own safety. The steps instituted to assist students in this regard will be;
   a) Basic Issues, to include, i. Propping open Residence Hall doors, ii. Allowing unknown individuals’ access to Residence Halls, and iii. Allowing delivery people access to Residence Halls
   b) Training, to include i. Training for RHDs and RAs, ii. Training/discussions with Students at Residence Hall meetings,
   c) Enforcement, which will include, i. Verbal warnings, ii. Referral to Residence Life staff members, and iii. Issuing Code of Conduct violations with repeat offenders

3. Stricter Enforcement of Narcotics Violations; it is a well-established fact that there is a direct correlation between illegal drug activity and crimes of violence. A study of serious incidents occurring on our campus during the past 2 school years indicates that many of incidents were the result of a narcotics violation. As such the Campus Safety Department will;
a) Zero tolerance for all narcotics offenses, with a referral to Judicial Affairs in each case  
b) Notify the New London Police Department in Felony situations and  
c) Notify the New London Police Department in Misdemeanor situations with repeat offenders

4. Securing Campus buildings during emergencies. The course of action to develop a Critical Incident Response Procedure will be as follows;  
a) Documenting the interior of each floor in the buildings,  
b) Determine safe room locations for each building,  
c) Determine lock-down procedures for each building,  
d) Determine evacuation routes for each classroom/building,  
e) Training program for Students, Faculty and Staff and  
f) Drills to help establish compliance with the procedures

5. Collaboration with the New London Police Department. The Campus Safety Department will continue to work with the New London Police with regards to;  
a) Criminal activity on Campus,  
b) Unauthorized subjects on campus  
c) No trespass forms  
d) Combined training of staff and Police personnel

Escort Service  
The Campus Safety Department provides escorts, available on request, to students, faculty and staff. These escorts are provided to ensure the safety of everyone on the Mitchell College campus as well as to assist those individuals with disabilities or injuries. These services are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Chapter 3 – Fire Safety Report;  
At Mitchell College the Campus Safety Department is entrusted with maintaining fire safety practices on campus. The Campus Safety Department also provides relevant training and support for the Residence Life Staff. Fire drills are conducted every semester in each of the 9 campus residence halls. The New London Fire Department provides additional support and training to Mitchell College personnel. Scheduled inspections of campus buildings and residence halls are carried out by the Fire Marshal’s office. In addition to their standard duties the New London Fire Department provides fire prevention education for students on campus. The New London Fire Department also organizes a fire prevention booth at the annual Halloween festival at Mitchell.

All buildings on the Mitchell College campus were inspected and determined to be in full compliance with the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code. Annual inspections and tests are conducted on all sprinkler systems, fire alarms and fire extinguishers on campus. Additionally, any event on campus which would include a bonfire must adhere to a specific procedure. Applications for any bonfire are first submitted to the Fire Marshall’s office in New London. During the event where a bonfire is set alight, Campus Safety Officers are assigned to be present throughout the duration of that event.

Fire Evacuation Procedures  
Campus Safety Officers are trained and committed to assisting with fire evacuation procedures in the event of an actual fire. These measures include:
1. Immediately activating the building fire alarm system which will automatically notify the New London Fire Department.

2. Assisting persons out of the building - advising occupants of the nature of the emergency in the process, and directing them to pre-determined assembly points.

3. Assisting visitors during alarms/emergency situations. (Visitors may not be aware of exits/alternative exits and the procedures that should be taken during alarm situations).

4. Closing doors as they evacuate to limit the potential spread of fire.

5. **(In Residence Halls)** Hall staff will assemble students in their assigned Meeting points during the evacuation. These meeting points have been identified and discussed during orientation and drills, and are included in the College’s comprehensive emergency management plan. As residence halls have multiple emergency exits, hall staff have directed residents to use them all to expedite evacuation.

6. **(In Academic and Administration buildings)** Faculty and staff will assemble students/building occupants in their assigned Meeting points. These meeting points have been identified and discussed during orientation and drills, and are included in the College’s comprehensive emergency management plan.

7. Upon exiting the buildings and proceeding to the assembly points, evacuees will have been instructed to keep driveways and fire lanes clear, as Fire Department personnel will need access to these areas.

8. The following information has been provided to students, faculty, and staff in the event they are unable to exit the building:
   a) Remain calm; do not panic
   b) If there is smoke in the room, keep low to the floor; crawl if necessary
   c) Place a cloth, wet if possible, over your mouth to serve as a filter
   d) Before passing through any doors, feel the metal door-knob and the door. If it is hot, do not open the door. Attempt an alternative exit.
   e) Open the windows from the top, if possible (to let out the smoke and the heat) and from the bottom (to let in fresh air).
   f) If you cannot exit out of the window, signal for help from a window. Hang something out of the window to attract the attention of the Fire Department, such as a pillowcase or shirt.
   g) If you can open the door (if it is not hot to the touch), brace yourself against the door and open it slowly in order to make sure there is no heat or heavy smoke on the other side. If there is, then close it again.
   h) If you are able to leave the room through the door, close it as you exit.
   i) Go to the nearest exit or stairs. If the nearest exit is blocked by fire, heat or smoke, go the alternate exit.
   j) If all exits on the floor are blocked, go back to your room/office, close the door, open the windows as described, wave something out the window and shout for help.
Fire Drill Schedules
Fire evacuation routes are reviewed by residence hall staff with residents at floor/house meetings. Fire safety equipment is installed in each hall & fire drills are conducted every semester. Below is a description of fire suppression devices for each residence hall, it compliance to local fire codes, and dates on which fire drills were conducted;

1. Thames Academy is located at 15 Gardner Drive and is protected by a full coverage fire alarm system with a full coverage automatic dry-pipe sprinkler system. This facility was inspected and determined to be in full compliance with the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code. Fire Drills were conducted at this facility on the following dates: 04/11/13, 05/06/13, 10/09/13

2. Fair Haven Residence Hall is located at 373 Pequot Avenue and is protected by a full coverage fire alarm system with a full coverage automatic dry-pipe sprinkler system. This facility was inspected and determined to be in full compliance with the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code. Fire Drills were conducted at this facility on the following dates: 04/11/13, 05/02/13, 10/09/13

3. Harbor House Residence Hall is located at 355 Pequot Avenue and is protected by a full coverage fire alarm system with a full coverage automatic dry-pipe sprinkler system. This facility was inspected and determined to be in full compliance with the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code. Fire Drills were conducted at this facility on the following dates: 04/11/13, 05/02/13, 10/09/13

4. Moorings Residence Hall is located at 361 Pequot Avenue and is protected by a full coverage fire alarm system with a full coverage automatic dry-pipe sprinkler system. This facility was inspected and determined to be in full compliance with the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code. Fire Drills were conducted at this facility on the following dates: 04/11/13, 05/21/13, 10/09/13

5. Matteson Hall is located at 80 DeBiasi Drive and is protected by a full coverage fire alarm system. This facility was inspected and determined to be in full compliance with the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code. Fire Drills were conducted at this facility on the following dates: 04/10/13, 05/02/13, 10/09/13

6. Saunders Hall is located at 60 DeBiasi Drive and is protected by a full coverage fire alarm system. This facility was inspected and determined to be in full compliance with the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code. Fire Drills were conducted at this facility on the following dates: 04/10/13, 05/02/13, 10/09/13

7. Simpson Hall is located at 48 DeBiasi Drive and is protected by a full coverage fire alarm system. This facility was inspected and determined to be in full compliance with the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code. Fire Drills were conducted at this facility on the following dates: 04/10/13, 05/02/13, 10/09/13

8. Mariner Hall is located at 81 DeBiasi Drive and is protected by a full coverage fire alarm system with a full coverage automatic wet-pipe sprinkler system. This facility was inspected and determined to be in full compliance with the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code. Fire Drills were conducted at this facility on the following dates: 04/10/13, 05/02/13, 10/09/13

9. Montauk House Apartments are located at 715 Montauk Avenue and is protected by a full coverage fire alarm system. This facility was inspected and determined to be in full compliance with the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code. Fire Drills were conducted at this facility on the following dates: 04/11/13, 10/09/13
Chapter 4 – Fire Data Summary;
During calendar year 2013 there were no incidents of fire at Mitchell College.

Fires - Summary

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Chapter 5 – Contact Information;

Contacting Campus Safety
The Campus Safety Department encourages anyone who is the victim or witness of a crime to promptly report the incident to Campus Safety or to the police. All crimes occurring on campus should be reported immediately to the Campus Safety Department. If you need to call the Campus Safety Department, please provide the following information:
- Your name
- Location of the incident you are reporting
- A description of the scene and suspects
- A description of any vehicles involved in the incident, especially a license plate number

Remember, if you witness an event which you consider life threatening you should call 9-1-1. If you call 9-1-1, we would ask that you contact Campus Safety immediately afterward in the event there is a delay with the emergency response to the campus.

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<td>Campus Safety – Emergencies</td>
<td>(860) 443-0214</td>
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<td>Campus Safety - Routine Calls or Text Messages</td>
<td>(860) 941-9316</td>
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<td>Campus Safety - Anonymous Tip Line</td>
<td>(860) 629-6459</td>
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Incidents in which Campus Safety should be contacted immediately (at 860-443-0214) include:
   a) Any crime whether actual or suspected
   b) Any suspicious or unknown packages left anywhere on campus
   c) Any suspicious person observed on or near campus.
   d) Any injury whether accidental or intentional
   e) Any request for EMS Any slip and fall on campus property and
   f) Any hazard to the safety and welfare of students, e.g. fire, electrical, slippery conditions

Incidents where Campus Safety should be contacted but may not require an immediate response:
   a) Lost and Found items
   b) Student or faculty escorts
   c) Student and faculty lockouts
   d) If you have any questions or concerns regarding anything that occurs on campus, please feel free to contact Campus Safety at any time.

Rave Alert Emergency Notification System
Mitchell College has partnered with Rave Mobile Safety, for our emergency notification system. Rave Alert is capable of sending users text, voice, and email messages in the event of class cancellations or campus emergencies. Information and instructions on how to sign up for the RAVE system are posted on the Mitchell College website.

Text Messages
In order to serve the Mitchell College Community, the Campus Safety Department utilizes a Campus Safety duty cell phone as a routine telephone line. This line provides students and staff with the ability to send text messages to Campus Safety for routine or non-emergency messages. One officer on each shift carries that phone at all times while on duty. The telephone number for the Campus Safety duty phone is: (860) 941-9316.

Anonymous Reporting
The Campus Safety Department recognizes the importance of allowing individuals reporting an incident to Campus Safety to remain anonymous. For this purpose, the Mitchell College Campus Safety Department utilizes an anonymous reporting tip line. The phone number is 860-629-6459 or 6459 from any campus phone. All calls will remain confidential unless the individual states that they wish to be contacted.

Daily Crime Log
The Daily Crime Log is maintained as a component of the Clery Act requirements to document all crimes reported to the Mitchell College Campus Safety Department.
Required information in the Daily Crime Log;
   1. Nature of the crime
   2. Date and Time the crime was reported to Mitchell Campus Safety
   3. Date and Time the crime occurred
   4. General location of the crime Disposition of the complaint, if known
The Daily Crime Log details are updated daily and are maintained in the office of Campus Safety. This Log is available for public inspection at the Campus Safety office in Nathan Hale Room 105.

Crime Alerts and Timely Warnings
In the event that a situation arises, either on or off campus, that in the judgment of the Director of Campus Safety and College Administration, constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat, a campus-wide Timely Warning will be issued. Depending upon the situation, the means employed to convey the information may include any or all of the following medium;

- The RAVE instant alert system,
- Campus e-mail to students, faculty and staff,
- Written notices posted in the Residence Halls and on campus bulletin boards.

Anyone with information warranting a timely warning or campus alert should report the circumstances to the Campus Safety Department by calling 860-443-0214 or 459 from any campus phone.

**Campus Security Authorities**
Campus Security Authority (CSA) is a Clery-specific term that is comprised of individuals and organizations here at Mitchell where students can go to report criminal offenses. The Campus Security Authorities include the Campus Safety Department, as well as, “an official of an institution who has significant responsibility for student and campus activities, including but not limited to, student housing, student discipline and campus judicial proceedings.” An official is defined as, “any person who has the authority and the duty to take action or respond to particular issues on behalf of the institution.” All campus security authorities are responsible for collecting and reporting certain crimes that are reported to them by students and employees.

For a complete listing of the Mitchell College Campus Security Authorities reference Appendix VI of this document.

**Student Affairs**
Campus Safety is a division within the Student Affairs team at Mitchell College. Officers in the Campus Safety Department work closely with the Residence Life, Health/Wellness and Student Activities staffs. On the following page is a comprehensive list of Student Affairs contacts.

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**STUDENT AFFAIRS CONTACT NUMBERS**

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<td>Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students</td>
<td>Jason Ebbeling</td>
<td>(860) 701-5197</td>
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Chapter 6 – Sexual Harassment and Sexual Misconduct Information;

Mitchell College Policy contains specific language describing the College’s expectations for students, staff and faculty regarding the issues of Sexual Harassment and Sexual Misconduct.
The complete Mitchell College Sexual Misconduct and Non-Discrimination Policy is contained in Appendix II of this document, as well as on the Mitchell college web site.

**Mitchell College Policy Manual**

**Student Affairs**

**Campus Conduct and Behavior**

**PURPOSE**

These policies are established for all students, who are enrolled at Mitchell College students are bound by the policies of the College which are included but not limited to the ones listed as follows. All campus policies and procedures are subject to change at the discretion of the College.

**Sexual Harassment**

All Mitchell College community members are responsible for assuring that the institution is free of sexual harassment. Conduct of a sexual nature constitutes sexual harassment when (1) submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term/condition of an individual’s employment or academic standing, (2) submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis of employment or academic decisions affecting the individual or (3) such conduct has the purpose/effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual’s academic work performance or creating an intimidating/ offensive working/educational environment. Incidences of sexual harassment should be reported to the Dean of Students, and will be investigated fully.

**Sexual Misconduct**

The College defines sexual misconduct as actual or attempted sexual assault, rape, inappropriate sexual acts, non-consensual sexual behavior and sexual harassment. Sexual misconduct also includes non-consensual intercourse, sexual touching, exhibitionism, or sexual language of a threatening nature, committed by physical force, coercion or threat, actual or implied by a person(s) known or unknown the victim. Non-consensual activity shall include, but not be limited to, situations where the victim is unable to consent because she/he is mentally incapacitated, fearful of harm or physically helpless due to drug or alcohol consumption, or is unconscious.

Mitchell College also supports Connecticut laws and will notify local authorities of sexual misconduct (only) when the victim chooses to involve the local authorities. Victims of rape or sexual assault are strongly encouraged to seek medical and emotional assistance, and counseling resources are available at the Center for Health and Wellness. For resolution within the College’s judicial system, students are encouraged to immediately file a report with Campus Safety. Questions and concerns can be posed to the Sexual Assault Crisis Center, a 24 hour hot line, at 860-437-7766, please ask for the college counselor.

**Sexual Assault Investigation and Prevention:**

Sexual assaults continue to be an under-reported crime with many sexual assaults never reported to the police. Mitchell College and its Campus Safety Department urge anyone who is the victim of such an assault to report the incident to the police. The police will vigorously investigate all reported sexual assault cases and will work closely with victims, other law enforcement agencies, and the courts.

If you are the victim of a sexual assault:

- Whether or not you choose to report the sexual assault to the police, you should seek medical attention immediately, even if you do not feel you have been seriously injured.
- A medical exam is important to check for sexually transmitted diseases or other infection/injuries and for pregnancy.
• Medical evidence needs to be collected with 72 hours of an assault - in case you decide now or later to pursue a police complaint.
• To preserve evidence, you should not wash, bathe, douche, brush your teeth or use mouthwash, comb your hair, change your clothes, or take other action to clean up before going to the hospital.
• If you may have been given drugs to facilitate an assault ("date rape drug"), it is best to wait to urinate until you reach the hospital and a urine sample can be collected.
• If you are a sexual assault victim, the police will not reveal your name to others except as provided by law. Even court records are afforded some degree of protection. Similarly, if you choose to report your victimization to a faculty or staff member, they will not reveal your identity to the police or others without your permission. The police and staff may share some demographic data for purposes of crime statistics, but this does not include a sexual assault victim's identity.

On campus support at Mitchell to assist the victim of a sexual assault can be provided with the following referrals:
• Campus Safety (860-443-0214 or ext. 459) to file a report
• Health Services if the student needs immediate medical attention (x5195)
• Health & Wellness Counseling Services for assessment and counseling (x7787)

Victim Services
The following victim services are available to assist a victim in dealing with a sexual assault;

• Office of Victim Services (OVS) - http://www.jud.ct.gov/crimevictim/
The Office of Victim Services, Connecticut Judicial Branch, is the state’s lead agency established to provide services to victims of violent crime. OVS is located in Plainville, Connecticut and can be reached by calling:

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• CONNSACS - http://www.connsacs.org/
Connecticut Sexual Assault Crisis Services, Inc. is a statewide coalition of individual sexual assault crisis programs, which work to end sexual violence through victim assistance, community education, and public policy advocacy. It provides a statewide 24 hour, toll free Hotline. Its programs offer crisis intervention, short term counseling, and support groups and are available to work within the court setting to provide support, information, and referrals.
1-888-999-5545 (English) 1-888-568-8332 (Espanol)

• Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence - http://www.ctcadv.org/
CCADV 24 hr Hotline at 1-888-774-2900

Registered Sex Offenders:
The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act of 2000 requires institutions of higher education to issue a statement advising the campus community where law enforcement information provided by a State concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. It also requires sex offenders already required to
register in the State to provide notice of each institution of higher education in that State at which the person is employed, carries a vocation, or is a student.

The Campus Safety Department maintains a binder with information on registered sex offenders that live in close proximity to the Mitchell College campus. This binder is available for public inspection at the Campus Safety office in Nathan Hale Room 105.

In the State of Connecticut, convicted sex offenders must register with the State of Connecticut’s Department of Public Safety - Connecticut Sex Offender Registry Unit. To determine if a person is a registered sex offender, click on the following link to the State Police Sex Offender Registry: http://www.communitynotification.com/cap_office_disclaimer.php?office=54567

Chapter 7 – Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) (Campus SaVE Act),

The United States Congress, recognizing the severity of the crimes associated with domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, passed the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (VAWA) as part of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994. VAWA is described as “a comprehensive legislative package designed to end violence against women.” VAWA has since been reauthorized in 2000, 2005 and 2013. The intention of VAWA was to improve responses by the criminal justice system to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking and to increase the availability of services for victims of these crimes.

The United States Department of Justice’s Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) was created specifically to implement (VAWA) and subsequent legislation. The VAWA 2000 reauthorization strengthened the original law by improving protections for battered immigrants, sexual assault survivors, and victims of dating violence. In addition, it improved the enforcement of protection orders across state and tribal lines. The VAWA reauthorization in 2005 continued to improve the law by, (in OVW’s description), “providing an increased focus on the access to services for underserved populations.”

On March 7, 2013, President Obama signed a bill that strengthened and reauthorized the Violence Against Women Act. Included in the bill was the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act (Campus SaVE), which amends the Jeanne Clery Act and affords additional rights to campus victims of sexual violence, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking.

Beginning in 2014, every College and University participating in Title IV financial aid programs will be required to; 1. Compile statistics of incidents of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking that occur within Clery geography and are reported to campus security authorities and 2. Include within its Annual Security Report a statement of policy regarding procedures, explanations, educational programs and services afforded to the victims of such crimes.

Below are the definitions of those crimes related with VAWA as described by the US Department of Justice OVW;

What is Domestic Violence? Domestic violence can be defined as a pattern of abusive behavior that is used by an intimate partner to gain or maintain power and control over the other intimate partner. Domestic violence can be physical, sexual, emotional, economic, or psychological actions or threats of actions that influence another person. This includes any behaviors that intimidate, manipulate, humiliate, isolate, frighten, terrorize, coerce, threaten, blame, hurt, injure, or wound someone.
What is Sexual Assault? Sexual assault can be defined as any type of sexual contact or behavior that occurs by force or without consent of the recipient of the unwanted sexual activity. Falling under the definition of sexual assault is sexual activity such as forced sexual intercourse, sodomy, child molestation, incest, fondling, and attempted rape. It includes sexual acts against people who are unable to consent either due to age or lack of capacity.

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

What is Stalking? Stalking can be defined as a pattern of repeated and unwanted attention, harassment, contact, or any other course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to feel fear.

Chapter 8 – Information regarding Alcohol, Illicit Drugs and Weapons;

Alcoholic Beverages:
Mitchell College complies with Federal Alcohol Laws and Connecticut State Law on campus grounds, including Mitchell Woods, Mitchell Beach, the dock and all other college property as they relate to alcohol consumption. Connecticut State Law defines 21 years of age as the minimum for possession and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages. The Mitchell College policies regarding Alcohol are contained in Appendix VIII on Page 61 and Appendix X on Page 67 of this document, as well as on the Mitchell college web site.

Illicit Drugs/Narcotics:
It is unlawful, to possess, manufacture, dispense or sell a controlled substance/ illicit drug except as expressly authorized within law. Students violating this policy are subject to disciplinary action and may be subject to the local legal system. Mitchell College expects that students will not choose to use illegal substances, on or off campus, during their enrollment as a Mitchell student. The odor of marijuana smoke may be considered enough evidence, when identified by a Campus Safety Officer and/ or a Residence Hall Staff member, to subject a student to disciplinary action as an illegal substance violation. For students with drug addictions, the Center for Health and Wellness serves as a resource to assist the student in receiving the appropriate assistance for recovery. The Center of Health and Wellness provides assistance to students who are considering treatment for substance dependence or addiction. Any student or employee of Mitchell College who violates federal, state, or local laws, may be prosecuted by the federal, state or local authorities, and may be sentenced in accordance with the laws of those jurisdictions. Mitchell College does not protect individuals from legal consequences of violations. Any student in violation of the College’s drug policy shall be subject to sanctions in accordance the Mitchell College judicial system and will be subject to disciplinary action by the College which may include expulsion. The Mitchell College policies regarding Illicit Drugs are contained in Appendix IX on Page 64 and Appendix X on Page 67 of this document, as well as on the Mitchell college web site.

Weapons:
Residents are not permitted to bring ANY type of weapon into the residence halls. This includes, but is not limited to guns, “BB” rifle/gun, air soft or pellet gun paraphernalia, martial arts implements, knives and bombs. Students in possession of a weapon, regardless of intent, will face disciplinary action by the College which may include expulsion. The Mitchell College policy regarding Weapons is contained in Appendix VII on Page 58 of this document, as well as on the Mitchell college web site.

Chapter 9 – Crime Statistics Definitions;

The following list contains definitions on the types of Criminal Offenses which must be recorded in the Crime Statistics Report:

**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.

**Sex Offense**
- Sex Offense – Forcible: 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.
- Sex Offense – Non-forcible unlawful, non-forcible sexual intercourse: Non-forcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law or sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

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

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

**Burglary**
The unlawful entry of a structure with the intent to commit a felony or a theft. For reporting purposes this definition includes: unlawful entry with intent to commit a larceny or a felony, breaking and entering with intent to commit a larceny; housebreaking, safecracking, and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned.

**Motor Vehicle Theft**
The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle

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

**Hate Crime**
A hate crime is a criminal offense committed against persons, property or society that is motivated, in whole or in part, by an offender’s bias against an individual or a group’s perceived race, religion, ethnic/national origin, gender, age, disability or sexual orientation.
Liquor Law Violations
The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, transporting, furnishing, possessing of intoxicating liquor; maintaining unlawful drinking places, bootlegging, operating a still, furnishing liquor to minor or intemperate person, using a vehicle for illegal transportation of liquor, drinking on a train or public conveyance, all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned. (Drunkenness and driving under the influence are not included in this definition.)

Chapter 10 – Crime Statistics Report;
The statistical report for calendar years 2010, 2011, and 2012 are shown below. A hard copy of the report can also be obtained by contacting the Campus Safety Department.
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Appendix I;

Clery Act and

Student’s Right to Know Policy:
Student Handbook - Other College Policies and Procedures

The Clery Act

Mitchell College is dedicated to assisting students, staff and faculty in providing their own safety and security and is in compliance with the “Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics – 2009.” The Clery Act is a subsection of US Code Title 20 § 1092. “Institutional and financial assistance information for students,” and is found under subsection (f), titled, “Disclosure of campus security policy and campus crime statistics.” The Clery Act deals with how schools report crimes on campus and the policies in effect to protect students.

Therefore, each year Mitchell College notifies all members of the campus community that they may view the Annual Campus Security and Fire Safety Report through a link on the Campus Safety page at www.mitchell.edu. Students may obtain a hard copy of the report from the Campus Safety Office located in Nathan Hale Hall (860-443-0214 or extension 459 from a campus phone) or the Human Resources Office in Mitchell Hall (860-701-5161).

Student’s Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act

The “Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act” (P.L. 101-542), broader in scope than the Clery Act, requires schools eligible for Title IV funding to calculate completion or graduation rates and to disclose these rates to all students and prospective students. The act also requires each school that participates in any Title IV program to submit a report to the Secretary of Education annually. Section 203 of this act allows schools to disclose the outcomes of disciplinary proceedings to crime victims. Section 204 of this act has the same provisions as Clery with regards to the disclosure of campus security policy and campus crime statistics.

Thus, in accordance with requirements of the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-542) and Connecticut State Law (90-259), Mitchell College distributes, upon request, an annual security report to all enrolled students, employees, and prospective students. Copies of this report are available from the Admissions or Campus Safety Offices. The report includes the following information:

1. Campus policies regarding reporting crimes; policies regarding drugs, alcohol, and weapons; policies regarding the identification and admission of visitors to campus; description of campus safety and their relationship to local and state police; and orientation programs for students regarding campus safety;
2. A uniform campus crime report concerning crimes committed in the two preceding calendar years;
3. A crime report concerning arrest for alcohol and drug violations and for weapons possessions for the preceding calendar year; and
4. Students’ statistics on undergraduate student graduation rates.
Appendix II;

Sexual Misconduct and Non-Discrimination Policy:
I. PURPOSE

Mitchell College depends upon an educational and work environment of tolerance and respect for the achievement of its goals. The College is committed to providing an educational and work environment free from all forms of sexual misconduct and discrimination.

The purpose of this policy is to provide definitions and procedures for College employees; students should refer to the Student Code of Conduct.

This policy complies with State and Federal law, including Title IX of the Higher Education Amendment of 1972 as amended and Connecticut PA 12-78-sHB 5031.

Employment with Mitchell College is voluntarily entered into, and employees are free to resign from their position at will, at any time, with or without cause. Similarly, the College may terminate the employment relationship at will at any time, with or without notice or cause, so long as there are not violations of applicable federal, state or local laws. The procedures set forth in this policy are not intended to create a contract, nor are they to be construed to constitute contractual obligations of any kind or a contract of employment between the College and our employees. The provisions of this policy have been developed at the discretion of management and, except for its policy of employment-at-will, may be amended or cancelled at any time, at the College’s sole discretion.

These provisions supersede all existing policies and practices and may not be amended or added to without the express written approval of the President of Mitchell College.

II. DEFINITIONS

The College defines sexual misconduct as actual or attempted sexual assault, rape, inappropriate sexual acts, non-consensual sexual behavior and sexual harassment. Sexual misconduct also includes non-consensual intercourse, sexual touching, exhibitionism, or sexual language of a threatening nature, committed by physical force, coercion or threat, actual or implied by a person(s) known or unknown the victim. Non-consensual activity
includes but is not limited to situations when the victim is: (1) unable to consent because she/he is mentally incapacitated, (2) fearful of harm, and/or (3) unconscious or otherwise physically helpless due to drug or alcohol consumption.

The College defines sexual harassment as behavior that is not welcomed by the individual, is personally offensive to him/her, and undermines morale and/or interferes with the ability of the individual to work effectively. While it is not possible to list all of the circumstances that may constitute sexual harassment, the following are some examples of conduct that, if unwelcome, may constitute sexual harassment depending on the totality of the circumstances, including the severity of the conduct and its pervasiveness: Verbal abuse of a sexual nature; Use of sexually degrading words; Jokes or language of a sexual nature; Conversation or gossip with sexual overtones; Obscene or suggestive gestures or sounds; Sexually-oriented teasing; Inquiries into one's sexual experiences; Verbal comments of a sexual nature about an individual's appearance or sexual terms used to describe an individual; Discussion of one's sexual activities; Comments, jokes or threats directed at a person because of his/her sexual preference; Unwelcome and repeated invitations (for lunch, dinner, drinks, dates, sexual relations); Physical contact such as touching, hugging, kissing, stroking, fondling, patting, pinching, or repeated brushing up against another's body; Demands or requests for sexual favors accompanied by implied or overt threats concerning an individual's employment status or promises of preferential treatment; Deliberate bumping, cornering, mauling, grabbing; Assaults, molestations, or coerced sexual acts; Posting or distributing sexually suggestive objects, pictures, cartoons, or other materials; Sexually-oriented letters or notes; Sending offensive or discriminatory messages or materials through the use of electronic communications (e.g., electronic mail, including the Internet, voice mail, and facsimile) which contain overt sexual language, sexual implications or innuendo, or comments that offensively address someone's sexual orientation; Staring at parts of a person's body; Sexually suggestive gestures, leering; and condoning sexual harassment.

The College defines gender-based harassment as including acts of verbal, nonverbal or physical aggression, intimidation or hostility based on sex, or sex-stereotyping, even if those acts do not involve conduct of a sexual nature.

The College defines Quid Pro Quo harassment as a situation where one is asked to give sexual favors in exchange for employment or academic decisions or expectations related to employment or academic performance.

The College defines a hostile environment as one where unwelcomed behavior creates a disruptive, intimidating or offensive environment for a protected class.

The College defines domestic violence, or intimate partner violence, as physical or sexual harm against an individual by a current or former spouse or by a partner in a dating relationship that results from sexual assault, sexual assault in a spousal or cohabitating relationship, and domestic violence and third degree stalking.
III. THE POLICY

Mitchell College takes allegations of sexual misconduct and discrimination seriously, and will endeavor to respond promptly to complaints. Where it is determined that inappropriate conduct has occurred we will endeavor to act promptly to eliminate the conduct and impose such corrective action as is necessary, including discipline where appropriate.

All members of the Mitchell college community have the responsibility to uphold the standards of conduct set forth in the Code of Conduct. Each member of this community has the right to file a complaint when he or she believes these standards have been violated. In complaints alleging sexual assault, mediation is not an appropriate method of resolution due to the risk of re-victimization of the complainant; complainants may neither volunteer nor be required to mediate a sexual assault allegation.

This policy outlines the prompt and equitable procedures that will be applied to resolve any complaints. Appropriate sanctions may be applied when violations of the College’s community standards have been determined. Employees and students have the right to appeal a sanction imposed upon them. A summary of the conduct process is outlined under the Procedures section of this policy.

It is important to note that while this policy sets forth our goals of promoting a workplace that is free of any form of sexual misconduct or discrimination, the policy is not designed or intended to limit our authority to take disciplinary or remedial action for workplace conduct that we deem unacceptable regardless of whether that conduct satisfies the definitions of sexual misconduct or discrimination.

Sexual misconduct is a form of behavior which adversely affects the employment relationship. It is prohibited by State and Federal law, and will not be tolerated by the College. The College also condemns and prohibits sexual misconduct and discrimination by any vendor, student or member of the general public.

Sexual misconduct is not limited to prohibited behavior by a male employee toward a female employee. Sexual misconduct can occur in a variety of circumstances. Here are some things to remember:

- A man as well as a woman may be the victim of sexual misconduct or discrimination, and a woman as well as a man may be the perpetrator;
- The victim does not have to be of the opposite sex from the perpetrator;
- The victim does not have to be the person at whom the unwelcome sexual conduct is directed. The victim may be someone who is affected by the misconduct or
discrimination, if the conduct creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment for the co-worker or interferes with the co-worker’s performance.

Examples of the prohibited type of sexual harassment known as *Quid Pro Quo* (literally “this for that” in Latin) could include requesting sexual favors in exchange for:

- Improved grades, assessment of academic performance;
- More favorable work hours or schedule;
- Academic or employment recommendations;
- Improved treatment.

Examples of a hostile work or educational environment could include:

- Sharing sexual images on a computer;
- Comments about a person’s physical looks;
- Sexual talk that is unwelcome or inappropriate;
- Posting sexual images that are unwelcome or inappropriate.

It is therefore, against the policies of the College for any individual of the College, male or female, to exhibit sexual misconduct or discrimination, including making unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or other uninvited verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

- Submission to such conduct is made either implicitly or explicitly a term or condition of an employee's employment;
- Submission to, or rejection of, such conduct by an individual is made the basis for employment decisions affecting the employee;
- Such conduct has the purpose or effect of interfering with an individual's work performance;
- Retaliation is threatened or undertaken against an individual who complains that such conduct is interfering with his or her work performance; or
- A hostile or intimidating work environment is created for the employee.

**A. Individual Responsibilities for Preventing Sexual Misconduct and Discrimination**

Each individual of Mitchell College is personally responsible for:

1. Ensuring that his or her conduct does not sexually harass or discriminate against any other person with whom he or she comes in contact on the job, such as an outside vendor, student, or member of the general public;
2. Cooperating in any investigation of alleged sexual misconduct or discrimination by providing any information he or she possesses concerning the matter being investigated;
3. Actively participating in efforts to prevent and eliminate sexual misconduct and to maintain a working environment free from discrimination;
4. Ensuring that an individual who files a sexual misconduct or discrimination claim or cooperates in an investigation may do so without fear of retaliation or reprisal.

Any individual who believes he or she has been the subject of any form of sexual misconduct or discrimination may advise the individual of the offensive nature of the conduct or action being objected to or bring the alleged incident or situation to the attention of the Director of Human Resources or the Director of Campus Safety.

It is also against the policy of Mitchell College for an individual to harass any person with whom the individual comes in contact on the job or to engage in any harassment or inappropriate or unprofessional conduct in the workplace.

IV. PROCEDURE

A. Documentation of Conduct Code Violations

Violations can occur on or off the Mitchell College campus. Complaints will be addressed by the College regardless of whether they occurred on or off the physical campus.

In Connecticut, any employee could witness or receive a report of a violation. Once witnessed or received, the employee is obligated to appropriately report the complaint according to this policy. Alleged violations may be addressed and documented by Human Resources staff, the Title IX Coordinator or Title IX Investigators.

The College has designated an EEO Grievance Officer. The current EEO Grievance Officer is the Director of Human Resources. If any individual believes he or she has been subjected to sexual misconduct or discrimination, the individual (the complainant) should initiate a complaint by contacting the EEO Grievance Officer, their Supervisor or Department Head as soon as possible. The individual should file the complaint promptly following any incident of alleged sexual misconduct or discrimination. The employee should be aware that the longer the period of time between the event giving rise to the complaint and the filing, the more difficult it will be for the College to determine what occurred.

The employee will be requested to write out his or her complaint to document the charge. Should the employee be unable to write out the complaint for any reason, a record of the complaint will be documented by the EEO Grievance Officer, with the employee then approving the written account of the complaint.

Note: If an individual prefers to discuss a possible sexual misconduct or discrimination problem with his or her Supervisor or Department Head, the individual may always do so. However, individuals do not have to go through the regular chain of reporting procedures when reporting such incidents. Moreover, if the individual is uncomfortable contacting the EEO Grievance Officer because he or she believes the EEO Grievance Officer may not receive the complaint impartially, the individual may contact the Director of Campus Safety.
If the alleged violation includes potential criminal conduct, the College will determine whether appropriate law enforcement or other entities are notified. Regardless of the college’s decision, the complainant has the right to file the complaint with the appropriate law enforcement or other entities.

**B. Jurisdiction**

Alleged violations may include College employees, students and/or third parties. To clarify procedures related to resolving alleged violations:

- If the perpetrator of the alleged violation is a College student, he or she will be subject to an investigation and conduct hearing as outlined in the Student Code of Conduct.
- If the perpetrator of the alleged violation is a College employee, he or she will be subject to an investigation and determination as outlined in this policy.
- Visitors and third parties not associated by Mitchell College employment or student status may seek remedy through this policy.
- Third parties working on location may seek remedy through this policy and/or through their employer of record.

**C. Investigation of Conduct Code Violations**

Mitchell College will conduct a full and timely investigation of the complaint. In most cases, this could take up to sixty (60) days; however, due to extenuating circumstances or the complexity of the allegation, this time frame may be extended. Should an extension be deemed necessary, both parties involved in the complaint will be notified, and periodic updates on the investigation will be provided to both parties.

The Director of Human Resources or his/her designee will review all alleged violations reported to his/her office. The investigation may be conducted by the Director of Human Resources or a designee, or the Director of Campus Safety in conjunction with the Director of Human Resources. The charged employee will be requested to respond to the complaint. Additional investigation will be made to the extent appropriate in each case. If, after the completion of the investigation, it is determined that there is reasonable cause for finding a violation of this policy, the Director of Human Resources or his/her designee will notify the complainant and the charged individual of the finding.

Should law enforcement be involved, the College will conduct an investigation of the complaint independent of law enforcement. If the College must allow law enforcement to collect evidence prior to the College investigation, the College will begin fact-finding upon notification from law enforcement that they have concluded collecting evidence.

**D. Confidentiality**
Confidentiality will be maintained to the extent possible within the limitation of the law and the need to conduct a thorough investigation.

Should the complainant request that the complaint not be pursued, the College may take reasonable steps to conduct an investigation and respond to the complaint consistent with the request of the complainant. However, should the complainant request that his/her name remain confidential, or should the complainant refuse to participate in the investigation, the ability of the College to respond to the complaint may be limited.

Additionally, a request to not pursue a complaint or to maintain confidentiality of the name of the complainant will be weighed against the College’s obligation to provide an educational and work environment free from sexual misconduct and discrimination. Such factors under consideration could include:

- the severity of the alleged violation;
- the complainant’s age;
- whether there have been other complaints related to the same individual;
- the alleged perpetrator’s right to receive information regarding the allegations if the information regarding is maintained by the school as an educational record under FERPA.

The College encourages confidentiality from all parties involved with investigating and adjudicating the alleged violation.

E. Retaliation

Mitchell College prohibits retaliation against anyone who submits a complaint, investigates or participates in an investigation, refuses to participate in an investigation, or is otherwise involved with the complaint. A substantiated complaint of retaliation shall result in a proper remedy for the person harmed and the initiation of disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal from employment, against the retaliating person. This prohibition against retaliation is not intended to prevent supervisors from taking action, including disciplinary action, in the usual scope of their duties and based on valid performance-related factors and does not include immunity for any personal wrongdoing by the complainant that is substantiated.

F. Burden of Proof

The burden of proof lies with the College in any case brought before the Director of Human Resources or designate, or the conduct board. The facts must be proven to be more likely so than not to meet the burden of proof. More likely so than not means that after all of the incident reports, witness statements, and other information has been reviewed, it must be more than likely that an employee is responsible for the policy violations assessed. After all relevant information is gathered, the Director of Human Resources (or his/her designee) or the conduct board will determine whether the employee is responsible or not responsible for the alleged violation of the Code. In the event that the employee is found responsible, then an appropriate sanction(s) will be imposed.
G. Notification of Decision

Notification of decisions will follow jurisdiction procedures, and will be based on the classification of the parties involved (employee, student, third party). The Director of Human Resources or designee, will notify both parties (the accuser and the accused) of the decision in writing within ten (10) business days of determination.

Note: FERPA permits a college to disclose to the harassed student information about a sanction imposed upon a student who was found to have engaged in harassment when the sanction directly relates to the harassed student. When the conduct involves a crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense, FERPA permits the college to disclose to the alleged victim the final results of a disciplinary proceeding against the alleged perpetrator, regardless of whether the college concluded that a violation was committed. Also, the Clery Act requires that “both the accuser and the accused must be informed of the outcome of any institutional disciplinary proceeding brought alleging a sex offense” 34 CFR § 668.46 (b) (11) (ii) (B). The complainant cannot be held to a nondisclosure agreement under the Clery Act.

H. Sanctions

Employee Sanctions may be cumulative and include the following: verbal warning, written warning, final written warning, financial restitution for costs incurred during the investigation and hearing, termination of employment, and/or other sanctions as deemed appropriate by Director of Human Resources. Incomplete sanctions or sanctions in which an employee does not comply will result in further conduct sanctions or up to and including termination.

The Director of Human Resources, in consultation with the President or designee, has the right to immediately separate an employee from the college if his or her actions cause a risk and serve as a disruption to the Mitchell College campus community. An employee who has a warrant out for his or her arrest or an open court case cannot appeal a decision.

I. Appeals

Employees have the right to appeal sanctions or outcomes of an investigation. Appeals must be submitted in writing within four (4) business days of notification. The employee must state, in the request for appeal, the grounds for appeal, which include only the following:

1. Failure to follow due process
2. Availability of new evidence
3. Severity of imposed sanction(s)

Written appeals submitted within four business days of notification will be reviewed by the President or designee. The petitioner will receive notification on the status of their appeal within ten (10) business days of the conclusion of the appeals investigation.
J. Grievance:
A grievance is a formal complaint about a matter which is believed to be unfair or unjust. Students should refer to the Student Code of Conduct for procedures related to filing a grievance. Employees should contact the Director of Human Resources. Employees may also contact the Mitchell College Title IX Coordinator, Kathleen Neal, Director of Institutional Research, Assessment and Compliance, Mitchell Hall room 311, phone 860-701-5380, and email Neal_K@mitchell.edu.

All employees at Mitchell College have the right to be treated fairly according to the rules and guidelines set forth by Mitchell College. Any employee who feels she/he has been treated unfairly or unjustly is entitled to make a formal grievance.

Grievance Steps:

1. The employee should attempt to resolve the matter in an informal way by addressing the matter with the person who is being grieved. If the employee is grieving a Mitchell College policy they should attempt to resolve the matter with the department head of the department responsible for the policy. In grievances alleging sexual assault, mediation is not an appropriate method of resolution due to the risk of re-victimization of the complainant; grievers may neither volunteer nor be required to mediate a sexual assault allegation.
2. The employee may write a letter of grievance to the Director of Human Resources within fifteen (15) days of the occurrence of the matter which is being grieved unless extenuating circumstances prevent the grievant from doing so. The letter should state the item being grieved, name of grievant, name of the individual(s) or policy being grieved and what actions the grievant has already pursued to try to resolve the matter.
3. The Director of Human Resources or his/her designee will conduct an investigation into the matter being grieved and determine how best to resolve the matter. The Director of Human Resources or his/her designee is responsible for the final decision and the implementation of the decision.

K. Non-Discrimination Policy:

Mitchell College provides an educational and work environment free from prohibited discrimination, in accordance with federal, state and local laws and College policy. Discrimination by the members of the College community based on: race; color; sex; sexual orientation; gender identity, expression or characteristics; age; national origin; ancestry; citizenship status; religious belief or creed; political belief; marital status; status as a veteran, including veterans of the Vietnam era; disability, including pregnancy or any other protected criteria is not permitted.

If an employee believes that she/he has been discriminated against, she/he can make a formal grievance through the Mitchell College grievance process. Employees also have the right to file complaints of discrimination outside of the college. Complaints should be filed within 180 days of the date of the incident, unless the individual is granted extended time by the agency the
complaint is being filed with. Listed below are the local and national contact information for The Office of Civil Rights:

**Connecticut Office**
Telephone: (617) 289-0111
Email: OCR.Boston@ed.gov

**National Office**
Telephone: (800) 421-3481
Email: OCR@ed.gov

L. Disciplinary Records

The Human Resources Office will maintain letters pertaining to sanctions and investigatory outcomes in individual personnel records. Complete files related to the investigation may be retained separately in the Human Resources Office.

V. REFERENCES

A. State of Connecticut PA 12-78-sHB5031
B. U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights’ Dear Colleague letter dated April 4, 2011
C. Mitchell College Student Code of Conduct
D. Mitchell College Employee Code of Conduct

VI. APPENDICES

A. College Resources for Reporting Alleged Violations of this Policy
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**Missing Student Policy:**
Missing Student Policy

POLICY

Mitchell College takes student safety seriously. To this end, the following policy and procedures have been developed in order to assist in locating Mitchell College student(s) living in college-owned on-campus housing who, based on the facts and circumstances, known to the College are determined to be missing. This policy is in compliance with Section 488 of the Higher Education Act of 2008.

Most missing person reports in the college environment result from a student changing her routine without informing her roommates and/or friends of the change. Anyone who believes a student to be missing should report their concern to Campus Safety or Student Affairs/Residence Life. Every report will be followed up with an immediate investigation once a student has been missing for 24 hours. Depending on the circumstances presented to College officials, parents of a missing student will be notified. In the event that parental notification is necessary, the Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students will place the call.

At the beginning of each academic year, residential students will be asked to provide, on a voluntary basis, emergency contact information in the event they are reported missing while enrolled at Mitchell College. This emergency information will be kept in the Office of Student Affairs and will be updated annually. This emergency information will be kept in the Office of Student Affairs or through available through SIS.

PROCEDURE

The Mitchell College official receiving the report will contact the Student Affairs Administrator on Duty (AOD) and the Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students in order to update them on the situation and to receive additional consultation. The Campus Safety Department will initiate an investigation. The Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students will be notified in order to update them on the situation and to receive additional consultation. The Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students will ascertain if/when other members of the Cabinet and the Director of Communications need to be contacted. In addition, the person receiving the report will collect and document the following information at the time of the report:

1. The name and relationship of the person making the report;
2. The date, time and location the missing student was last seen;
3. The general routine or habits of the suspected missing student (e.g. —visiting friends who live off-campus, working a job away from campus) including any recent changes in behavior or demeanor;
4. The missing student’s cell phone number (if known by the reporter).

Upon notification that a student may be missing, Mitchell College officials may use any or all of the following resources to assist in locating the student:

1. Call or go to the student’s residence hall room;
2. Talk to the student’s RA, roommate, and floor mates to see if anyone can confirm the missing student’s whereabouts and/or confirm the date, time, and location the student was last seen;
3. Secure a current student ID (from security) or other photo of the student from a friend;
4. Call and text the student’s cell phone and call any other numbers on record;
5. Send the student an email;
6. Check all possible locations mentioned by the parties above including, but not limited to, library, residence hall lounges, student common areas, fitness center, etc. The Office of Security and the Residential Life department may be asked to assist in order to expedite the search process;
7. Contact or call any other on-campus or off-campus friends or contacts that are made known, including checking a student’s social networking sites such as MySpace, Facebook and Twitter;
8. Ascertain the student’s car make, model and license plate number. A member of Campus Safety will also check the Mitchell College parking lots for the presence of the student’s vehicle.

In addition, the Mitchell College Information Technology staff may be asked to obtain email logs in order to determine the last log-in and/or access of the Mitchell College network.

Once all information is collected and documented and the Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students (or designee) is consulted, Mitchell College staff may contact the local police to report the information. The New London Police Department may be contacted any time there is a concern for the safety and wellbeing of the missing student.
Appendix IV;

Workplace Violence Policy:
Workplace Violence Prevention Policy

PURPOSE
Acts and threats of violence in the workplace are one of the most serious and frustrating problems facing employers and employees alike. Mitchell College will endeavor to be consistent in the handling of these behavioral issues, which potentially could cause a serious problem for employees, students and the general public. Employees need to know that hostility, threats, intimidation, and assaults will not be tolerated.

THE POLICY
Mitchell College seeks to have a workplace free of violence and the threat of violence. All employees should note that THERE WILL BE ZERO TOLERANCE OF ACTS OR THREATS OF VIOLENCE IN OUR WORKPLACE BY EMPLOYEES, STUDENTS, MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC, AND/OR ANYONE WHO CONDUCTS BUSINESS WITH MITCHELL COLLEGE.

It is the intent of Mitchell College to provide a workplace which is free from physical attacks, harassment, property crimes, threats, or any other violent act(s). The College has developed the following procedures and principles with regard to violence in the workplace. It is imperative that each employee familiarizes him/herself with these policies and regulations in order to facilitate the goals of the College in this regard.

Workplace Misconduct
A. The possession of firearms, whether or not licensed, and including, but not limited to, models, replicas, or an object whose outline represents a firearm, and/or ammunition, in the workplace is grounds for discipline up to and including termination. The use of a weapon or any other dangerous instrument in a fight or disagreement with another employee or member of the general public is grounds for an immediate termination. Similarly, threatening anyone with a weapon also may be treated as grounds for immediate termination.

B. An employee who starts a fight with anyone will be subject to discipline, up to and including termination.

C. Employees who feel they are being provoked or harassed by co-workers or a member of the general public should discuss this problem with the Director of Human Resources or the Director of Campus Safety.

D. All employees are required to meet the College's standards of courtesy to students, members of the general public, co-workers, and College officials.

Prevention
The College subscribes to the concept of a safe work environment and supports the prevention of workplace violence. Prevention efforts include, but are not limited to, informing employees of this policy, instructing employees regarding the dangers of workplace violence, communicating the sanctions imposed for violating this policy, and providing a reporting system within which to report incidents of violence without fear of reprisal.
PROCEDURE
Reporting Procedures
A. It is the duty and obligation of all employees who either experience or observe any act or threat of violence in the workplace to immediately report such behavior to his or her Supervisor/Department Head. Failure to report such behavior may result in disciplinary action, up to and including termination, for the employee involved.

B. Employees may sometimes be involved in personal disputes with family members, neighbors, etc., that can sometimes escalate to the point that injunctions, restraining orders, and other court orders are sometimes sought. We request that employees who have experienced domestic violence or who have restraining orders against individuals or who have experienced "stalking" problems, advise their Supervisor/Department Head and provide a description of the individual(s). Even in the case where an employee has not secured a court order but fears for his or her safety, we request that the employee notify the police department immediately, and inform the Director of Human Resources and/or the Director of Campus Safety as soon as practicable.

C. The Supervisor/Department Head will immediately investigate and evaluate the situation. In situations involving weapons, or, in situations where the threat of bodily harm is immediate and readily apparent, the Supervisor/Department Head may suspend the individual(s) in question and provide a written summary of the incident to the Director of Human Resources and/or Director of Campus Safety for further action. Each incident of violent behavior, whether the incident is committed by another employee or an external individual such as a member of the general public or vendor, must be reported. The College (police, or representatives, as appropriate) will assess and investigate the incident and determine the appropriate recommended action to be taken.

D. In situations involving physical altercations or weapons, a Supervisor/Department Head may request the aid and presence of police personnel.

E. Call 911 or 9-911, if you believe there is an immediate emergency.

Disciplinary Remedies
A. Each incident will be evaluated independently and a proper remedy will be provided based upon the nature of the offense, duration, totality of the circumstances, and past offenses. Remedies could range from an oral reprimand to suspension and/or immediate termination, depending upon the severity of the offense. The employee may be subject to criminal charges and penalties.

B. Incidents involving weapons or other dangerous instruments are grounds for immediate suspension and may be subject to further disciplinary action, up to including termination from employment.

C. Any employee who acts in good faith by reporting real or implied violent behavior will not be subjected to any form of retaliation or harassment. Any action of this type resulting from a
report of violence must be reported to the Director of Human Resources and/or the Director of Campus Safety for investigation and decision regarding proper action and sanctions. Conversely, false or malicious reporting will also result in investigation and appropriate sanctions.

**Exceptions**
Police called to the campus are exempted from these regulations concerning weapons or dangerous instruments.
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Evacuation Map:
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**CAMPUS SECURITY AUTHORITY**

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Campus Security Authority – Crime Report

According to the Higher Education Act, or 20 U. S. C. 1092 now known as the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, Mitchell College must collect certain campus crime statistics. This law applies to certain crimes reported to the Campus Safety Department and other campus officials.

The details of this report will not be made public. Only the number of crimes occurring will be released. Your name will not be released. It is not required for the report, but it will help ensure the crime is not counted twice.

Date of crime: _____/_____/2013

Time of occurrence: ____

Location of crime:
Please give building name, parking lot number, street name with cross streets or close address, or nearby buildings if it occurred outside. Use a Mitchell College campus map and circle location if necessary.

Crime reported:
☐ Murder ☐ Negligent Manslaughter ☐ Robbery
☐ Burglary ☐ Motor vehicle theft ☐ Aggravated assault
☐ Forcible sex offense ☐ Non-forcible sex offense ☐ Arson
☐ Liquor Violation ☐ Drug Violation ☐ Weapon Violation
☐ Domestic Violence Violation ☐ Dating Violence Violation
☐ Stalking Violation

Hate crime reporting violations:
☐ Simple Assault ☐ Larceny ☐ Intimidation ☐ Vandalism

Disciplinary referral reported:
☐ Liquor Violation ☐ Drug Violation ☐ Weapon Violation

To whom disciplinary action was referred? _____

Host Count for Liquor/Drug/Weapon Violations: _____

Hate Crime? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Based On:
☐ Race ☐ Gender ☐ Religion ☐ Sexual Orientation ☐ Ethnicity ☐ Disability

Location Classification:
☐ On-Campus ☐ Residence Hall ☐ Non-Campus ☐ Public Property

Law Enforcement Agency(s) the incident has been reported to:
☐ None ☐ New London Police Department ☐ Connecticut State Police Department ☐ Other _____

Police Report Number: _____

Please give a brief description of the crime to help us classify it (use back of page if necessary): _____

Reporting Department: _____ Date: _____

Name of Departmental Official submitting this form: _____

Phone #: _____ E-mail: _____

Please submit this form to the Mitchell College Campus Safety Department and keep a copy for your records.

If you have questions about classifying a crime or a location, contact Paul Lombardo,
Director of Campus Safety, at 860-701-5182, or e-mail at lombardo_p@mitchell.edu.
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Mitchell College Weapons Policy:
Mitchell College Policy Manual - Student Affairs

Campus Conduct and Behavior

PURPOSE

These policies are established for all students, who are enrolled at Mitchell College students are bound by the policies of the College which are included but not limited to the ones listed as follows. All campus policies and procedures are subject to change at the discretion of the College.

THE POLICY

Weapons

Weapons are not permitted and include but not limited to firearms, explosives, and knives. Violators are subject to disciplinary action.

Residence Life and Housing Policy

PURPOSE

Residential living is an integral part of the academic success. The residence halls are communities where students take responsibility for their actions and their environment, promote understanding and respect, and foster opportunities and activities to make lasting friendships. Faculty and Staff involvement through study groups, lectures and workshops make the residence halls a living/learning environment, which provides an extension of the formal classroom education. The halls are not “dorms;” they are living-learning centers that provide a community based on mutual respect and shared living experiences. Detailed information about residence hall living is listed in the section on residence hall policies.

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THE POLICY

The success of a residential community depends upon mutual respect between and the shared community responsibility of all residents. Residents need to be concerned for the safety, rights and property of others. All residents are expected to abide by the policies found here, as well as those established by the Residence Life Staff and the Inter-Residence Hall Association (IRHA). Failure to abide by these guidelines will subject the individual to disciplinary action and possible loss of Mitchell College housing. These policies may change at the discretion of the College and subsequent notice of such to students.
Weapons

Residents are not permitted to bring ANY type of weapon into the residence halls. This includes, but is not limited to guns, “BB” rifle/gun, air soft or pellet gun paraphernalia, martial arts implements, knives and bombs. Students in possession of a weapon, regardless of intent, will face disciplinary action by the College which may include expulsion.

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Mitchell College Alcohol Policy:


**Mitchell College Policy Manual - Student Affairs**

**Campus Conduct and Behavior**

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**THE POLICY**

**Alcoholic Beverages**

The College enforces Federal Alcohol Laws on campus grounds, including Mitchell Woods, Mitchell Beach, the dock and all other college property. For other alcohol guidelines particular to the residence halls, please refer to the residential life section of this handbook.

**Residence Life and Housing Policy**

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Alcohol

Mitchell College now permits students of at least 21 years of age to drink alcohol on campus responsibly and to possess an amount not to exceed 1 pint of liquor (80 proof) OR 750 mL of wine OR 12 beers at one time per student. This policy exists as an acknowledgment that students at Mitchell College are adults. As a student who is at least 21 years of age, you must adhere to the policies outlined in the Code of Conduct to have the privilege of consuming or possessing alcohol on campus. Students over the age of 21 who choose to consume alcohol on campus must also complete a contract for the responsible use of alcohol with his/her Residence Director.

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Mitchell College Drug Policy:
Mitchell College Policy Manual - Student Affairs

Campus Conduct and Behavior

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THE POLICY

Drugs

It is unlawful, to possess, manufacture, dispense or sell a controlled substance/ illicit drug except as expressly authorized within law. Students violating this policy are subject to disciplinary action and may be subject to the local legal system. Mitchell College expects that students will not choose to use illegal substances, on or off campus, during their enrollment as a Mitchell student.

The odor of marijuana smoke may be considered enough evidence, when identified by a Campus Safety Officer and/or a Residence Hall Staff member, to subject a student to disciplinary action as an illegal substance violation.

For students with drug addictions, the Center for Health and Wellness serves as a resource to assist the student in receiving the appropriate assistance for recovery. The Center of Health and Wellness provides assistance to students who are considering treatment for substance dependence or addiction.

In compliance with the Drug Free Workplace Act (1988) and the Drug Free Schools/Communities Act (1989), the College distributes, in writing, to each student & employee:

a. Standards of conduct prohibiting the unlawful possession, use or distribution of illicit drugs/alcohol by students/employees

b. Disciplinary sanctions for violations of standards of conduct that include dismissal from the College

c. A description of applicable local, state/federal sanctions for unlawful possession, use or distribution of illicit drugs or alcohol

d. A description of health risks associated with the usage of illicit drugs or abuse of alcohol (see Appendix C)
e. Resource information on drug and alcohol counseling, treatment, rehabilitation and re-entry programs (see Appendix C)

Students should be aware of the following Connecticut state statutes regarding drugs and illegal substances:

Illegal Possession-Sec.21a-279 (a) - For the first offense, not more than 7 years imprisonment, or not more than $50,000 fine, or both; for second offense, not more than 15 years imprisonment, or not more than $250,000 fine, or both; for each subsequent offense, not more than 25 years imprisonment, or not more than $250,000 fine, or both. 1. A person possesses or has under his control any quantity of any narcotic substance, and 2. The actor is not authorized under this Chapter (42b) to do so.

Illegal Possession-Sec.21a-279 (b) - For the first offense, not more than 5 years imprisonment, or not more than $2,000 fine, or both; for each subsequent offense, not more than 10 years imprisonment, or not more than $5,000 fine, or both. 1. A person possesses or has under his control any quantity of a hallucinogenic substance other than marijuana or four or more ounces of cannabis-type substance, and 2. The actor is not authorized under this Chapter (420b) to do so.

Illegal Possession-Sec.21a-279 (c) - For the first offense, not more than $3,000 fine, or not more than 1 year imprisonment, or both; each subsequent offense, not more than 5 years imprisoned, or not more than $3,000 fine, or both. 1. A person possesses or has under his control any quantity of a controlled substance that is not a narcotic substance and not a hallucinogenic substance or less than four ounces of a cannabis type substance, and 2. The actor is not authorized under this Chapter (42b) to do so.

Any student or employee of Mitchell College who violates federal, state, or local laws, may be prosecuted by the federal, state or local authorities, and may be sentenced in accordance with the laws of those jurisdictions. Mitchell College does not protect individuals from legal consequences of violations. Any student in violation of the College’s drug policy shall be subject to sanctions in accordance the Mitchell College judicial system and will be subject to disciplinary actions up to separation from the College.
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Appendix X;

Alcohol and Drug Impact
Information Policy:
Alcohol and Drug Use Impact Information

Drug-Free Schools and Campuses Act Amendments of 1989

The Drug-Free Schools and Campuses Act Amendments of 1989 require an institution of higher education, as a condition of receiving funds or any other form of financial assistance under any federal program, to certify that it has adopted and implemented a program to prevent the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students and employees. As part of its drug prevention program for students and employees, Mitchell College annually distributes in writing to each student and employee the following information:

- Standards of conduct that clearly prohibit the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students and employees on its property or as part of any of its activities;
- Description of applicable local, state, and federal legal sanctions pertaining to the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol;
- Description of health risks associated with the use of illicit drugs and the abuse of alcohol;
- Description of available drug and alcohol counseling, treatment, rehabilitation, and re-entry programs;
- Clear statement of the disciplinary sanctions that the college will impose on students and employees who violate the standards of conduct.

Standards of Conduct

Mitchell has adopted standards of conduct concerning the use and abuse of illicit drugs and alcohol, the relevant college policy and regulations are provided to all current students and employees. The policies and procedures detailed below apply to all members of the College, and to all College-sponsored events and activities that occur on and off campus.

- The unlawful manufacture, possession, use, dispensation, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students or employees on Mitchell College property or as part of any College activity is prohibited. Students and employees must comply with this policy as a condition of enrollment or employment.
- Employees as well as students are reminded that the College considers it the responsibility of the members of this community, both individually and collectively, to comply with the applicable local, state, and federal laws controlling drug and alcohol possession, use, or distribution.
- The use of alcohol does not excuse misconduct.
Statutes and Sanctions Pertaining to the Unlawful Possession, Use, or Distribution of Illicit Drugs and Alcohol

City of New London, Connecticut

Code of Ordinances: Chapter 3: Alcoholic Beverages

Sec. 3-2. Consumption and carrying in public places restricted.

(a) Except as specifically exempted in subsection (b), no person shall consume or carry any opened beer, wine, or any other alcoholic beverage, the sale or distribution of which is regulated by the liquor control act of the state, upon the public streets, highways, sidewalks or alleyways of the city, nor in any building or upon any land owned by the city, nor in any motor vehicle regardless whether such motor vehicle is parked or in motion.

(b) Nothing contained in subsection (a) shall be construed to apply to those public lands and parks owned by the city and designated as follows: Ocean Beach Park in those areas designated by the Ocean Beach Park Board; and in such public places where temporary special events are authorized by specific vote of the city council.

(c) Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall be fined not less than ten dollars ($10.00) nor more than one hundred dollars ($100.00).

(Ord. of 5-21-73, §§ 1—3; Ord. of 7-11-77, § 1; Ord. of 8-4-86, § 1)

Connecticut State Statutes

A. Drugs

1. Penalties for Illegal Manufacture, Distribution, Sale, Prescription, or Dispensing of Controlled Substances

a. Hallucinogenic or narcotic substances other than marijuana. First offense: Prison sentence not to exceed 15 years and/or fine not to exceed $50,000. Second offense: Prison sentence not to exceed 30 years and/or fine not to exceed $100,000. Each subsequent offense: Prison sentence not to exceed 30 years and/or fine not to exceed $250,000. (See Connecticut General Statute 21a-277.)

b. Other controlled substances excluding marijuana. First offense: prison sentence not to exceed seven (7) years and/or fine not to exceed $25,000. Each subsequent offense: Prison sentence not to exceed 15 years and/or fine not to exceed $100,000. (See Connecticut General Statute 21a-277.)
2. Penalties for Illegal Manufacture, Distribution, Sale, and Prescription or Administration by Non-drug dependent Person

See Connecticut General Statute 21a-278

3. Penalties for Illegal Manufacture, Distribution, Sale, Prescription, or Administration Involving Minors

See Connecticut General Statute 21a-278

4. Penalties for Possession

See Connecticut General Statute 21a–279

B. Alcohol

1. Sale of Alcohol to Minors and Intoxicated Persons (see Connecticut General Statute 30-86)

a. Any permittee who sells or delivers alcoholic liquor to any minor, or to any intoxicated person, or to any habitual drunkard shall be fined not more than $1,000 and/or imprisoned not more than one (1) year.

b. Any person who delivers or gives alcoholic liquor to any minor, except on the order of a practicing physician, shall be fined not more than $1,500 and/or imprisoned not more than 18 months.

2. Inducing Minors to Procure Liquor (see Connecticut General Statute 30-87)

a. Any person who induces any minor to procure alcoholic liquor from any person permitted to sell the same shall be fined not more than $1,000 and/or imprisoned not more than one year.

3. Misrepresentation of Age (see Connecticut General Statute 30–88a)

a. Any person who misrepresents his age or uses or exhibits for the purpose of procuring alcoholic liquor an operator’s license belonging to any other person shall be fined not less than $200 nor more than $500 and/or imprisoned for not more than 30 days.

4. Procuring Liquor by Persons Forbidden and Public Possession of Liquor by Minors (see Connecticut General Statute 30-89)
a. Any person to whom the sale of alcoholic liquor is by law forbidden who purchases or attempts to purchase such liquor or who makes any false statement for the purpose of procuring such liquor shall be fined not less than $200 nor more than $500.

b. Any minor who possesses any alcoholic liquor on any street or highway or in any public place or place open to the public, including a club that is open to the public, shall be fined not less than $200 nor more than $500.

5. Dram Shop Act (see Connecticut General Statute 30–102)

a. If any person, by himself or his agent, sells any alcoholic liquor to any intoxicated person, and such purchaser, in consequence of such intoxication, thereafter injures the person or property of another, such seller shall pay just damages to the person injured, up to the amount of $20,000, or to persons injured in consequence of such intoxication up to an aggregate amount of $50,000.

6. Operating a Motor Vehicle While Under the Influence of Liquor or Drug or While Impaired by Liquor (see Connecticut General Statute 14-227a)

a. Any person who operates a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drug or both or who operates a motor vehicle while his ability to operate is impaired by the consumption of intoxicating liquor shall, for conviction of a first violation, be fined not less than $500 and be imprisoned for not more than six months, and shall have his operator’s license suspended for one year.

b. This statute provides for greater penalties for subsequent offenses.

Information relative to Federal Penalties and Sanctions for Illegal Possession of a Controlled Substances can be found in the Student Handbook published on the web at:

http://community.mitchell.edu/StudentHandbook/OtherPolicies#ad
Health Risks Associated With Alcohol and other Drug Use

Controlled Substances: Type of Drug and Possible Health Risks

1. Tobacco

Nicotine: cigarettes, cigars, bidis, and smokeless tobacco

Increased blood pressure, and heart rate/chronic lung disease; cardiovascular disease; stroke; cancers of the mouth, pharynx, larynx, esophagus, stomach, pancreas, cervix, kidney, bladder, and acute myeloid leukemia; adverse pregnancy outcomes; addiction.

2. Alcohol

Alcohol: liquor, beer, wine, spirits

In low doses, euphoria, mild stimulation, relaxation, lowered inhibitions; in higher doses, drowsiness, slurred speech, nausea, emotional volatility, loss of coordination, visual distortions, impaired memory, sexual dysfunction, loss of consciousness/increased risk of injuries, violence, fetal damage (in pregnant women); depression; neurologic deficits; hypertension; liver and heart disease; addiction; fatal overdose.

3. Cannabinoids

Marijuana: blunt, dope, ganja, grass, herb, joint, bed, Mary Jane, pot, reefer, green, trees, smoke, sinsemilla, skunk, weed

Euphoria; relaxation; slowed reaction time; distorted sensory perception; impaired balance and coordination; increased heart rate and appetite; impaired learning, memory; anxiety; panic attacks; psychosis/cough, frequent respiratory infections; possible mental health decline; addiction.

Hashish: boom, gangster, hash, hash oil, hemp

See Marijuana effects

4. Opioids

Heroin: Diacetylmorphine: smack, horse, brown sugar, dope, H, junk, skag, skunk, white horse, China white; cheese [with OTC cold medicine and antihistamine]).
Euphoria; drowsiness; impaired coordination; dizziness; confusion; nausea; sedation; feeling of heaviness in the body; slowed or arrested breathing/constipation; endocarditis; hepatitis; HIV; addiction; fatal overdose

Opium: Laudanum, paregoric: big O, black stuff, block, gum, hop).

See Heroin effects

5. Stimulants


Increased heart rate, blood pressure, body temperature, metabolism; feelings of exhilaration; increased energy, mental alertness; tremors; reduced appetite; irritability; anxiety; panic; paranoia; violent behavior; psychosis/weight loss, insomnia; cardiac or cardiovascular complications; stroke; seizures; Nasal damage from snorting [cocaine only]; addiction.

Amphetamine: Biphetamine, Dexedrine: bennies, black beauties, crosses, hearts, LA turnaround, speed, truck drivers, uppers

See Cocaine effects.

Methamphetamine: Desoxyn: meth, ice, crank, chalk, crystal, fire, glass, go fast, speed

See Cocaine effects, also severe dental problems.

6. Club Drugs

MDMA Methylenedioxymethamphetamine: Ecstasy, Adam, clarity, Eve, lover's speed, peace, uppers

Mild hallucinogenic effects; increased tactile sensitivity; empathic feelings; lowered inhibition; anxiety; chills; sweating; teeth clenching; muscle cramping/sleep disturbances; depression; impaired memory; hyperthermia; addiction.

Flunitrazepam ***Rohypnol: forget-me pill, Mexican Valium, R2, roach, Roche, roofies, roofinol, rope, rophies

sedation; muscle relaxation; confusion; memory loss; dizziness; impaired coordination/addiction.
**GHB*** Gamma-hydroxybutyrate: G, Georgia home boy, grievous bodily harm, liquid ecstasy, soap, scoop, goop, liquid X

Drowsiness; nausea; headache; disorientation; loss of coordination; memory loss/unconsciousness; seizures; coma.

*** Associated with sexual assaults

**7. Dissociative Drugs**

**Ketamine**: Ketalar SV: cat Valium, K, Special K, vitamin K)

Feelings of being separate from one’s body and environment; impaired motor function/anxiety; tremors; numbness; memory loss; nausea. Analgesia; impaired memory; delirium; respiratory depression and arrest; death (Ketamine only).

**PCP and analogs**: Phencyclidine: angel dust, boat, hog, love boat, peace pill

See Ketamine effects, also analgesia; psychosis; aggression; violence; slurred speech; loss of coordination; hallucinations.

**Saliva divinorum**: Salvia, Shepherdess’s Herb, Maria Pastora, magic mint, Sally-D

See Ketamine effects.

**Dextromethorphan**: DXM: Found in some cough and cold medications: Robotripping, Robo, Triple C

See Ketamine effects, also euphoria; slurred speech; confusion; dizziness; distorted visual perceptions

**8. Hallucinogens**

**LSD (Lysergic acid diethylamide)**: acid, blotter, cubes, microdot yellow sunshine, blue heaven

Euphoria; slurred speech; confusion; dizziness; distorted visual perceptions. Also, increased body temperature, heart rate, blood pressure; loss of appetite; sweating; sleeplessness; numbness, dizziness, weakness, tremors; impulsive behavior; rapid shifts in emotion (LSD & Mescaline specific). LSD can also result in flashbacks and Hallucinogen Persisting Perception Disorder.
**Mescaline**: Buttons, cactus, mesc, peyote

See LSD effects.

**Psilocybin**: Magic mushrooms, purple passion, shrooms, little smoke

See LSD effects, also nervousness; paranoia; panic.

9. Other Compounds

**Anabolic steroids**: Anadrol, Oxandrin, Durabolin, Depo-Testosterone, Equipoise: roids, juice, gym candy, pumpers

No intoxication effects/hypertension; blood clotting and cholesterol changes; liver cysts; hostility and aggression; acne; in adolescents—premature stoppage of growth; in males—prostate cancer, reduced sperm production, shrunken testicles, breast enlargement; in females—menstrual irregularities, development of beard and other masculine characteristics.

**Inhalants Solvents**: paint thinners, gasoline, glue, gases (butane, propane, aerosol propellants, nitrous oxide); nitrites (isoamyl, isobutyl, cyclohexyl): laughing gas, poppers, snappers, whippets.

(varies by chemical)—Stimulation; loss of inhibition; headache; nausea or vomiting; slurred speech; loss of motor coordination; wheezing/cramps; muscle weakness; depression; memory impairment; damage to cardiovascular and nervous systems; unconsciousness; sudden death

10. Prescription Medications:

Prescription drugs can help patients manage chronic or severe pain, restore emotional or behavioral balance, control sleep disorders, or fight obesity. When prescription medications are abused, however, the consequences—including addiction—can be dangerous, even deadly. Three classes of commonly abused prescription drugs are as follows: (1) opioids; (2) central nervous system (CNS) depressants, including sedatives and tranquilizers; (3) stimulants.

**What are opioids and what are the potential consequences of their use and abuse?**

Opioids, include morphine, codeine, and related drugs such as oxycodone (OxyContin), hydrocodone (Vicodin), and meperidine (Demerol) and are commonly prescribed to relieve pain. Opioids can produce drowsiness and, in higher doses, depress respiration. Opioid drugs also can cause euphoria.
Taken as prescribed, opioids can be used to manage pain effectively without untoward side effects. Chronic use of opioids can result in tolerance, which means that users must take higher doses to achieve the same effects. Long-term use also can lead to physical dependence and addiction; withdrawal can occur when an individual discontinues use of the drugs. Withdrawal symptoms may include restlessness, muscle and bone pain, insomnia, diarrhea, vomiting, cold flashes with goose bumps, and involuntary leg movements. Individuals who are addicted to opioids are more likely to overdose on the drugs, which could be fatal.

**What are CNS depressants and what are the potential consequences of their use and abuse?**

Among the most commonly prescribed CNS depressants are barbiturates, such as mephobarbital (Mebaral) and pentobarbital sodium (Nembutal), which are prescribed to treat anxiety, tension, and sleep disorders; and benzodiazepines, such as diazepam (Valium) and alprazolam (Xanax), which typically are prescribed to treat anxiety, acute stress reactions, and panic attacks. Other benzodiazepines, such as triazolam (Halcion) and estazolam (ProSom), are prescribed for short-term treatment of sleep disorders.

Although the various classes of CNS depressants work differently, they all produce a beneficial drowsy or calming effect in individuals suffering from sleep disorders or anxiety. If one uses these drugs over a long period of time, the body will develop tolerance, and larger doses will be needed to achieve the initial effects. In addition, continued use can lead to physical dependence and, when use is reduced or stopped, withdrawal. Both barbiturates and benzodiazepines have the potential for abuse and should be used only as prescribed. As with opioids, overdose of these drugs can be fatal.

**What are stimulants and what are the potential consequences of their use and abuse?**

Stimulants enhance brain activity, increasing alertness, attention, and energy, raising blood pressure, and elevating heart rate and respiration. Stimulants such as methylphenidate (Ritalin) and dextroamphetamine (Dexedrine) are prescribed for the treatment of narcolepsy, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder, and depression that has not responded to other treatments. They also may be used for short-term treatment of obesity.

Individuals may become addicted to the sense of well-being and enhanced energy that stimulants can generate. Taking high doses of stimulants repeatedly over a short time, however, can lead to feelings of hostility or paranoia. Additionally, taking high doses of stimulants may result in dangerously high body temperatures and an irregular heartbeat.

*For more information on addiction to prescription medications and/or controlled substances, please visit the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) website: [www.drugabuse.gov](http://www.drugabuse.gov).*
Counseling and Treatment for Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse

Prevention and Education for Students

The Student Affairs staff members coordinate alcohol and other drug prevention education activities. These efforts consist of educational outreach activities with the goal of informing and educating the Mitchell community about the use and abuse of alcohol and other drugs. Our program is aimed at creating an environment on campus in which responsible choices about alcohol and drug use are supported. For information on Health Education programs offered by the Division of Student Affairs, please contact the Director of Health and Wellness, 860-701-7787.

Counseling and Treatment for Students

Any student who has personal concerns regarding the use or abuse of any drug is urged to contact Counseling Services in the Student Health and Wellness Center for confidential assistance, consultation, and referral. Call the Student Health and Wellness Center at 860-701-7787 to make an appointment with a personal counselor.

Ongoing Support for Students in Recovery

Professionals are available in the Health & Wellness Department for Students in need of ongoing counseling and support. Twelve-step support programs are available locally; for more information contact the Department of Health & Wellness at 860 701-7787.

Individualized Reentry Program

This program is for those students who are returning to the College following treatment (usually inpatient) for drug/alcohol abuse. When the student returns to campus, he/she will meet with a therapist to develop an individualized plan for his/her successful return to the College. This plan will be coordinated with the treatment facilities with which the student was involved.

Alcohol and Drug Treatment Programs available in the Greater New London Area

Southeastern Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependence (SCADD) - http://www.scadd.org/
Bank Street, New London, CT 06320, P (860) 437-2383

Stonington Institute - http://stoningtoninstitute.com/
75 Swantown Hill Road, North Stonington, CT 06359, 1-800-832-1022
Chemical Addiction Recovery  
258 Bank St, New London, CT 06320, (860) 442-3380

Hartford Dispensary New London Clinic  
931 Bank Street, New London, CT 06320, (860) 447-2233

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)  
1-866-783-7712 website: www.ct-aa.org

Cocaine Hotline  
1-800-COCAINE website: www.ca.org

Marijuana Anonymous (MA)  
http://www.ma-online.org

Narcotics Anonymous (NA)  
1-800-627-3543 website: www.ctna.org

Other Information Sources  
For more information on addiction to prescription medications, visit  
http://www.drugabuse.gov/
Appendix XI;

Mitchell College Restricted

Items Policy:
Mitchell College Policy Manual - Student Affairs

Campus Conduct and Behavior

PURPOSE

These policies are established for all students, who are enrolled at Mitchell College students are bound by the policies of the College which are included but not limited to the ones listed as follows. All campus policies and procedures are subject to change at the discretion of the College.

Residence Life and Housing Policy

PURPOSE

Residential living is an integral part of the academic success. The residence halls are communities where students take responsibility for their actions and their environment, promote understanding and respect, and foster opportunities and activities to make lasting friendships. Faculty and Staff involvement through study groups, lectures and workshops make the residence halls a living/learning environment, which provides an extension of the formal classroom education. The halls are not “dorms;” they are living-learning centers that provide a community based on mutual respect and shared living experiences. Detailed information about residence hall living is listed in the section on residence hall policies.

Mitchell College believes in the importance of on-campus residential living as part of the college experience. As such, all full-time Mitchell students must live in residence halls unless they live in a home year round with a parent, spouse or guardian. The College does consider petitions of older and upper class students to live independently in the local community.

THE POLICY

The success of a residential community depends upon mutual respect between and the shared community responsibility of all residents. Residents need to be concerned for the safety, rights and property of others. All residents are expected to abide by the policies found here, as well as those established by the Residence Life Staff and the Inter-Residence Hall Association (IRHA). Failure to abide by these guidelines will subject the individual to disciplinary action and possible loss of Mitchell College housing. These policies may change at the discretion of the College and subsequent notice of such to students.

Restricted Items

A complete list of restricted items may be found in the Student Handbook, published online at: http://community.mitchell.edu/StudentHandbook

Room Entry/Search
If a Mitchell College Student Affairs staff member requests to enter a room for a reasonable cause, the resident(s) must permit entry. A failure to do so represents a “failure to comply” violation. Except in specific and defined circumstances staff members will enter a room only after seeking a resident’s consent. If a resident refuses consent, the staff member may still enter (after identifying self and staff role) for reasonable cause. Reasons for which staff may enter a room are: to perform routine safety/maintenance inspections/repairs; to verify room occupancy; to respond to an emergency/crisis situation; and to investigate probable violations of College policy. Mitchell College reserves the right to search a room and/or the belongings of any student upon reasonable belief that violations of federal, state, or local laws or Mitchell College policy are occurring. Such searches occur only with the approval of the Dean of Students or his/her designee after being requested by the Student Life Staff. In the event of a significant emergency, the Director of Campus Safety may authorize a room search.
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Appendix XII;

New London Police Department Letter:
Deputy Chief Peter Reichard  
New London Police Department  
5 Governor Winthrop Blvd.  
New London, CT 06320

Dear Deputy Chief Reichard,

According to the Federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, postsecondary institutions are required to disclose statistics for certain crimes that occurred on our campus, and on public property within and immediately adjacent to College-owned buildings and property. We are required to disclose offenses that are reported not only to our department but also those offenses reported to local and state law enforcement agencies.

I am requesting 2013 crime statistics for the following offenses:

- Murder/Non-negligent Manslaughter,
- Negligent Manslaughter,
- Sex offenses-forcible (i.e., forcible rape, forcible sodomy, sexual assault with an object and forcible fondling),
- Sex offenses-non-forcible (i.e., statutory rape and incest),
- Robbery,
- Burglary,
- Aggravated Assault,
- Motor Vehicle Theft,
- Arson

In your response, please specify if any of the above-listed offenses were categorized as hate crimes. In addition, please include statistics for any incidents of larceny-theft, simple assault, intimidation, or destruction/damage/vandalism of property that were also classified as hate crimes. Please include the category of bias for each hate crime according to the six categories we are required to report: race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity/national origin, and disability.

Finally, please include statistics for arrests for the following UCR categories in the geographical areas/address stated below:

- Liquor Law Violations,
- Drug Abuse Violations,
- Weapons: Carrying, Possessing, Etc.
For you reference, the following address are what Mitchell College considers to be ‘on-campus’. These specific addresses, and those public areas immediately adjacent are the only geographical areas that we are seeking crime data on:

1. Mitchell College Main Campus (437 Pequot Avenue)
2. 709/715 Montauk Avenue,
3. 355/361/373 Pequot Avenue (Waterfront Resident Housing), 91
4. 11 Gardner Avenue (Thames Academy),
5. 35 Governor Winthrop Blvd. (New London Hotel Plaza) and
6. Mitchell Woods

It would be greatly appreciated it if you could provide this information as soon as it is available as we are in the process of publishing our annual report.

Thanks in advance for your attention to this matter.
Respectfully,

George N. Marshall
Director of Campus Safety
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Email: lombardo_p@mitchell.edu
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Crisis and Emergency Communications Policy:
Crisis and Emergency Communications Policy

1. PURPOSE
The purpose of effective crisis and emergency communication is to mitigate the identified emergency, crisis, or controversial incident and protect the safety of the faculty, staff, students, and community by providing accurate information to all constituencies.

2. DEFINITIONS
Spokesperson: a man or woman who speaks for or represents someone or something.

Crisis Communications: Crisis communication is a function of the Office of Campus Safety and is designed to protect and defend the College. Challenges or crises may come in the form of an incident on campus risking harm to member or members of the campus community, criminal allegation, a media inquiry, or any of a number of other scenarios involving the legal, ethical or financial standing of the College.

Emergency Communications: Emergency communication is a function of the Office of Campus Safety and is designed to notify the campus. Emergencies on the campus may come in the form of an college closings, changes to parking situations, dorm or building closing in non-life threatening situations, closing parts of the campus, and/or situations that make it prudent for the campus to communicate quickly to the entire or part of the population.

3. THE POLICY
During an emergency or crisis, College personnel should immediately notify Campus Safety at 860-443-0214 or call 911. An emergency or crisis includes fires, bomb threats, floods, pandemic flu, crime, accidents, etc. Campus police will notify the VP of Student Affairs, who in turn, will notify the President and the Office of Communications.

After an assessment of the emergency, crisis, or controversial issue, the Director of Campus Safety will determine whether the Crisis Communication Team should be activated.

Media Inquiries: All media inquiries should be forwarded to the Office of Communications at 860-701-5000. It is extremely important during emergencies, crises, and controversial issues that only factual information be distributed, speculation and rumors prevented, and security and privacy issues considered.

Crisis Communication Team Members
Director of Campus Security (Leader)
Office of Communications
Chief Information Officer
Web Services Coordinator
Network Support Manager
The Director of Campus Safety serves as the leader of the Crisis Communication Team and is a standing member of the College’s Crisis Management Team, which directs the response to, and management of, Campus emergencies and crises.

Depending on the nature of the crisis or emergency, the leader may augment the Crisis Communication team with other college or external personnel. Back-up team members will also be designated.

• **PROCEDURE**

**Assess the Situation:** A fact sheet of the emergency, crisis, or controversial issue is developed. The fact sheet contains a summary statement of the situation including all known details to be released to the media, and other constituencies. This information is made available to (and approved by) the President of the College and appropriate Vice Presidents. This fact sheet is analyzed with respect to the public’s right to know and concerns for privacy and security, in consultation with General Counsel when appropriate.

**Designate a spokesperson:** In most cases, the designated spokesperson is the Office of Communications.

In case of a significant crisis, the President or the highest-ranking College official must take the lead in conveying the administration’s response to the crisis, showing that the college has control of the situation, calming public concern, and setting an example for the entire campus.

Determine if photography/videography is required for documentation or media releases.

**Contact appropriate constituencies:** Depending on the nature of the situation, appropriate constituencies will be contacted. Constituencies may include:

- Full and part-time general and teaching faculty, on and off campus
- Full and part-time staff, on and off campus
- Students, on and off campus
- Parents
- College Board
- Alumni/Donors
- Business community/opinion leaders
- Vendors, College partners, granting entities
- Mass Media
- General Public

**Determine appropriate communication vehicles:** The Crisis Communication Team will determine the appropriate vehicle(s) to communicate information and their priority order, which may include:
Key campus individuals (land phone or mobile phone)
Web Site (Home Page, Lite Page for high traffic with FAQ’s, Podcasts)
Facsimiles
Crisis Communication Phone Line
Media releases and/or interviews for Broadcast and Print Media
Press Conference
Hotlinks on Media Web Sites
Public access TV
Mass Meetings
Direct Mail
2-Way Radios

**Post incident:** Anxiety and rumors often linger after an incident. In most cases, within three days after the close of a crisis, a public forum will be held for all interested members of the campus community. Representatives from Campus Safety, Human Resources, and Student Affairs should attend and be prepared to answer questions and share pertinent information. Specific departments and/or individuals also may be requested to attend and participate depending upon the nature of the crisis.

Factual information should be available through several communication vehicles for a period of time after the incident, as determined by Office of Communications.

Follow-up and appreciation letters to external agencies or organizations who assisted will be sent.

The Crisis Communication Team will meet within 10 days of each incident to ascertain its effectiveness and to seek improvement strategies.

- **REFERENCES**
  DeSales University, Lehigh University, University of CT, University of Virginia, Boston College, Duke University

- **APPENDICES**