

SNHU Laconia

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A Safe Place to Excel

This publication is addressed to all students, prospective students, faculty and staff in compliance with the Campus Security Act of 1990. It is important for everyone to think about the security of their environment. This publication will let you know what we at the Laconia Center of Southern NH University are doing to keep the campus safe, and how you can help.

At Southern NH University, safety is everybody's business. Students, faculty and staff are partners in creating an atmosphere that is safe and encourages learning. We take many common sense precautions to keep the campus safe, and we count on your cooperation and attention to maintaining this safe environment.

Southern New Hampshire University's safety program has three elements: Education, Prevention, and Response.

Education

The key to preventing crime is awareness. Southern NH University students, staff and faculty work together and learn how to reduce security risks.

At the Laconia Center campus most incidents can be avoided if students and staff members understand the importance of basic precautions: exiting the building together at night and making sure the exit door is closed at the end of the second period.

Safety is reinforced through informal conversations and local educational programs.

Reporting of Crimes

The Laconia Center encourages the reporting of any suspicious activity or criminal incident to the person in charge at the center (ie: center director, academic advisor, center secretary, a faculty member, the custodian at the center), or by contacting the Gilford Police Department.

Communicating About Safety

All materials received from the main campus in Manchester are posted on the bulletin board in the lobby.

Through contact with the local police department, the center will monitor and take note of any problems in the vicinity of the center.

If it becomes necessary to alert students and staff to an emergency on or near the center, or to a situation that may affect the safety or well being of the students or staff, the center director or her designee will release as immediate and specific information as possible to students and staff and will attempt to answer all questions raised.

Prevention

Listed below are the local emergency numbers:

Gilford Police Dept. 603.527.4737

Gilford Fire Dept. 603.527.4758

Gilford Ambulance 603.524.1545

Security Features

The Laconia Center is staffed Monday through Thursday 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. and Fridays 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. The main entrance to the center is the only one opened for entrance, other doors are for exit only. When the staff leaves at 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, the main entrance is locked. The custodian arrives to clean the center around 10:30 p.m. Each evening upon leaving the custodian secures the center.

Each evening, at different times, the Gilford Police patrol and check the center.

Southern New Hampshire University Drug and Alcohol Policy

In accordance with Federal Law, Southern NH University is in compliance with the Drug-Free School and Communities Act and its Amendments of 1989 and abides by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (Title V-D of P.L. No. 100-690, 5151-5160) which states that it is unlawful to manufacture, distribute, dispense, possess or use a controlled substance in the workplace.

Failure to comply with college policy and the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 constitutes grounds for disciplinary action, referral to civil authorities, referral or requirement of the employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program, and/or to be immediately discharged.

Alcohol may be kept or consumed only by those of legal age (21). All illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia are prohibited.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Education Programs Offered by Southern New Hampshire University

The Student/Staff Assistance Program (SSAP). This committee administers on campus substance abuse and general wellness programs. For more information contact Jet Goldberg at 603.645.9679.

Our primary off-campus referral service is the “New Life Center” which provides a 24-hour “hot line” 603.623.7411. New Life Center offers counseling for a variety of individual and family problems.

Details on these and related programs are published in the brochure, *A Matter of Substance*.

Locally, the Lakes Region General Hospital and other social service agencies offer programs for help.

Sexual Assault Victim Services

Sexual assault is an issue of increasing concern for colleges and universities throughout the country. Southern New Hampshire University does not tolerate assault in any form. Southern New Hampshire University is committed to preventing sexual assaults and to providing prompt and



professional counseling services to all members of the Southern New Hampshire University community.

Aggravated sexual assaults are felonies under New Hampshire law. Harassment and any conduct that threatens to endanger the health and safety of any person on university property are also prohibited by the Southern New Hampshire University Code of Conduct and the Unified College Handbook for Faculty, Professional Staff, and Operational Staff. Those who violate the law and the university’s rules are subject to stringent penalties.

All members of our campus community are responsible for creating and maintaining a safe and wholesome environment. These responsibilities are even greater because we are teachers, students, and employees of a particular kind of community – a university – that depends on a commitment to reason and civility for its very existence.

Resources:

GilfordPoliceDept.527-4737

Sexual Assault Support Services Hotline: 1.888.747.7070

Domestic Violence – A Safe Place: 603.436.7924

Sex Offender List: www.state.nh.us/soupe/securemail/securedisclaimer.html.

Programs Designed to Inform Students and Employees About the Prevention of Crimes

At the Laconia Center security alerts are publicized as situations warrant. Any local programs or seminars are posted on the bulletin board in the hallway by the computer lab.

Annual Crime Statistics Report

Categories	Year 2005	Year 2004	Year 2003	Categories	Year 2005	Year 2004	Year 2003
Murder	0	0	0	Drug Arrest	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	Alcohol Arrest	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	Weapons/Possession Arrest	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0		0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	Disciplinary Referrals			
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	Alcohol Referral	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	Drug Referral	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	Weapons Offenses	0	0	0

Statistics based on period January 1 through December 31 of each previous year in compliance with the Crime Awareness and Security Act of 1990. If you would like more information about safety on the Southern New Hampshire University campus, please contact Adrienne Stevens, director at 603.524.3527