annual
security
report
police and safety

ipfw university police and safety telephone 481-6911 • call university police for personal escorts: 16900

your safety

ipfw is concerned about the safety and welfare of all campus members and guests, and is committed to promoting a safe and secure environment. although we have been fortunate in not experiencing a significant number of serious crimes, the potential for such incidents always exists.

the university attempts to provide a safe and secure environment for students, staff, and visitors. but it is only possible to maintain safety and security when every student and staff member takes an active part in this effort. please report all suspicious or criminal activity immediately by calling 16811 from any campus phone.

the purpose of this publication is threefold:

• to inform students and staff of the university’s policies and programs that promote safety and security.
• to increase awareness by summarizing recent crime data.
• to suggest ways that students and staff can deter criminal behavior and promote the safety of persons and possessions.

without a doubt, how effective the university’s programs may be, the primary responsibility for safety and security lies with each of us. no police force or set of procedures can be effective unless individuals exercise reasonable care and prudence. safety and security are everyone’s responsibility.

statistics in this report are obtained from ipfw police and safety, fort wayne police department, office of the dean of students, and athletics, recreation, and intramural sports.

ipfw police and safety

the police and safety office is located in the physical plant (west of classroom-medical building) and is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. the staff consists of 12 police officers, 2 security officers, and 3 clerks/dispatchers.

under state law, police officers possess full police powers including the powers of arrest (ic-20-12-3.5) on all property owned or occupied by the university. police and safety works closely with local law enforcement agencies and solicits information on criminal activity at students off-campus locations. the police and safety office is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. the staff consists of 12 police officers, 2 security officers, and 3 clerks/dispatchers.

some of the services available through police and safety are the following:

• jump starts for stranded motorists;
• unlock service for individuals who have locked their keys in their cars;
• escort service available 24 hours a day for students and visitors;
• campus-wide emergency telephone system monitored 24 hours a day;
• free engraving of social security or identification numbers on personal property;
• lost-and-found department;
• crime prevention lectures and seminars, which include new student orientation numerous times per year, staff training on security procedures, and programs on special safety and security topics upon request;
• rad (rape aggression defense) classes. call extension 16626 for information.

security of campus facilities

most buildings are normally open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. monday through saturday, and 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. sunday. employees have been instructed to immediately report any suspicious situations and not to admit strangers into buildings and/or offices.

students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to report lock deficiencies and inadequate lighting on walkways or trees and shrubbery that are a safety/security concern to the physical plant or police and safety.

crime reporting

numerous efforts are made to advise members of the campus community on a timely basis about campus crime and crime-related problems. these efforts include:

• quarterly and annual crime reports: reports of crime-related information are compiled, published, and widely distributed.
• student newspaper: the student newspaper, the communicator, prints news briefs on criminal activities and special notices when needed.
• special alerts: when circumstances occur that pose a threat to persons or property, special printed crime alerts are prepared and distributed throughout the campus and posted to ipfw’s web page and bulletin boards.
• ipfw does not allow victims or witnesses to report crimes on a confidential basis that do not appear in this report. professional counselors are not encouraged to inform the persons they are counseling to report crimes on a confidential basis.

fire safety plan

fire safety preparedness

• learn your building’s exit system.
• know at least two separate routes from your area to an exit or exit stairway.
• know the location of your building’s fire alarm, and learn how to use it.
• know the emergency telephone number for the area (16811).
• if you have a disability that could delay your escape, let someone in authority know about it, and be sure there is a plan to assist you.
• never block fire exits, doors, corridors, or stairways.

in the event of fire:

• if you discover a fire, activate the building fire alarm system, and call the police (dial emergency 16811).
• leave the fire area immediately by following your planned exit route and closing all doors behind you to slow the spread of fire and smoke.
• building via the closest exit or exit stairway.
• never use an elevator when evacuating a burning building.
• once outside the building, move to a safe area. tell the fire department if anyone is left in the building and do not re-enter until you are told to.

if you are unable to exit or are trapped:

• shutter windows and doors, and attempt to contact someone in authority through the window.
• if possible, move to a room with an outside window.
• if there is a working phone call 16811 and tell the dispatcher where you are. do this even if you can see the fire department from the window.
• stay where you can see rescue workers through the window, and wave a light-colored item to attract their attention.
• stuff clothing, towels, or paper around the cracks in the door to help keep smoke out of your refuge.
• if possible, open the window at the top and bottom. be ready to shut the window quickly, if smoke rushes in.
• be patient. the rescue of occupants of large structures could take hours.

portable fire extinguishers

• portable fire extinguishers are appropriate only for small, contained fires, such as a fire in a wastebasket. some will not work on flammable liquids, combustible metals, or electrical fires.
• if you do not fight a fire you have not been trained, are unsure about the type of extinguisher or how to use it, or if the fire is spreading or blocking your escape.

theft

campuses and surrounding areas are frequent targets of thieves. this is largely because so many students and employees carry large sums of money, clear of unlocked and valuables unprotected. as with crimes against the person, your best defense against thieves is vigilance. recognize that dangers exists and take precautions. here are a few suggestions:

• don’t keep your id card on your key ring.
• don’t leave valuables unattended.
• keep your checkbook, jewelry, and cash in a locked drawer.

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the university will change a victim’s academic situation if you are a victim of a sexual assault. a victim of a sexual offense can request that the university change their academic situation from a student who is present and participated in a sexual offense to one who was not and was not in a position to have participated.

the best defenses against rape and sexual assault are alertness and awareness. at all times, including dating situations, you should:

• let a friend or roommate know whom you will be with, where you will be, and when you expect to return. leave your address and phone number.
• never allow peer pressure to influence the amount of alcohol you drink. a study at a big ten university showed that 80 percent of men and 70 percent of women involved in sexual assault had been drinking.
• trust your feelings and instincts. if you feel threatened, there’s probably a good reason. get away fast.
• report any assault or threat of assault to police and safety and the dean of students immediately.

in selecting dating partners, beware of a person who:

• ignores your wishes.
• becomes angry or hostile when you say “no.”
• tries to make you feel guilty when you say “no.”
• ignores your personal space boundaries.
• is quick to show anger or aggression.
• is excessively jealous or possessive.
• doesn’t listen to what you say.
• pressures you to constantly make advances.
• expresses hostile feelings about women in general.

your first few dates with any individual should be in public places. always have an alternate way home.

information on registered sex offenders is available at https://in.gov/dep/serviceweb or through a link on the ipfw police and safety web site at www.ipfw.edu/services/resources/police.shtml.
Drug and Alcohol Policy
IPFW regulations prohibit the possession, consumption, distribution, or sale of alcoholic beverages and illegal drugs, as defined by state law, on campus except as expressly permitted by the Internal Operating Procedures for the Possession, Consumption, Distribution, and Sale of Alcoholic Beverages on the Fort Wayne Campus. Policies (Executive Memorandum No. C-44) are available for inspection at the following locations; Helmke Library, Office of the Vice Chancellor, Office of the Dean of Students, and the university police department.

Violators of alcohol and drug laws will be referred to the Dean of Students for administrative action or arrested on criminal charges.

Crime Definitions
(FBI Uniforms Crime Reporting)

Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter
The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

Forcible Sex Offenses
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.

Nonforcible Sex Offenses
Nonforcible sexual intercourse and other unlawful sexual acts.

Robbery
The taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force, threat of force or violence, 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 to commit a felony or theft.

Negligent Manslaughter
The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter
Any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, or personal property of another.

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, or personal property of another.

Rape Victims
If you are the victim of a rape, get to a safe place as soon as you can. Then you should:
• Try to preserve all physical evidence. Do not bathe, douche, use the toilet, or change clothing.
• Notify the police—even if you are unsure about filing charges.
• Get medical attention as soon as possible. The police will assist with this.
• Call a close friend, counselor, or other trusted person who can be with you during your interview with the police.
• Use the victim-assistance services of campus and/or community agencies, including the dean of students, Center for Women and Returning Adults, and Fort Wayne Women’s Bureau-Rape Crisis Hotline (426-7273). Rape Aggression Defense classes are provided free to the campus community by university police.

Weapons Possession
Firearms are strictly forbidden on campus unless authorized. Violators are subject to college discipline and criminal sanctions.

For a complete listing of IPFW regulations, consult the Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct in the Student Handbook. Copies are available in the Office of the Dean of Students, Walb 113, 481-6601.

Emergency Telephones

Emergency telephones can be activated by pushing the button or use any of the emergency telephones on campus. For criminal reports, Police and Safety may be contacted at 16900 or 16911. You may also stop by the office, which is staffed 24 hours a day. All criminal reports will be investigated as soon as possible.

Free on-campus telephones are located in the lobbies and corridors of all campus buildings. These telephones can be used to contact the university police for routine services such as jump starts and vehicle unlocks. For these routine services, call the office at 16827 or 16900.

* This publication complies with Executive Memorandum No. C-49 "Campus Statistics and Security Policy and Procedure."