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Policies for Preparing the Annual Security Report

The Office of Student Development is responsible for preparing this report. Campus Security and local law enforcement provide crime statistics to the Office of Student Development to be included in this report. Other University departments may be consulted as appropriate. Once this report is compiled, it is reviewed by members of the Security, Health, & Safety Committee for approval.

Members of the campus community are encouraged to review this report and familiarize themselves with the policies, procedures, and tips for safe practices. A copy of the report is available online at <http://my.ohiochristian.edu/student-development/policies>. Campus community members will receive an annual email notifying them of the updated report when it is posted. These individuals may also request a paper copy of the report from the Office of Student Development.

Campus Law Enforcement Policy Statements

Authority to Arrest and Relationships

Ohio Christian University maintains a department of Campus Security on their traditional campus. This office has the authority to ask persons for identification, enforce campus bans, and issue traffic citations which are billed to student and staff accounts. The Campus Security Department does not have the authority to arrest. The Pickaway Sherriff Department handles all criminal incidents. Ohio Christian University has an agreement with the Pickaway Sherriff Department which allows the Sherriff Department to issue citations and maintain a presence on campus.

Accurate and Prompt Reporting Policy

Ohio Christian University employs a Department of Campus Security on the traditional Circleville campus for the safety of all members of the University. All members of the University community are expected to report any criminal activity to both local law enforcement and University Security in a prompt and accurate manner. For non-Circleville campuses, members of the community are expected to report to the Campus Security Authority and local law enforcement. This attention to reporting aids potential investigations and helps ensure a safe environment.

Monitoring and Reporting of Criminal Activity off-Campus

The University does not maintain or recognize any type off-campus student organizations. Criminal activity occurring at any remote, satellite, or branch campus of Ohio Christian University should be reported directly to local authorities and a Campus Security Authority.

Reporting Crimes and Other Emergencies

Reporting of Criminal Offenses

All crimes should be reported to local law enforcement. In the event of an emergency on the Circleville Campus, dial 9-1-1. For non-emergencies, individuals may contact the Pickaway Sheriff's Department at (740) 474-2176. To dial from any campus phone, first dial "2-1" and then the desired number.

Campus Security should also be notified of any campus crime. The on-duty staff member can be reached by calling (740) 412-5337. Individuals may also visit the security office on the second floor of the Dean and Diana Hickman Student Center.

Students and other members of the OCU community, not on the Circleville Campus, should notify local law enforcement by dialing 911. They should also report crimes to a Campus Security Authority.

The University recognizes the following authorities as preferred venues to report crime or suspicious activities to:

Circleville campus:

Title	Phone	Location
Campus Security	(740)-412-5337	Dean and Diana Hickman Student Center
Dr Rick Christman, Assistant Provost and VP for Academics and Student Services	(740)-477-7761	Student Development Office
Assistant Vice President of Student Services	(740)-477-7702	Student Development Office
Policy Coordinator	(740)-477-7702 ext. 693	Student Development Office
Athletic Director	(740)-474-8896 ext. 425	Rear of Maxwell Center

Branch and satellite Campus Security Authorities:

Title	Phone	Location Responsible For
Campus Security	1-(740)-412-5337	All
Dr. Shawn Thomas	1-(740)-474-8896 ext. 176	Milner Campus
AGS Director of Student Services	(740)-477-7751	All Satellite AGS Locations

Policies for Timely Warnings

In the event that a serious or continuing threat of a *Clery Act* crime has been reported to campus security authorities or local law enforcement, campus community members will receive a warning of these incidents. This includes incidents such as violent crimes, crimes against persons, or threats to persons or property.

Timely Warnings will be issued by the Office of Student Development, Campus Security, or the University Provost's office. Warnings will be disseminated by email, campus postings, and/or the University's Personalized Emergency Notification Network (PENN) system.

The PENN system delivers a recorded voice message to registered users via their phone. Individuals may opt in to the system by registering their phone number at my.ohiochristian.edu/student-development/personal-emergency-notification-network-penn. University officials may also use the PENN system to deliver warning via text message, so it is recommended that individuals register a cell phone number rather than a landline whenever possible.

Voluntary Confidential Reporting Policy

Ohio Christian University employs a professional chaplain as part of the Office of Student Development. The chaplain is not required to report crimes disclosed by their counselees. He is encouraged to inform individuals of the correct reporting procedures. The Chaplain is required to report crimes against minors.

Some faculty and staff may be ordained ministers or licensed counselors. Unless employed by the University specifically as a chaplain or counselor, this exemption does not apply to them and they still must report any crimes disclosed to them.

Students who serve as student chaplains must report any crime disclosed to them. This exemption does not apply to them.

Because Ohio maintains certain public records laws, Ohio Christian University is unable to provide voluntary confidential reporting of criminal offenses for the inclusion of the annual crime statistics. Members of the Ohio Christian University community are encouraged to file official police reports to provide for the safety of the community. Any member of the University community who is aware of a crime is mandated to report this crime. Procedures for reporting crimes are found on page 3 of this document.

Program Policy Statements

A campus security presentation is given to all incoming students during a mandatory orientation session. This presentation addresses services Campus Security provides for the

safety of the campus body and is provided on a bi-annual basis. This training includes crime prevention tips as well as ways that students can help keep the campus safe by reporting crimes and suspicious activities and being aware of their surroundings

Emergency Notification and Evacuation

Emergency Notification Policy

Campus community members will receive an emergency notification for situations that pose an immediate threat to their health or safety. This includes, but is not limited to, serious contagious illnesses, tornadoes and severe weather, gas leaks, bomb threats, or armed intruders.

In the event of a campus emergency that places members of the community in immediate danger; emergency messages will immediately be sent by phone and/or email messages. Warnings will be disseminated through campus email and the University's Personalized Emergency Notification Network (PENN) system. Process for signing up for PENN is located in this document in the section titled "Policies for Timely Warnings" on page 4.

Conformation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation, the crafting of emergency messages, and the initiation of the PENN system will fall to Dr. Rick Christman, Assistant Provost and Vice President of Student Services of the University and Mike Fracassa, Vice President of Operations and Crisis Management Director. If an emergency situation is discovered by a member of the OCU community, they should immediately dial 911 and then contact campus security at (740) - 412-5337. Campus security will then immediately contact the Vice President of Operations. The Vice President of Operations in communication with the Assistant Provost and Vice President of Student Services and any emergency services including in the Pickaway County Sherriff, Circleville Fire Department, Pickaway County Health Department or any other government agency deemed necessary, will confirm that the emergency reported is valid as quickly and safely as possible through the emergency and campus personnel, such as campus security, Rezlife staff, or facilities staff. This does not preclude the immediate activation of the PENN system. If the emergency is confirmed the Assistant Provost and Vice President of Student Services will craft an emergency voice call, and/or text message, and/or email to all members of the OCU community. This message will contain instructions including whether or not to relocate, stay put, shelter-in-place, avoid areas of campus, and pertinent information regarding the emergency that is necessary for the safety of the community. This message will be created with consult from government officials if necessary and will take into account the safety of the campus community. This message will immediately be sent via voice and/or text message and by University email.

Upon confirmation of an emergency situation, University officials will without delay and taking into account the safety of the community will activate emergency procedures to alert the community. The only exception is if the Assistant Provost and Vice President of Student Services and Crisis Management Director deem notification of the situation to pose

harm to the efforts to assist a victim, contain, respond to or mitigate the emergency in their professional judgement or by the advice of the Incident Commander.

The following is a list of titles and organizations that are responsible for emergency procedures. Ohio Christian University does not maintain a campus police or fire department. Ultimately, the management of any crisis situation is handled by the appropriate government agency.

Ohio Christian University Personnel:

Dr. Mark Smith- President of the University

Duties: Media Relations

Dr. Rick Christman- Assistant Provost and Vice President of Student Services

Duties: Emergency situation liaison between the Crisis Management Team and members of the OCU Community

Mike Fracassa- Vice President of Operations and Crisis Management Director

Duties: Confirming emergency and coordinating University response

Campus Security- OCU security team in charge of monitoring the campus

Duties: Responsible for alerting Vice President of Operations to any emergency reported to them

Outside Agencies:

Incident Commander- Typically the Fire Chief or Captain or other government official such as county sheriff or health commissioner

Pickaway County Sheriff Department- Law enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the Circleville Campus

Circleville Fire Department- Fire Department with jurisdiction over the Circleville Campus

Pickaway County Health Department- Local health department

The University President or his appointed stand-in is the only authorized spokesperson for the University in the case of an emergency. He is charged with the communication of the emergency to the media and determining what pertinent information to release to parents of students. The contact to students' parents will be the responsibility of the Assistant Provost and Vice President of Student Services. Further emergency communication to surrounding areas is the responsibility of the appropriate government agency and the Incident Commander.

Emergency Drills, Testing, and Evacuation Procedures

The University will hold annual announced tabletop tests of its emergency response and evacuation procedures. This test will contain drills for testing the PENN Alert system, building lockdown procedures, and coordinated exercises with a representative of a government agency. At least one representative from each building must be involved in the

tabletop exercise. Additionally, residence halls will hold at least one emergency evacuation drill each year which can be either announced or unannounced. Resident Directors will submit reports to the Vice President of Operations evaluating the successfulness and addressing any potential problems that arose during testing.

The University document “OCU Crisis Management Plan” will be distributed yearly in conjunction with the tabletop exercise through an email and also will be made available at <http://my.ohiochristian.edu/student-development/policies>.

The Department of Operations will document each test with a description of the exercise, the date, time and whether it was announced or unannounced. Test documentation will be kept on record for seven years.

University Policy

Missing Student Notification Policy

If a member of the OCU community has reason to believe that a student who is a resident of university-run housing is missing, they should immediately report this Campus Security at 740-412-5337, or the Pickaway County Sheriff at 740-474-2176. Campus Security staff includes campus investigators. The University is currently revising staff member training to insure that these individuals have received proper training to handle such reports. Any individual to receive information on a potential missing student should immediately direct that information to Campus Security. Should Security be unavailable, contact the Pickaway County Sherriff.

Students may identify confidentially on the Consent for Release of Information form, which can be found in Student Development, an individual to be contacted by the university if the student is determined to be missing. The University will notify the confidential contact within 24 hours of determining the student to be missing. This confidential contact will be available only to authorized campus authorities and law enforcement during the investigation. Students', who are under the age of 18 and not emancipated, parents will be notified immediately if that student has been determined to be missing.

If notified, Campus Security will create a missing person report and begin an investigation. If a student has been determined to be missing for 24 hours, Campus Security will contact the Pickaway County Sherriff's office within 24 hours of determining that said student was missing. This does prevent Campus Security from contacting law enforcement before the student has been missing for a full 24 hours. If a student is under 18 years of age and not emancipated, the parents/guardians and designated contact individual(s) will be notified of the student's missing status within 24 hours of that determination.

Security of and Access to Campus Facilities Policy

Residence halls on the Circleville campus are locked during the academic year. Resident students are granted access to their specific hall via their student identification card. Resident students are also issued a key to their room.

Academic and office buildings are unlocked during normal business hours. Select buildings have extended hours for evening classes or activities. University employees monitor access to these buildings after normal business hours.

As part of their rounds, Campus Security officers check for potential indoor and outdoor security and safety problems and report any issues to the Chief of Security for resolution.

Drug, Alcohol, and Substance Abuse Policy

The possession, sale, and/or use of alcoholic beverages of any description, non-medical narcotics, or hallucinogenic drugs, including marijuana, is completely and strictly prohibited on the campus of Ohio Christian University, denominational property, or by any student of the University. Those in violation risk immediate dismissal and will be subject to civil penalty as well. The University will cooperate with government agencies enforcing state and federal laws pertaining to underage drinking and illegal drugs.

All tobacco is prohibited on the University campus and denominational grounds at all times. It is expected that any student who has a habit of tobacco use will make every effort to quit. Counseling and other assistance is available. The University reserves the right to enforce accountability guidelines when deemed necessary.

The following is a summary of Ohio State Laws pertaining to substance abuse. Dealing a controlled substance is a felony. Alcohol possession or illegal consumption for minors is a misdemeanor offence. The University will fully cooperate with law enforcement, if a member of the University community is apprehended violating drug or alcohol laws on university property, or participating in a University activity. Violating state or federal laws regarding alcohol or drugs is a violation of University policy and will be handled in a separate disciplinary manner by the University.

Ohio Laws

This list is not meant to be an exhaustive list of law regarding controlled substances.

Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 2925.02 provides that no person shall knowingly corrupt another with drugs by inducing or forcing them to use a controlled	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Mandatory imprisonment from 6 months to 10 years, depending upon amount and type of drug involved and history of previous drug
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substance.	abuse offenses.
ORC 2925.03 provides that no person shall knowingly "traffic" in controlled or illicit substances, including marijuana. Trafficking includes selling, offering to sell, delivering, distributing, preparing, cultivating, and manufacturing of controlled substances.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Mandatory fines range from \$100 to \$20,000, depending on offense and drug involved. Mandatory jail sentences range from 6 months to 10 years.
ORC 2925.11 provides that no person shall knowingly obtain, possess, or use a controlled substance.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Drug abuse involving amounts of marijuana less than 100 grams carries a penalty of \$100. Other violations involving marijuana result in mandatory jail terms of not more than 8 years and mandatory fines of \$15,000. Drug abuse offenses involving other drugs may result in jail terms of up to 10 years and fines of \$20,000.
ORC 2925.12 provides that no person shall make obtain, possess, or use drug abuse instruments.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: A first offence can carry a jail term of up to 90 days and fines of \$750.
ORC 2925.14 provides that no person shall knowingly use, possess with purpose to use, sell, manufacture or advertise drug paraphernalia.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Depending upon the facts, imprisonment up to 6 months and fines up to \$1,000.
ORC 2925.31 provides, except for lawful research, clinical, medical, dental, or veterinary purposes, no person with intent to induce intoxication or similar effect, shall obtain, possess, or use a harmful intoxicant.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Up to \$1,000 and 6 months in jail.
ORC 2925.37 provides that no person shall knowingly possess, make, sell, or deliver counterfeit controlled substances.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Depending upon the facts, the penalty can be up to 180 days in jail and a \$1,000 fine, but aggravating circumstances can cause the offense to become a felony of the fourth degree with prison terms between 6-18 months and a fine up to \$5,000.
ORC 4301.63 provides that no person under the age of 21 years shall purchase beer or intoxicating liquor.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: A fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 may be imposed. The court may order that the fine be paid by the performance of public work at a reasonable hourly rate established by the court and shall designate the time within which the public work shall be completed.
ORC 4301.631 provides that no underage person can purchase low alcohol beverages, that no person may furnish low alcohol beverages to an underage person, and that no person shall allow underage persons to consume low alcohol beverages on his/her property.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Punishments for violating ORC 4301.631 range from fines of \$25 to \$250 and imprisonment up to 30 days.
ORC 4301.633 provides that no person shall knowingly furnish any false information as to the name, age, or other identification of any person under 21 years of age for the purpose of obtaining beer or intoxicating liquor for a person under 21 years of age, by purchase or as a gift.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Misdemeanor of the first degree. The maximum penalty is imprisonment for not more than 6 months and a \$1,000 fine.
ORC 4301.634 provides that no person under the age of 21 years shall knowingly show or give false information concerning his name, age, or other identification for the purpose of purchasing or otherwise obtaining beer or intoxicating liquor in any place in this state where beer	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Misdemeanor of the first degree. The maximum penalty is imprisonment for not more than 6 months and a \$1,000 fine.

or intoxicating liquor is sold under a permit issued by the department of liquor control.	
ORC 4301.64 prohibits the consumption of any beer or intoxicating liquor in a motor vehicle.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Misdemeanor of the fourth degree. The maximum penalty is imprisonment for not more than 30 days and a \$250 fine.
ORC 4301.69(A) prohibits selling beer or intoxicating liquor to a person under the age of 21 years, or buying it for or furnishing it to such a person.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Misdemeanor. The maximum penalty is imprisonment for not more than 6 months and a fine of not less than \$500 and no more than \$1,000.
ORC 4301.69(E) provides that no underage person shall knowingly possess or consume any beer or intoxicating liquor, in any public or private place, unless he is accompanied by a parent, spouse, or legal guardian, who is not an underage person, or unless the beer or intoxicating liquor is given for medical or religious purposes.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Misdemeanor of the first degree. The maximum penalty is imprisonment for not more than 6 months and a \$1,000 fine.
ORC 4511.19 prohibits any person from driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol and/or any drug of abuse.	PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Misdemeanor of the first degree. The maximum penalty is imprisonment for not more than 6 months and a \$1,000 fine, in addition to license suspension. Penalties for repeat offenders can result in up to 5 years in prison.

Drug & Alcohol Abuse Prevention Programs

The use of drugs and alcohol are prohibited by students, staff and faculty of Ohio Christian University. Students who struggle with issues that violate this policy are referred to the reconciliation process. A program helping to prevent drug and alcohol abuse is being enhanced and will be provided to all members of the OCU community through an online portal and to students at mandatory orientation sessions bi-annually.

Reconciliation Process

Students, staff or faculty who struggle with issues that violate the Student Handbook are encouraged to seek support and help. Knowing that many students who struggle with issues may fear asking for help due to potential consequences, OCU has established a Reconciliation Process. This policy allows students who want to receive help and support to work through these issues and accept accountability for these behaviors without going through the normal discipline process. Those students who seek help from the Office of Student Development receive appropriate assistance. Students requesting help are asked to abstain from the behavior and may be asked to sign a behavioral agreement and/or required to seek professional help. Students must request this before any disciplinary confrontation addressing the specific inappropriate behavior(s) occurs. Typical disciplinary proceedings are carried out by staff members from the Residence Life program, Campus Security, and University Administration or any person specifically

designated on their behalf. Students also must be honest, cooperative, compliant with amnesty requirements, and demonstrate a true desire to change. Confidentiality related to this is fully detailed in the Informed Consent Form, which is available with the Director of Student Life.

Amnesty Policy

Because students may be fearful of asking for help, the University has established a Reconciliation Process. Through this process, community members can admit struggles, accept accountability for them, and receive the help and support needed to work through issues. If help is requested, members will be asked to abstain from the behavior and may be asked to sign a behavioral agreement and/or to seek professional help. When students request to be part of this process, they will not be disciplined for the behavior(s) requested Amnesty for, which occurred prior to beginning the process, but you will have to embrace the change process. The University will help members through counseling, mentoring, discipleship programs, accountability software, behavioral agreements and more. Members who wish to have more information on the amnesty process must speak directly with the Director of Student Life or Human Resources.

Disclosure of Results of Disciplinary Proceedings Policy Statement

Ohio Christian University, will upon written request, disclose to the alleged victim of a crime or non-forcible sex offense the report of the results of any disciplinary proceeding conducted by such institution against a student who is the alleged perpetrator of such crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of such crime or offense, the next of kin of such victim will be provided the results upon written request.

Sex Offense Policy Statements

Ohio Christian University prohibits the crimes of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. These crimes are taken seriously by the University. The University will take every effort to prevent these crimes, protect the victims of these crimes and bring perpetrators of these crimes to justice.

Applicable Definitions

Consent: clear verbal or non-verbal communication, freely and actively given, that is mutually understood as willingness to participate in a sexual activity and the conditions of that sexual activity. This communication must be continued throughout the sexual activity, and any individual may at any time withdrawal consent for further sexual activity with clear communication to the other party. An individual's consent to one sexual activity cannot be seen as consent to other sexual activity. Consent must be obtained for willingness to engage in, and the conditions of, each sexual activity. This communication is predicated upon the ability of the individual to give this consent. Individuals who are under the age of consent, individuals with a mental disability, or individuals incapacitated by

drugs or alcohol cannot give consent. Lack of communication, lack of resistance, consent obtained through fraud, force or coercion, or previous consent between parties for sexual activity cannot constitute as consent.

Dating Violence: abusive behavior, usually but not always involving an intimate relationship, which is used by one partner to gain or maintain control over another partner. Dating 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 the other person. The definition, protocols, and practices of dating vary; however, for the purposes of these grievance procedures dating is defined as people engaged in activities as a form of courtship. Whether there was such a relationship will be gauged by its length, type and frequency of interaction. Definition of domestic violence include, but are not limited to [Ohio Revised Code Title 29, Chapter 2919.25](#) & Georgia Code [O.C.G.A. TITLE 19 Chapter 13](#)

Domestic Violence: a pattern of abusive behavior, usually involving an intimate relationship, that is used by one partner to gain or maintain control over another 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 the other partner. Domestic violence may include dating violence based on the type and frequency of interaction of the relationship. Victims of such violence can seek orders of protection from both the family and criminal courts. Definition of domestic violence include, but are not limited to [Ohio Revised Code Title 29, Chapter 2919.25](#) & Georgia Code [O.C.G.A. TITLE 19 Chapter 13](#).

Sexual Activity: *Sexual conduct* as defined by law is vaginal intercourse between a male and female; anal intercourse, fellatio, and cunnilingus between persons regardless of sex; the insertion, however slight, of any part of the body or any instrument, apparatus, or other object into the vaginal or anal opening of another. Penetration, however slight, is sufficient to complete vaginal or anal intercourse. *Sexual contact* is the touching of an erogenous zone of another, including the thigh, genitals, buttock, pubic region, or, if the person is a female, a breast for the purpose of sexually arousing or gratifying either person.

Sexual Assault: Sexual assault and sexual violence refer to physical sexual acts perpetrated against a person's will, or when a person is incapable of giving consent due to the use of drugs or alcohol, or is unable to give consent due to a disability. OCU defines rape and sexual abuse as follows:

Rape: the carnal knowledge of a person forcibly and/or against that person's will, or not forcibly or against that person's will, where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity. If a person engages in non-consensual sexual intercourse due to physical force, coercion or threat (actual or implied) the act is considered rape. A person who is asleep, unconscious, physically helpless or impaired due to drug or alcohol consumption, mentally incapacitated and/or disabled, is considered unable to consent.

Sexual Abuse: any actual or attempted non-consensual sexual activity, including, but not limited to attempted intercourse, sexual touching, and certain forms of exhibitionism. These definitions include, but are not limited to, any form of non-consensual intercourse and/or sexual activity, actual or attempted, by person(s) known or unknown to the victim. Non-consensual activity includes, but is not limited to, situations in which the victim is unable to consent because he/she is mentally incapacitated, is physically helpless due to drug or alcohol consumption, or is unconscious. Definitions presented above also include but are not limited to those found in [Ohio Revised Code Title 29, Chapter 2907](#) & Georgia Code [O.C.G.A. § 16-6-1, O.C.G.A. § 16-6-22.1, & O.C.G.A. § 16-6-22.2](#).

Stalking: a pattern of repeated and unwanted attention, harassment, contact, or any other course of conduct directed at a specific person that makes that person afraid or concerned for his or her safety. Stalking occurs by frightening, unwanted communication by any means, including by phone, mail or e-mail, or internet social networks. Threats may be direct or indirect, and conduct may include following or writing to a victim. Definition of stalking include, but are not limited to [Ohio Revised Code Title 29, Chapter 2903.11](#) & Georgia Code [O.C.G.A. TITLE 16 Chapter 5 Article 7](#).

Bystander Intervention

If you think someone is at risk for sexual assault or any of the other offenses mentioned in this policy, consider it an emergency and get involved. Do not wait for someone else to act.

- Be honest and direct.
- Do not be aggressive or use violence.
- Keep yourself safe.
- Get help from other bystanders, if necessary.
- Call the police if a situation becomes too serious.

Risk Reduction and Prevention Programs

The University is currently revising their risk reduction and prevention programs to better serve the University community. This revision includes programming available to both students and employees of the University that will help members of the community reduce their risk for sexual offenses, how to help victims of sexual offenses, and what resources the University provides.

Reporting Procedures and Policies

If a student is a victim of a sex offense, every effort should be made to find a safe location, receive any necessary medical treatment, and preserve forensic evidence. Preserving forensic evidence may assist in proving a criminal offense occurred or may be helpful in obtaining a protective order.

The University strongly encourages victims to report sex offense crimes in a timely manner. Reports can be made directly to local law enforcement or Campus Security.

Students may also notify any Resident Director or the Assistant Vice President of Student Services of a sex offense. These University personnel can assist the student in making a report to law enforcement and will do so upon request. Seeking assistance does not mandate that a student file a report, although the University does encourage students to do so. If the student chooses not to file an official police report, the student is still able to pursue University proceedings against the alleged offender.

Ohio Christian University contracts the services of a clinical counselor who can be contacted at sopcc@ohiochristian.edu. The counseling office is located on the second floor of the Student Center. Additionally, staff in the Office of Student Development can provide a list of area counselors should a student wish to pursue support outside of the University. Students may also contact the Sexual Assault Response Network of Central Ohio using their hotline at (614) 267-7020.

The University will provide written notification to students and employees about existing counseling, health, mental health, victim advocacy, legal assistance, visa and immigration assistance, student financial aid, and other service available for victims within the institution and in the community.

A victim of an alleged sex offense may also request a change to academic, transportation, working and living situations as well as other protective measures. The student or employee will receive written notification for options and how to request changes to these situations. The University will make every effort to comply with those requests if options are reasonably available regardless of the victim's decision to file a police report.

If a sexual offense is reported to the University, regardless of the location of the sex offense, the student or employee will be given written notification of their rights and options by the University.

Confidential Sexual Offense Reporting

Police reports are public records in Ohio. Ohio law requires the reporting of crimes, and University policy dictates community members report any crime reported to them. For these reasons, the University is unable to provide a way to confidentially report crimes in the Clery Crime Statistics. If a member of the University community desires to make a confidential report, medical professionals and clergy are not required to report crimes disclosed to them.

Reporting a crime may require disclosing sensitive information. This sensitive information not included in the police report is protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). The University will maintain the confidentiality of this information during the course of disciplinary proceedings to the extent that maintaining the confidentiality does not impair the course of the investigation or to provide the victim with any accommodations or protective measures.

Disciplinary Proceedings

If an accuser wishes to pursue University disciplinary proceedings against the accused, the accuser may file a Title IX complaint with David Pennington, Title IX Coordinator at TitleIX@ohiochristian.edu.

Serious incidences of student misconduct, including those which may lead to suspension and/or dismissal, shall be referred by the Director of Regulatory Affairs and the Assistant Provost and Vice President of Student Services to the Student Life Committee for disposition. The proceedings will be prompt, fair, and impartial from the initial investigation to the final result of the disciplinary proceedings. These proceeding will be conducted by officials who, at minimum, receive annual training on issues related to dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and on how to conduct an investigation and hearing process that protect the safety of victim and promote accountability. The Student Life Committee proceedings, barring any extraordinary circumstance, shall be completed within 60 days of the original complaint being filed with the Title IX Coordinator. Any appeals shall be settled within 30 days of the appeal being filed.

The Student Life Committee shall assume responsibility for preliminary investigation of the alleged misconduct. The matter shall be discussed thoroughly with the accused and the accuser and a thorough effort made to collect all relevant information in the compilation of the facts of the case. The chairperson of the Student Life Committee shall determine the time and place for the hearing and shall inform the members of the committee.

The accused and the accuser shall be informed in writing by the Assistant Provost and Vice President for Services of the following:

- The date, time and place of hearing before Student Life Committee
- The specific charges to be considered.
- The person's opportunities to have an advisor appear with him or her. (The advisor and is not to act as counsel for the accused. They must request permission from the Chairman to speak on behalf of the student. The chairman is not required to give clearance. The student is not entitled to representation at the hearing by an attorney at law).
- The students' opportunity to confront or question witnesses.
- The accused student and all parties involved are warned that threats made toward a witness or any person involved in the case are in violation of civil law and will be taken seriously. Law enforcement authorities will be called immediately.
- The student's right of appeal

The process of the Student Life Committee Hearing is as follows: The primary purpose of the hearing is to ascertain the facts of the matter and to render a reasonable and just disciplinary decision. The charges of alleged student misconduct shall be presented by the Assistant Provost and Vice President for Student Services and/or the Director of Student Life. The accused and the accuser, the Assistant Provost and Vice President for Student

Services, and the committee shall have the right to call witnesses and to question witnesses brought by another party. The Chairperson of the Committee may limit the number of witnesses to be called. All students and witnesses called by the committee are required to answer questions posed by the committee in keeping with the stated purpose of the hearing. For an incident of alleged misconduct involving more than one student, the committee reserves the right to consider the cases jointly or separately, subject to the request of the student for a private hearing.

Only committee members have the right to be present during committee deliberations and decision making. The decision and the institutional procedures to appeal the result of the proceeding of the committee shall be reported to the accused and the accuser simultaneously by the Committee Chair in writing within three working days of the rendering of the decision by the committee. The University will use the preponderance of evidence standard. That is, if 51% of the evidence points to a conclusion, that is enough to convict in the disciplinary proceedings.

Disciplinary decisions made by the Student Life Committee may be appealed by either the accused or the accuser to the Administrative Council, provided that the appeal has been filed, in writing, in the Office of the President within one working week of receiving written notification of the decision of the Student Life Committee. The result of an appeal will be given in written notification to the accuser and the accused. The results of the Administrative Counsel Hearing is final.

Once the campus disciplinary proceedings are complete, the University has the right to impose sanctions ranging from campus restriction, fines or work detail, campus probation, early curfew, suspension, behavioral education sessions, counseling, to immediate dismissal.

The University may prohibit contact between the accuser and the accused and may, depending of the severity of the crime, provide alternative methods of protection including changes in housing.

Registered Sex Offender Policy

A general list of local sex offenders may be found at:

<http://www.homefacts.com/offenders/Ohio/Pickaway-County.html>.

Searches for particular individuals may be conducted at:

<http://www.drc.ohio.gov/offendersearch/search.aspx>.

Crime Statistics Information

Circleville Campus	Year	On-Campus	On-Campus Residence Halls	Non-Campus Property	Public Property
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses, Forcible	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses, Non-Forcible	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Robbery	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Burglary	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	4	1	0	0
	2014	3	8	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	1	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Arson	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law: Arrests	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law: Disciplinary Referrals	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Drug Law: Arrests	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	1	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Drug Law: Disciplinary Referrals	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	1	0	0	0
Illegal Weapons Possession: Arrests	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Illegal Weapons Possession: Disciplinary Referrals	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Stalking	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	1	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Domestic Violence	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	2	0	0	0
Above crimes and/or larceny, simple assault, intimidation and vandalism based on race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity/national origin, disability, gender identity, or national origin	2012	0	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0	0

Milner Campus *No on-campus student housing	Year	On-Campus	Non-Campus Property	Public Property
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Sex Offenses, Forcible	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Sex Offenses, Non-Forcible	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Robbery	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Burglary	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Arson	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Liquor Law: Arrests	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Liquor Law: Disciplinary Referrals	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Drug Law: Arrests	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Drug Law: Disciplinary Referrals	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Illegal Weapons Possession: Arrests	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Illegal Weapons Possession: Disciplinary Referrals	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Stalking	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Domestic Violence	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Dating Violence	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0
Above crimes and/or larceny, simple assault, intimidation and vandalism based on race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity/national origin, disability, gender identity, or national origin	2012	0	0	0
	2013	0	0	0
	2014	0	0	0