

TIMELY WARNING POLICY STATEMENT

PURPOSE

The University of Miami's Timely Warning Policy is intended to aid in the prevention of crimes posing a serious or continued threat to the community.

POLICY

In accordance with the Clery Act, the University of Miami will keep the campus community informed by providing timely warning of crimes occurring on or near campus that represent a serious or continued threat to students and employees, once reported to the University of Miami Police or Security Departments, as specified in the Clery Act – 20 USC 1092.

DEFINITIONS

Campus Security Authority - Campus Security Authorities include anyone with security responsibility, significant responsibility for student and campus activities, or those with a duty to take action or respond to particular issues on behalf of the institution including, but not limited to, the following:

- President
- Provost, Vice Provost
- Vice Presidents, Assistant/Associate Vice Presidents
- Deans, Assistant/Associate Deans
- Police and security officers
- Housing area directors
- Resident advisors and security assistants
- Athletics director
- Coaches
- Director of Facilities
- Directors of Financial or Business Operations
- Director of Marine Operations
- Director of Communications and Advancement
- Emergency Preparedness and Security Managers

Clery Act Crimes: Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter, Negligent Manslaughter, Sex Offenses (Forcible and Non-forcible), Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Motor Vehicle Theft, Arson and Hate Crimes as defined by the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook.

PROCEDURE

Crimes committed on or near University of Miami campuses should be reported to the following:

Coral Gables campus: the University of Miami Police Department.

Miller School of Medicine campus and related satellite clinics and properties: the Miller School of Medicine Security Department and local police.

Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences: the Emergency Preparedness and Security Manager and local police.

For all other UM locations: the University of Miami Police Department and local police.

Any campus security authority who observes or receives information regarding one of the Clery Act Crimes must immediately report the information to the University of Miami police or security department on the appropriate campus. Any of these reported crimes posing a serious or continued threat to the community will be called to the attention of the senior most police or security official available on that campus or their designee.

Although federal regulations provide no clear guidelines on the length of time between the receipt of a crime report and the dissemination of timely warnings, the University will take no more time than necessary to analyze the threat and disseminate the warning. Included in the analysis will be the nature of the crime, an assessment of continued danger, and the possible risk of compromising or aiding law enforcement efforts.

Once it is determined that a timely warning is necessary, the senior most police or security official or their designee may consult with the appropriate Campus Security Authority for the content, and extent of distribution (campus of occurrence or all campuses). The warning will be disseminated to the entire campus community via distribution list e-mail. Other mediums of communication may be utilized in order to expedite delivery.

Contract administrators, project managers and others who have a responsibility for contractors and vendors on campus will immediately convey the warning to respective contractors and vendors.

EXEMPTIONS – Pastoral and professional counselors are exempt from the federal reporting requirements; as a result, campus security authorities may not be aware of incidents that are reported to these individuals.