

## **Campus Safety Plan**

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### **Safety is foundational to the University of Florida's operational excellence and campus experience.**

Through a coordinated effort across the University of Florida Police Department, Physical Security, and Emergency Management, we provide integrated public safety services that support the university's academic, research, and healthcare missions.

From 24/7 police services to security monitoring, infrastructure investments, emergency preparedness planning, and large-scale event coordination, we focus on prevention, rapid response, and continuous improvement. Regular training, exercises, and real-time emergency communications strengthen our readiness and resilience.

Public safety at the University of Florida is sustained through strong internal and external partnerships. We collaborate with campus leadership, local and state agencies, healthcare partners, and community stakeholders to align planning, share intelligence, and ensure coordinated response across all environments.

Through strategic investment, operational oversight, and collaboration, we remain committed to providing a safe, secure, and well-managed campus environment where our community can thrive.

### **Explore the programs, infrastructure, and resources that support safety across the UF campus.**

Learn more about the programs, tools, and resources that support safety across our campus community:

#### **Public Safety Infrastructure**

We maintain a comprehensive network of safety infrastructure across campus, including patrol operations, access control systems, security cameras, emergency phones, lighting, and facility security enhancements. These layered measures provide visible presence, rapid response capability, and continuous monitoring to support a safe campus environment.

- Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)
- Lighting
- [Blue Light Phones](#)
- Walking paths
- Classroom door locks
- Card access
- Secure In Place buttons
- License Plate Readers

## **Campus and Community Engagement**

Safety is a shared responsibility. Our teams actively engage with students, faculty, staff, and community partners through outreach programs, safety education, training sessions, and special events. These efforts foster trust, increase awareness, and promote a culture of prevention and preparedness.

- Rape Aggression Defense (RAD), radKIDS, and GUARD programs
- Social media (@UFPublicSafety), featuring year-round safety campaigns
- Bike and e-scooter registration initiatives
- Student Community Oriented Police Effort (SCOPE) sessions in residence halls
- Preview and orientation presentations on pedestrian safety, distracted walking, and nighttime visibility
- Community safety fairs and tabling events, including an annual Back to School safety fair in conjunction with FDOT, to raise awareness of crosswalk, pedestrian and driver safety
- FDOT Target Zero collaboration promoting zero traffic fatalities
- Pedestrian and micromobility safety education (crosswalk use, right-of-way, distracted travel, regulations, visibility, and shared roadway responsibility)
- Building Emergency Coordinators program
- Cookies/Coffee with a Cop
- Annual Campus Safety Walk

## **Technology**

We leverage advanced security technologies to enhance situational awareness and response. From integrated camera systems and credential access platforms to emergency notification tools and safety apps, technology plays a vital role in strengthening campus safety and improving communication during critical situations.

- Police Communications Center
- Emergency Operations Center
- Body Worn Cameras
- [UF Alert System](#)
- Security cameras
- Alarm monitoring
- Software integrations
- [GatorSafe App](#)

## **Accreditation & Professional Standards**

Our public safety departments adhere to rigorous accreditation processes and nationally recognized professional standards. Ongoing training, policy review, and continuous

improvement efforts ensure accountability, transparency, and the highest level of service to the campus community.

- Accreditation
  - UFPD: Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation, International Association of College Law Enforcement Administration, Florida Telecommunications Accreditation
  - StormReady University
  - Gold-Level Bicycle Friendly University
- Certifications
  - UFPD: State-Certified Sworn Law Enforcement Officer, Public Safety Telecommunicator
  - DEM: Florida Professional Emergency Manager
  - PS: Certified Protection Professional

## Resources

We provide accessible safety resources to support informed decision-making and personal preparedness. These include safety escorts, training opportunities, emergency guides, reporting tools, and real-time communication systems designed to keep the campus community informed and supported. Additional University resources are available through [U Matter, We Care](#).

- [Office of Victim Services](#)
- [Co-Responder Program](#)
- [Behavioral Concerns and Threat Assessment Team](#)

## Planning and Reporting

Through comprehensive emergency planning and transparent reporting, we prepare for a wide range of potential incidents. Regular exercises, after-action reviews, and required safety reporting help strengthen resilience, guide continuous improvement, and ensure compliance with federal and state regulations.

- [UFPD Annual Report](#)
- [Annual UF Alert Report](#)
- [Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan \(CEMP\)](#)
- Gator Tactical Response Against Crime (GatorTRAC) – Monthly meeting that provides guidance on the allocation of UFPD resources on campus, tailored to the types of offenses and their corresponding locations and times.