



University Police Welcomes New and Returning Students Beginning the Fall 2010 Semester

University Police would like to welcome you to SUNY Canton and to take this opportunity to introduce ourselves. University Police is the law enforcement agency for SUNY Canton. We provide year-round, 24-hours a day, coverage to the campus. We are responsible for the enforcement of all state and local laws as well as the rules and regulations of the college. University Police Officers are police officers appointed by the State of New York with authority to make arrests, issue traffic summons, execute warrants, conduct criminal investigations, and issue parking violations. But, we do much more than that.

The department's mission is to meet the specialized needs of the campus community. To accomplish this mission we are engaged in many unique policing endeavors. We are actively involved in community policing. The department takes an active role in residence life by attending Resident Assistant staff meetings in the residence halls. Further, we conduct educational programs for the campus community on topics such as Crime Prevention; Operation Identification; Zero-Tolerance for Drugs and Alcohol; Personal Safety; Rape Prevention; and Drug Identification for Resident Assistants.

To further meet the needs of our campus constituents, University Police provides many services not ordinarily associated with a law enforcement agency. Officers provide escorts to enhance personal safety. To assist motorists, we loan gas, jumper cables, battery booster packs and even provide assistance with vehicle lock-outs. The department conducts state mandated fire drills, inspects fire safety equipment and building evacuation plans. We make emergency notifications to students, faculty and staff. Our office maintains the campus "lost and found" and we provide a host of other services too numerous to mention.

All University Police Officers attend a 19-week Basic Police Academy. In addition to rigorous mandated training in the areas of Law, Criminal Procedure, and Defensive Tactics, University Police Officers are trained in CPR/AED and First Aid, Criminal Investigation and Rape Prevention. All University Police Officers are required to have a minimum of two years of college education. Most officers at SUNY Canton have completed four years of education.

You can contact University Police by stopping by our office located on the south end of the campus adjacent to the Cooper Service Complex. We also can be contacted by phone at 315-386-7777. We would like to hear from you. In the event of an emergency, we can be reached as described above, by using any of the Blue Light Emergency Phones strategically located around campus or by dialing 911 on any campus telephone.

Thank you for choosing SUNY Canton for your education. The University Police Department looks forward to serving you!