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DUKE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT
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The **Duke University Police Department** works to provide students with a safe and secure environment in which to learn, grow and enjoy their Duke experience. We offer comprehensive services at Duke, including the health system and 7,000 acres of Duke Forest. We operate a 24-hour emergency communications center and have detectives

and police officers commissioned under North Carolina law.

Our role often involves talking with you and others to ensure that Duke remains among the safest of university campuses. This guide, prepared in partnership with Duke students, answers some common questions about the role of Duke police and security.

We are committed to providing fair, equitable and professional services to all. We encourage you to bring to our attention commendable work as well as any questions or concerns.



Aaron Graves

Associate Vice President for Campus Safety and Security

Your voice and opinion matter.

From Crime Investigation



to Property *Engraving*

What **services** are provided by Duke Police?

We respond to calls for assistance and investigate crimes against people and property. We provide police and security services during special events and athletic games, including men's and women's home basketball games. We assist Duke community members with finding resources and assistance they might need during troubling times. And we present crime prevention and safety talks to organizations and engrave personal electronics such as laptops and iPods.

How do I stay informed about **safety issues** on campus?

Check our Web site and sign up for a daily e-mail that includes a list of significant incidents. To become a member of the Duke Police listserv, send an e-mail to majordomo@duke.edu. Leave the subject line blank and type **subscribe policenews** in the first line of the message. Do not include a tag line or signature in the e-mail.

How can I **learn more** about Duke Police?

We encourage you to talk with an officer on patrol or visit the department at **502 Oregon St. on Central Campus**. You can make an appointment to ride along with an officer. Contact us at **(919) 668-3106** to request a safety or crime prevention presentation for your organization. Check our Web site often at www.duke.edu/web/police for crime statistics, safety alerts, the annual Clery security report and other resources.

Police & Security

How do the roles of Duke police and security officers differ at Duke?

Duke police officers make arrests, are armed and issue citations; security officers are not typically armed and do not have police powers. Security officers patrol the university on foot, by bike and vehicle and report suspicious activity to police officers. Duke has its own security squad but also hires private security to supplement staff.

Do police officers patrol residence halls?

Officers do not routinely patrol residence halls, but they may enter residence halls to respond to calls for assistance. They may also enter common areas from time to time to solve problems and deter crime.





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Do Duke police officers patrol **off-campus**?

Yes. Duke has an agreement with the City of Durham that allows Duke police officers to enforce the law in neighborhoods surrounding campus.

Are there **special law enforcement efforts** off-campus?

Yes. From time to time, Durham Police or the North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement division (ALE) may implement an enforcement effort focusing on alcohol or noise. To learn more about city ordinances, visit www.ci.durham.nc.us/departments/clerk/. To learn more about ALE and the state's regulation of alcoholic beverages, visit www.nccrimecontrol.org/.

How can I help stay safe and report suspicious activity?

Be aware of your surroundings, travel with friends and walk or jog in well-lit, populated areas. Lock your residence when you leave and when you are sleeping. Do not prop open DukeCard reader doors. And report suspicious activity by calling 9-1-1 or Duke Police at (919) 684-2444.

What are those telephones mounted with blue strobe lights?

There are more than 500 “help” phones that dial directly to Duke Police. Of those, at least 139 have a blue strobe light. The light is activated when a call is made. These phones allow responding officers to know where you are and that assistance is needed. “Help” phones can be used to request any assistance or to report suspicious activity, unsafe conditions and crimes.



What services are available for students walking late at night?

SafeRides is available to and from on-campus locations (where bus service is not available), and from campus to destinations within the service boundary. Rides are available daily from 5 p.m. to 7 a.m. Call (919) 684-SAFE (7233) or use a “help” telephone.

Duke University Safewalks may be called to request a walking escort. This is a student run organization that provides service on East, West and Central campuses, excluding the medical center. The service operates Thursday through Sunday from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Call (919) 684-WALK (9255).

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Duke Police: What to Expect

How will I be treated if I am a victim of a crime?

It is the policy of the Duke University Police Department to treat all crime victims with dignity, compassion and respect. We will explain the judicial process and notify you of an arrest and court dates. We will also refer you to counselors and other agencies for help in identifying other resources.

Do police officers have rules they follow?

Yes. Members of the department follow written general orders and state and federal laws. They are expected to perform their duties in an efficient, courteous and orderly manner while using patience and good judgment. Members are expected to respect the rights of all individuals and not to discriminate.

What should I do if I believe a Police Department member has been unprofessional?

The department has a formal "professional standards" process for anyone who wishes to file a complaint about conduct or a department operation. Contact the on-duty supervisor or commander and request that a formal complaint report be written. You may call (919) 684-2444, or visit the department at 502 Oregon St. on Central Campus.

Is an officer required to explain why I am being stopped or questioned?

Yes. Duke officers are trained to explain the reason. In some situations, the explanation may not come until an officer has had a chance to assess a situation.



Your Cooperation...



Is Appreciated

Under what **circumstances** might a police officer stop me?

Police officers may stop you to ask questions about a crime or other incident. Your cooperation is appreciated. Officers may not detain you for more than 45 minutes or take you anywhere against your will unless they have enough evidence to arrest you.

If I am suspected of **drunken driving**, do I have to take sobriety tests?

No. But if you refuse breath, blood or performance tests, your driver's license could be suspended. Your refusal may be cited in court proceedings.

When must I present **identification** to police?

You are required to present your DukeCard to any university official, including police and security officers, upon request while on Duke property.

If you are driving a vehicle, you must carry and produce a driver's license and registration upon request.

If you are drinking or carrying alcohol, you must present identification that proves you are legally old enough to drink.

Property, Vehicle & Residence Searches

Can a police officer search **me**?

Yes. If officers have reasonable suspicion that you are carrying a weapon or illegal substance, they are permitted to “pat down” your clothing. Officers may also conduct a “pat down” for their safety or for the safety of others.

Can an officer search **the car** I am driving?

Yes. Officers may search a car without a search warrant if they have probable cause and information that a search will uncover evidence of a crime or illegal substance. If an officer requests permission to search your vehicle, you have the right to say no. If you decline, the officer may request a warrant to search your vehicle.

Can officers search **my room** or off-campus residence?

Under certain circumstances, officers may search your room or home. You can give them consent to search it, or if officers have probable cause of a crime – such as the odor of marijuana – and you do not allow them inside, they may seek a search warrant.



If You Are Arrested

What are my rights if I am arrested?

You are entitled to know why you are being arrested. Officers must tell you the charge, and they must take you before a criminal magistrate, who will rule on the officer's probable cause.

What happens during an arrest?

Once you are placed under arrest, you and your immediate possessions will be searched, which is routine procedure. You might not be read your rights in some situations - unless an officer intends to question you about a crime. You can use a telephone; access to one may not be provided until after you are booked in jail.

What should I do if I have been charged with a crime?

You are encouraged to seek legal advice. An attorney can advise you of options, including the first offenders program or deferred prosecution for those with no previous criminal history. The Office of Judicial Affairs can provide names of several attorneys. E-mail Judicial Affairs at judicial@studentaffairs.duke.edu or call (919) 684-6938.

Duke Police & Judicial Affairs

Could I receive **university discipline** even if I am not cited or arrested on a criminal charge?



Yes. The Office of Judicial Affairs is responsible for holding undergraduate students accountable for academic and non-academic violations of university policy. Judicial Affairs may initiate an investigation that could lead to university discipline even if you are not charged. Graduate students are governed by their individual schools.

How does "amnesty" work?

Disciplinary action for a violation of the university's alcohol policy will not be taken against students for whom medical assistance is sought, or against those who seek medical assistance for themselves or for others, provided that the student or group has not violated other university policies. However, amnesty does not preclude a police officer from taking enforcement action, though enforcement action is not typical in such situations.

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Records
(919) 684-4602

Executive Assistant/
Public Information Officer
(919) 684-2444

Women's Center and Sexual
Assault Support Services
(919) 684-3897 / 681-6882

Durham Police
Non-Emergency
(919) 560-4427

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Detach here.

Please complete this survey and drop this card in a box dedicated for ONLY university mail. University mail boxes are in the Bryan Center and the East Campus post office.

1. Was this guide useful? Why/why not?

2. What other safety information would be helpful to include?

3. What is your biggest campus safety concern?

4. Additional comments?

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IMPORTANT DURHAM TELEPHONE NUMBERS

City of Durham Police Department non-emergency (919) 560-4427

Durham Crisis Response Center (919) 403-6562

Information from the National Crime Prevention Council, National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Officers, Allstate and The Allstate Foundation, and the ACLU of North Carolina was used in this publication.