East Georgia State College Statesboro Campus

ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT

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From the President
To the East Georgia State College Community –

It is up to each one of us to help foster a secure and supportive environment at East Georgia State College — an environment where individuals can feel safe to visit, learn, work and live. Primary to this goal are the principles of responsibility and respect. These values are essential to any community, and serve as the foundation for the success and productivity of our students, faculty and staff. Safety on campus is one of the highest concerns. A truly safe campus can only be achieved through the cooperation of everyone. This publication contains information about campus safety measures and reports statistics about crime in our college community. It also describes our efforts to combat alcohol and drug abuse. Please take the time to read it and help foster a more caring and safe environment.

Dr Robert G. Boehmer, President

From the Director of Public Safety
To the East Georgia State College Community –

On behalf of the members of the East Georgia State College Police Department, I want to thank you for your interest in our Annual Security Report. We publish this report because it contains valuable information for our campus community. We also publish the report to comply with the important provisions of the Clery Act. Campus safety and security and compliance with the Clery Act should be a part of everyone’s responsibility at East Georgia State College. We encourage you to review the information available in this document. You will find information about our organization including descriptions of certain services that we provide. You will also become familiar with our strong commitment to victims of crimes and the specific services we make available to crime victims. Lastly, you will find important information about security policies and procedures on our campus, crime data, and crime prevention information. We share in the College’s commitment to foster a secure and supportive environment at East Georgia State College. Campus safety and security is a collaborative effort at East Georgia State College. We partner with the many departments at the College that have a critical role in fostering campus safety, including Student Affairs, Plant Operations and other College offices. The men and women of the East Georgia State College Police Department are committed to making the College campus a safe place in which to live, work, and study.

Wiley A. Gammon, Jr., MPA, Director of Public Safety / Chief of Police

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Non-Discrimination Statement
http://www.ega.edu/policy/NoticeOfNondiscrimination.pdf
ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT

SCOPE OF THE ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT
This report contains Clery Act crime statistics and Clery Act reporting requirements for the East Georgia State College (EGSC) Statesboro campus. The EGSC Statesboro campus consists of one building that contains administrative and limited academic space. EGSC Statesboro students attend classes and have access to some facilities at Georgia Southern University (GSU). Because EGSC Statesboro students do not have access to GSU housing, fire statistics and fire prevention procedures and training are not included in this report. The report covers 2015 calendar year statistics; 2013 and 2014 crime statistics are included for comparison.

EGSC Statesboro students may view Georgia Southern University’s Clery Annual Security Report at http://bf.georgiasouthern.edu/publicsafety/

REPORTING CRIMES AND OTHER EMERGENCIES
The college has a number of ways for campus community members and visitors to report crimes, serious incidents, and other emergencies to appropriate college officials. Regardless of how and where you decide to report these incidents, it is critical for the safety of the entire college community that you immediately report all incidents to the EGSC Police Statesboro: 912-623-2462 or 478-455-1606 and to Georgia Southern University Campus Police if the incident occurs on GSU campus: GSU Police 912-478-5234, to ensure an effective investigation and appropriate follow-up actions, including issuing a Timely Warning or emergency notification. Statesboro students may also report crimes to the EGSC Police Swainsboro at 478-289-2090, 478-455-0125.

Voluntary, Confidential Reporting
If crimes are never reported, little can be done to help other members of the community from also being victims. We encourage college community members to report crimes promptly and to participate in and support crime prevention efforts. The college community will be much safer when all community members participate in safety and security initiatives.

If you are the victim of a crime or want to report a crime you are aware of, but do not want to pursue action within the college or criminal justice system, we ask that you consider filing a voluntary, confidential report. Depending upon the circumstances of the crime you are reporting, you may be able file a report while maintaining your confidentiality. The purpose of a confidential report is to comply with your wish to keep your personally identifying information confidential, while taking steps to ensure your safety and the safety of others. The confidential reports allow the college to compile accurate records on the number and types of incidents occurring on campus. Reports filed in this manner are counted and disclosed in the Annual Security and Fire Safety Report. In limited circumstances, the Department may not be able to assure confidentiality and will inform you in those cases.

Anyone may call EGSC Police Statesboro: 912-623-2462, 478-455-1606 or GSU Police 912-478-5234 to report suspicious activity, loitering or other concerning information. Callers may remain anonymous. Providing false information to a Police Officer that forms the basis of a complaint or report is a crime and you may be reported to the Director of Student Conduct or Human Resources, as appropriate, for handling and may result in disciplinary action.

Reporting to EGSC Police
We encourage all members of the college community to report all crimes and other emergencies to EGSC Police in a timely manner. EGSC Statesboro students can report crimes and other emergencies to EGSC Police – Statesboro at 912-623-2462 or 478-455-1606, or in person at the Police Department Office at the Statesboro facility. EGSC Statesboro students that experience an incident or emergency while on GSU’s campus can contact EGSC Police Statesboro and/or GSU Police: 912-478-5234. Through mutual agreement, criminal and emergency incidents involving EGSC Statesboro students while on the GSU campus that are reported to GSU Police will be shared with EGSC Police. EGSC Statesboro students may also report incidents to EGSC Police Swainsboro that has a twenty four hour officer on duty: 478-289-2090, 478-455-0125.
Though there are many resources available, EGSC Police should be notified of any crime, whether or not an investigation continues, to assure the college can assess any and all security concerns and inform the community if there is a significant threat to the college community.

**Reporting to Other Campus Security Authorities**

While the college prefers that community members promptly report all crimes and other emergencies directly to EGSC Police or 911, we also recognize that some may prefer to report to other individuals or college offices. The Clery Act recognizes certain college officials and offices as “Campus Security Authorities (CSA).” The Act defines these individuals as “official of an institution who has significant responsibility for student and campus activities, including, but not limited to, student housing, student discipline and campus judicial proceedings. An official is defined as any person who has the authority and the duty to take action or respond to particular issues on behalf of the institution.”

While the College has identified several CSAs, we officially designate the following offices as places where campus community members should report crimes:

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**Professional Counselors**

According to the Clery Act, professional counselors who are appropriately credentialed and hired by EGSC to serve in a counseling role are not considered Campus Security Authorities when they are acting in the counseling role. As a matter of policy, the College encourages professional counselors to notify those whom they are counseling of the voluntary, confidential reporting options available to them.

**College Community Safety and Personal Responsibility**

The College takes great pride in the community and offers students, faculty and staff many advantages. This community is a great place to live, learn, work and study, however, this does not mean that the campus community is immune from all of the other unfortunate circumstances that arise in other communities. With that in mind, EGSC has taken progressive measures to create and maintain a reasonably safety environment on campus.
Though the College is progressive with its policies, programs, and education, it is up to each one of us to live with a sense of awareness and use reasonable judgment when living, working or visiting on campus.

PREPARATION OF THE ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT AND DISCLOSURE OF CRIME STATISTICS

EGSC Police Department prepares this report to comply with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security and Crime Statistics Act using information maintained by EGSC Police, information provided by other college offices such as Student Affairs and other Campus Security Authorities, and information provided by local law enforcement agencies surrounding the Statesboro campus. Each of these offices provides updated policy information and crime data.

This report provides statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned, leased or controlled by East Georgia State College. This report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, such as policies regarding sexual assault, alcohol and other drugs.

The college distributes a notice of the availability of this Annual Security Report by October 1 of each year to every member of the College community. Anyone, including prospective students and employees, may obtain a paper copy of this report by contacting Human Resources, EGSC Police or by visiting http://www.ega.edu/police

ABOUT THE EGSC POLICE DEPARTMENT

The EGSC Police Department office is located immediately inside the main entrance at the Statesboro facility. Georgia Southern University’s Police Department is located on Forest Drive across from the Raptor Center.

Departmental and /Officer Qualifications and Authority

The East Georgia State College Police Department is a law enforcement agency recognized by the Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) Council. All police officers are certified peace officers of the State of Georgia. In addition, officers meet annual POST training requirements in order to retain their arrest powers. EGSC Police Officers are authorized under Georgia O.C.G.A. 20-3-72 to make arrests on, and within 500 yards of any property owned, controlled by the Board of Regents within the State of Georgia. All criminal incidents are investigated by the EGSC Police Department. The Department is comprised of 11 Police Officers and one civilian employee.

Training

EGSC Police Officers participate in on campus drills (active shooter, hazardous spill, fire, shelter in place) and in-service training on a variety of topics including active shooter, severe weather, search and seizure in the residence hall, missing student scenarios interviewing techniques, Clery Reporting, psychological first aid, and response to classroom disruptions. Most training includes participation with local law enforcement, EMT and fire departments. Additionally, each officer attends in-service training on topics appropriate for a campus police officer.

Campus Patrol and Crime Reporting

Police officers patrol the campus during all hours that it is open. While patrolling the campus for violations of criminal and traffic laws, officers also check for safety hazards and crime-conducive conditions, such as inoperable security lighting, hedges that conceal windows or entrances, etc. Any deficiencies are noted and referred to Plant Operations for correction. In addition, police officers also routinely check the parking lot and do not permit loitering in the parking lot. Individuals are encouraged to report all campus crimes to EGSC Police in an accurate and timely manner.

Additional Police Department Services

EGSC Police Department provides additional services for the faculty, staff, students and visitors on campus. Officers are available to:

• Jump-start vehicles
• Assist in getting gasoline
• Assist in changing tires
• Provide escort service on campus after dark

Relationship with Other Police and Emergency Agencies

EGSC Police Officers are equipped with radios that share frequencies with the local 911 center, the Bulloch County Sherriff’s Office and other police agencies that can provide additional assistance. Through the local 911 center, fire
trucks, emergency medical services, etc., can be quickly dispatched to the campus. The EGSC Police Department maintains a good working relationship with the Bulloch County Sherriff’s Office, Georgia Southern University Police, Georgia State Patrol, and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, all of which have offices near the campus. While EGSC Police Officers are the first responders to calls concerning criminal activity, these agencies provide back-up assistance when called upon and also respond when additional investigative assistance is needed. EGSC has Mutual Aid Agreements with the Bulloch County Sherriff’s Office and Georgia Southern University Campus Police. EGSC annually hosts joint training events and drills for the above partners on the EGSC main campus.

**Crimes Involving Student Organizations at Off-Campus Locations**

EGSC does not have any recognized student organizations off campus. EGSC relies on its close working relationships with Georgia Southern University Police and local law enforcement agencies to receive information about incidents involving EGSC students on and off campus. In coordination with local law enforcement agencies, the EGSC Police will actively investigate certain crimes occurring on or near the EGSC Statesboro campus. EGSC Statesboro students are not eligible to reside in Georgia Southern University housing. EGSC students reside in private housing in Statesboro where the Statesboro Police or Bulloch County Sheriff’s Office have primary jurisdiction. If EGSC Police learns of criminal activity involving students it will coordinate with the appropriate external law enforcement agency to forward information about the situation to the Office of Student Conduct, as appropriate.

**TIMELY WARNINGS**

In an effort to provide timely notice to the campus community in the event of a Clery Act crime (criminal homicide, sex offenses, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, arson, hate crimes, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking) that may pose a serious or ongoing threat to members of the community, EGSC Police will issue a Timely Warning. EGSC Police will generally issue Timely Warnings for the following crimes: arson; aggravated assault; criminal homicide; robbery; burglary; sex assaults; and hate crimes. EGSC Police will post these warnings through a variety of ways, including but not limited to posters, e-mails, college’s webpage, and media. The College IT Department also has the ability to send text message alerts via Connect Ed and Eagle Alert (GSU students) to those who register their cell phone numbers.

The purpose of these Timely Warnings is to notify the campus community of the incident and to provide information that may enable community members to protect themselves from similar incidents. The College will issue Timely Warnings whenever the following criteria are met: 1) a crime is committed; 2) the perpetrator has not been apprehended; and 3) there is a substantial risk to the physical safety of other members of the campus community because of this crime. Such crimes include, but are not limited to: 1) Clery Act crimes that are reported to any campus security authority or the local police; or 2) the college determines that the incident represents an on-going threat to the campus community. Victim names will not be released.

Additionally, EGSC Police may, in some circumstances, issue Timely Warnings when there is a pattern of crimes against persons or property. At EGSC, the Chief of Police will generally make the determination, in consultation with other college offices, if a Timely Warning is required. However, in emergency situations, any EGSC Police supervisor may authorize a Timely Warning. For incidents involving off-campus crimes, the college may issue a Timely Warning if the crime occurred in a location used and frequented by the college population. If issuing such notification will compromise the efforts to contain the emergency, the warning and notification will be delayed until the emergency is under control. EGSC Statesboro students enrolled in the GSU Eagle Alert emergency communication program will receive Timely Warnings from GSU regarding crimes occurring on or near GSU campus.

**EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND EVACUATION PROCEDURES**

**Emergency Management at EGSC**

The President’s Office is responsible for the East Georgia State College Emergency Action Plan (EAP). This plan is designed to be an all-hazards disaster response and emergency management plan that complies with FEMA guidelines for Higher Education that includes planning, mitigation, response, and recovery actions.

Our priorities are:

- Life safety, infrastructure integrity, and environmental protection during an emergency
- Coordination with College departments to write, maintain, test, and exercise the EAP
- Cooperation, Integration, and Mutual Aid with local, state and federal planning, response, and public safety agencies and their EAPs.

A flipchart containing the College’s emergency response procedures is located at [http://www.ega.edu/policy/13-emergency-response-procedures-statesboro.pdf](http://www.ega.edu/policy/13-emergency-response-procedures-statesboro.pdf) Included on this web page is detailed information regarding the College’s emergency notification policy, including how to enroll in the emergency notification system to ensure you receive emergency notices on College and cellular telephones.

**Drills, Exercises and Training**

Annually, the college conducts an emergency management exercise to test emergency procedures. The scenarios for these exercises change from year-to-year, and include several departments from across the campus and may include local law enforcement and emergency responders.

To ensure the College’s emergency management plans remain current and actionable, the College will conduct an emergency management exercise, at a minimum once yearly. These exercises may include tabletop drills, emergency operations center exercises, or full-scale emergency response exercises. The College conducts after-action reviews of all emergency management exercises.

In conjunction with at least one emergency management exercise each year, the College will notify the community of the exercise and remind the community of the information included in the College’s publicly available information regarding emergency response procedures [http://www.ega.edu/policy/13-emergency-response-procedures-statesboro.pdf](http://www.ega.edu/policy/13-emergency-response-procedures-statesboro.pdf)

**Emergency Notification**

EGSC is committed to ensuring the campus community receives timely, accurate, and useful information in the event of a significant emergency or dangerous situation on campus or in the local area that poses an immediate threat to the health and safety of campus community members. EGSC uses the emergency notification system Connect Ed to contact its students. EGSC Statesboro students on the GSU campus may also receive Eagle Alert messages. ConnectEd and Eagle Alert are emergency notification services available to faculty, staff and students that enroll in the program. EGSC coordinates its ConnectEd messages with GSU’s Eagle Alert messages to be sure that all EGSC students receive a warning that contains consistent information. ConnectEd and Eagle Alert can be used to send emergency messages within minutes of the occurrence of an incident. Messages are simulcast to the college community via text, email and telephone. EGSC IT Department performs a College-wide test of the ConnectEd system each semester. A record of each test message and live emergency message is maintained indicating the delivery success rate per device (email, telephone and text message).

The following procedures outline the process the College uses when issuing emergency notifications.

*Procedures Used to Notify the Campus Community*

In the event of a situation that poses an immediate threat to members of the campus community, the College has various systems in place for communicating information quickly. Some or all of these methods of communication may be activated in the event of emergency notification to all or a segment of campus community. These methods of communication include the mass notification system Connect Ed, the college’s e-mail system, fax, telephone tree, sirens, and verbal announcement within a building and public address system on Police Department patrol cars. The College will post updates during a critical incident on the homepage. If the situation warrants, the College will establish a telephone call-in center to communicate with the College community during an emergency situation.

*Confirming the Existence of a Significant Emergency or Dangerous Situation and Initiating the Emergency Notification System*

The EGSC Police Department and /or other campus first responders may become aware of a critical incident or other emergency situation that potentially affects the health and/or safety of the campus community. Generally, campus first responders become aware of these situations when they are reported to the Police Department or upon discovery during patrol or other assignments.
Once first responders confirm that there is, in fact, an emergency or dangerous situation that poses an immediate threat to the health or safety of some or all members of the campus community, EGSC Police will notify the Information Technology Department to issue an emergency notification.

The Chief of Police or the supervisor on duty will notify the President. Information Technology will immediately initiate all or some portions of the College’s emergency notification system. The college’s Emergency Response Committee (ERC) in conjunction with the President, is responsible for coordinating the response and notification. If time permits, the immediately available members of the ERC will be consulted prior to the college’s sending an emergency notification. The college’s Information Technology Department is responsible for issuing the ConnectEd notification and the Office of Institutional Advancement is responsible for posting notices on the website and informing the media. If, in the professional judgment of first responders, issuing a notification potentially compromises efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency, the college may elect to delay issuing an emergency notifications. As soon as the condition that may compromise efforts is no longer present, the college will issue the emergency notification to the campus community.

**Determining the Appropriate Segment or Segments of the Campus Community to Receive an Emergency Notification**

College and/or local first responders on the scene of a critical incident or dangerous situation will assist those preparing the emergency notification (ERC, Police Department, Information Technology) with determining what segment or segments of the college community should receive the notification. Generally, campus community members in the immediate area of the dangerous situation (i.e. the building, adjacent buildings, or surrounding area) will receive the emergency notification first. The college may issue subsequent notifications to a wider group of community members. In addition to the emergency notification that may be issued via the college mass notification system, the college will also post applicable messages about the dangerous condition on the college homepage to ensure the rest of the campus is aware of the situation and the steps they should take to maintain personal and campus safety. If the emergency affects a significant portion of the entire campus, college officials will distribute the notification to the entire campus community.

**Determining the Contents of the Emergency Notification**

Information Technology, responsible for issuing the emergency notification, will in concert with Institutional Advancement and first responders, and the ERC if time permits, determine the contents of the notification. The college has developed a wide range of template messages addressing several different emergency situations. The individual authorizing the notification will select the template message most appropriate to the on-going situation and modify it to address the specifics of the present incident. In those cases where there are no pre-determined template messages in the system, the individual authorizing the notification will develop the most succinct message to convey the appropriate information to the community. The goal is to ensure individuals are aware of the situation and that they know the steps to take to safeguard their personal and community safety.

**Procedures for Disseminating Emergency Information to the Greater Community**

Emergency information will be disseminated to the larger campus community through Connect Ed, public address, posters, signs on buildings, fax, and posting messages on the college webpage.

**Enrolling in the College’s Emergency Notification System**

Prior to the Connect Ed tests in Fall and Spring semester, Student Life conducts a Connect Ed awareness program to inform and remind students of the emergency notification system and to update emergency contact information. In preparation for an emergency, annually and prior to impending severe weather, EGSC’s Information Technology Department sends a reminder e-mail to all campus requesting employees update his or her emergency contact information in Connect Ed. We encourage members of the campus community to enroll in the Connect Ed emergency notification system and regularly update their information at:


**Testing of the EGSC Emergency Response Procedures**

EGSC annually conducts campus-wide fire drills. The drills allow for the testing of the public address system and siren, and the college’s evacuation response. Building representatives assist with the evacuation procedures. Evacuation procedures are included in the East Georgia State College Emergency Procedures Flipchart which is distributed annually
to all employees, is located on the EGSC Police Department website, and available in all classrooms and labs. Department heads inform employees of evacuation routes and assembly points and faculty inform students at the beginning of each semester of the evacuation route and assembly point for the classroom or laboratory. Evacuation begins when the alarm sounds or when directed to evacuate by Police Officers or Plant Operations staff. Building representatives assist in evacuating individuals from buildings to a designated assembly point and maintains a headcount for the group. Tests of the Connect Ed emergency notification system are conducted each semester. EGSC’s Emergency Response Committee meets regularly to plan tests and drills, to conduct after action evaluations of the college’s emergency response, and to adjust policy and procedure to ensure the most effective response.

SECURITY OF and ACCESS TO COLLEGE FACILITIES

EGSC Statesboro facility is open from 8:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 8:00am – 5:00p.m. on Friday. The building is scheduled to be open on weekends only as needed. Access to individual classrooms and laboratories is limited to those enrolled in the courses meeting there. Likewise, access to most programs is limited to those enrolled in the program or otherwise authorized access.

Cultural events held in the college facilities are open to the public. Other facilities such as the snack bar and bookstore are likewise open to the public. Only those high level employees whose job responsibilities require after hour’s access are issued keys to a building: Police Department, Plant Operations, etc. All facilities are secured by EGSC Police immediately following the last class or event and reopening the following morning between 7AM – 8AM. As part of its regular duties, EGSC Police monitors access to after hour’s facilities for maintenance issues.

Special Considerations for Residence Hall Access

The Statesboro Campus does not have a residence hall.

Security Considerations for the Maintenance of Campus Facilities

EGSC is committed to campus safety and security. At the College, locks, landscaping and outdoor lighting are designed for safety and security. Sidewalks and building entrances are illuminated and are designed to provide well-traveled, lighted routes from parking areas to the facility.

We encourage community members to promptly report any security concern, including concerns about locking mechanism, lighting, or landscaping to EGSC Police.

CAMPUS SECURITY POLICIES, CRIME PREVENTION & SAFETY AWARENESS PROGRAMS

In addition to the many programs offered by EGSC Police and other college offices, the College has established a number of policies and procedures related to ensuring a reasonably safe campus community. These policies include:

Behavioral Intervention Team

In order to extend our efforts on emergency preparedness and prevention, EGSC has established a Behavioral Recommendation Team. The objective of the Behavioral Recommendation Team (BRT) is to put in place a structured process for evaluating potentially threatening situations that occur at the college, coordinating resources and recommending an action plan for individuals in need of support. The multi-disciplinary team is comprised of members from around the college community. If you would like further information about the BRT please visit http://www.ega.edu/offices/presidents_office/standing_committees/behavioral_recommendation_team

Weapons Policy

East Georgia State College campus is designated as a school safety zone by Georgia’s Safe Carry Protection Act (also known as “Campus Carry” and defined in O.C.G.A. 16-11-127.1). Except as otherwise provided herein, it is unlawful for any person to carry or possess or to have under such person’s control any weapon or explosive compound while within a school safety zone. Electroshock weapons and handguns are allowed on campus subject to certain limitations as provided by law. This policy also sets forth procedures for compliance with Campus Carry.
Weapons carry license holders must have the license in his or her immediate possession at all times when carrying a weapon.

As of July 1, 2016, O.C.G.A. 16-11-127.1 was amended to allow any commercially available device designed exclusively to incapacitate a person by electrical charge, including “stun guns” and Tasers”, to be carried on all campuses. These devices can only be used in defense of self or others.

Violation of this policy is also a violation of Georgia law and will result in appropriate action, including but not limited to, expulsion, termination, dismissal and/or referral for criminal prosecution.

**Crime Prevention and Safety Awareness Programs**

In an effort to promote safety awareness and reduce crime, prevention and awareness programs are available at EGSC. Prevention programs are aimed at minimizing criminal opportunities and encouraging students to be responsible for their own security. Information on crime reporting, prevention and awareness is shared by EGSC Police with Student Affairs, and Counseling and Disability Services. Students receive this information in new student orientation, and in housing orientation. Employees receive this information during the college’s annual Compliance Month training event. Some of the training classes offered to students, faculty and staff are: Response to Active Shooter, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Training, Sexual Assault Training, Refuse to be a Victim Class, Save a Life Tour, Enduring Regret Class and seat belt checks at graduation.

**Personal Safety**

Theft, disorderly conduct, and alcohol related offenses are very common on College campuses. Despite law enforcement’s efforts, serious crimes do occur on campuses. It is important to report any suspicious incidents to police and always remain alert and vigilant.

One of the more serious crimes that too often is unreported is Sexual Assault. It is important to know what these crimes are, because in many cases, victims do not realize that they have been victimized. Additionally, crimes of this nature are very difficult for victims to report for a number of very complex reasons. We provide the following information to assist those who may have been victims of sexual assault or who have a friend who has been sexually assaulted.

There are many guidelines to help you be more alert and aware of the situation to prevent such serious crimes. Such as:

**Know your surroundings**
- Be alert
- Call for help
- Report any suspicious people and/or activity, immediately

**University System of Georgia Policy on Sexual Misconduct and Student Conduct**

The University System of Georgia is committed to ensuring a safe learning environment that supports the dignity of all members of the University System of Georgia community. The USG policy 4.7.1 Sexual Misconduct was updated effective July 1, 2016. Please see the full policy: [http://www.usg.edu/policymanual/section4/policy/C327/](http://www.usg.edu/policymanual/section4/policy/C327/)

The University System of Georgia also updated policy 4.6.5 Student Conduct, effective July 1, 2016. Please see the full policy: [http://www.usg.edu/policymanual/section4/policy/C332/](http://www.usg.edu/policymanual/section4/policy/C332/)

**EGSC Policy Statement on Sexual Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence and Dating Violence**

EGSC is committed to providing a safe learning and working environment, and in compliance with federal law has adopted policies and procedures to prevent and respond to incidents of sexual misconduct and abuse including sexual violence, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking. These guidelines apply to all faculty, staff, students, contractors and visitors.
Sexual assault, stalking, domestic violence and dating violence are forms of sexual misconduct which in violate the EGSC Student Code of Conduct and EGSC Policy Prohibiting Sexual Discrimination, Sexual Harassment and Sexual Misconduct and may violate Federal and State Laws. Students and employees that violate the EGSC Policy Prohibiting Sexual Discrimination, Sexual Harassment and Sexual Misconduct are subject to disciplinary sanctions through the Office of Student Conduct and EGSC as outlined in the above college policy. Please see policy: http://www.ega.edu/policy/08-sexual-discrimination-harassment-and-misconduct-policy.pdf

EGSC’s procedures, policies and protocols for reporting and addressing allegations of student and employee sexual assault, sexual misconduct, stalking, domestic violence and dating violence are contained in the below sections. The Title IX process is contained in the below policy: http://www.ega.edu/policy/08-title-ix-policy-establishing-a-procedure-for-discrimination-and-complaints.pdf

**Reporting an Incident**

If a student, employee or visitor has been the victim of sexual violence they should immediately report it to EGSC Police Department. Time is a critical factor for evidence collection and preservation. In the case of an emergency or ongoing threat, get to a safe location and call 911. Students may also report to the Title IX Coordinator, Director of Student Conduct, EGSC Counselor, or other college official; employees and others may report to Title IX Coordinator or the Office of Human Resources. College officials will assist the victim in notifying law enforcement, if the victim elects to do so. Victims are also entitled to not file a report to law enforcement. Filing a police report with a college officer will not obligate the victim to prosecute, nor will it subject the victim to scrutiny or judgmental opinions from officers. Filing a police report will:

- ensure that a victim of sexual or non-sexual assault receives the necessary medical treatment and tests;
- provide the opportunity for collection of evidence helpful in prosecution, which cannot be obtained later;
- assure the victim has access to free confidential counseling from counselors specifically trained in the area of sexual assault, domestic violence and dating violence crisis intervention.

**Defining Rape, Sexual Assault, Sexual Misconduct and Relationship Offenses**

**Rape**
A person commits the offense of rape when he has carnal knowledge of a female forcibly and against her will; or a female who is less than ten years of age. Carnal knowledge in rape occurs when there is any penetration of the female sex organ by the male sex organ. The fact that the person allegedly raped is the wife of the defendant shall not be a defense to a charge of rape. (See O.C.G.A. 16-6-1).

**Sodomy; Aggravated Sodomy**
A person commits the offense of sodomy when he or she performs or submits to any sexual act involving the sex organs of one person and the mouth or anus of another. A person commits the offense of aggravated sodomy when he or she commits sodomy with force and against the will of the other person or when he or she commits sodomy with a person who is less than ten years of age. The fact that the person allegedly sodomized is the spouse of a defendant shall not be a defense to a charge of aggravated sodomy. (See O.C.G.A. 16-6-2).

**Statutory Rape**
A person commits the offense of statutory rape when he or she engages in sexual intercourse with any person under the age of 16 years and not his or her spouse, provided that no conviction shall be had for this offense on the unsupported testimony of the victim. (See O.C.G.A. 16-6-3)
Sexual Assault
Georgia law defines sexual assault by persons with supervisory or disciplinary authority; see definition of Rape and Sexual Battery herein.

Sexual Assault by Persons with Supervisory or Disciplinary Authority
b) A person who has supervisory or disciplinary authority over another individual commits sexual assault when that person:
   1. is a teacher, principal, assistant principal, or other administrator of any school and engages in sexual contact with such other individual who the actor knew or should have known is enrolled at the same school; provided, however, that such contact shall not be prohibited when the actor is married to such other individual
   2. is an employee or agent of any probation or parole office and engages in sexual contact with such other individual who the actor knew or should have known is a probationer or parolee under the supervision of the same probation or parole office
   3. is an employee or agent of a law enforcement agency and engages in sexual contact with such other individual who the actor knew or should have known is being detained by or is in the custody of any law enforcement agency;
   4. is an employee or agent of a hospital and engages in sexual contact with such other individual who the actor knew or should have known is a patient or is being detained in the same hospital; or
   5. is an employee or agent of a correctional facility, juvenile detention facility, facility providing services to a person with a disability, as such term is defined in Code Section 37-1-1, or a facility providing child welfare and youth services, as such term is defined in Code Section 49-5-3, who engages in sexual contact with such other individual who the actor knew or should have known is in the custody of such facility.

c) A person who is an actual or purported practitioner of psychotherapy commits sexual assault when he or she engages in sexual contact with another individual who the actor knew or should have known is the subject of the actor's actual or purported treatment or counseling or the actor uses the treatment or counseling relationship to facilitate sexual contact between the actor and such individual.
d) A person who is an employee, agent, or volunteer at any facility licensed or required to be licensed under Code Section 31-7-3, 31-7-12, or 31-7-12.2 or who is required to be licensed pursuant to Code Section 31-7-151 or 31-7-173 commits sexual assault when he or she engages in sexual contact with another individual who the actor knew or should have known had been admitted to or is receiving services from such facility or the actor.
e) Consent of the victim shall not be a defense to a prosecution under this Code section (See O.C.G.A. 16-6-5.1(b)-(e)).

Domestic Violence
The State of Georgia does not define Domestic Violence. See Family Violence definition.

Family Violence
"[T]he occurrence of one or more of the following acts between past or present spouses, persons who are parents of the same child, parents and children, stepparents and stepchildren, foster parents and foster children, or other persons living or formerly living in the same household:
(1) Any felony; or
(2) Commission of offenses of battery, simple battery, simple assault, assault, stalking, criminal damage to property, unlawful restraint, or criminal trespass. The term ‘family violence’ shall not be deemed to include reasonable discipline administered by a parent to a child in the form of corporal punishment, restraint, or detention.”
O.C.G.A. § 19-13-1

Dating Violence: The State of Georgia does not define “Dating Violence” but defines “Family Violence” to include some dating situations – i.e., persons who are parents of the same child, or other persons living or formerly living in the same household.
See O.C.G.A. § 19-13-1.

Stalking: Stalking

“(a)(1) A person commits the offense of stalking when he or she follows, places under surveillance, or contacts another person at or about a place or places without the consent of the other person for the purpose of harassing and intimidating the other person. For the purpose of this article, the terms ‘computer’ and ‘computer network’ shall have the same meanings as set out in Code Section 16-9-92; the term ‘contact’ shall mean any communication including without being limited to communication in person, by telephone, by mail, by broadcast, by computer, by computer network, or by any other electronic device; and the place or places that contact by telephone, mail, broadcast, computer, computer network, or any other electronic device is deemed to occur shall be the place or places where such communication is received. For the purpose of this article, the term ‘place or places’ shall include any public or private property occupied by the victim other than the residence of the defendant. For the purposes of this article, the term ‘harassing and intimidating’ means a knowing and willful course of conduct directed at a specific person which causes emotional distress by placing such person in reasonable fear for such person’s safety or the safety of a member of his or her immediate family, by establishing a pattern of harassing and intimidating behavior, and which serves no legitimate purpose. This Code section shall not be construed to require that an overt threat of death or bodily injury has been made.

(2) A person commits the offense of stalking when such person, in violation of a bond to keep the peace posted pursuant to Code Section 17-6-110, standing order issued under Code Section 19-1-1, temporary restraining order, temporary protective order, permanent restraining order, permanent protective order, preliminary injunction, or permanent injunction or condition of pretrial release, condition of probation, or condition of parole in effect prohibiting the behavior described in this subsection, follows, places under surveillance, or contacts another person at or about a place or places without the consent of the other person for the purpose of harassing and intimidating the other person.”
O.C.G.A. § 16-5-90

Aggravated Stalking

“A person commits the offense of aggravated stalking when such person, in violation of a bond to keep the peace posted pursuant to Code Section 17-6-110, temporary restraining order, temporary protective order, permanent restraining order, permanent protective order, preliminary injunction, good behavior bond, or permanent injunction or condition of pretrial release, condition of probation, or condition of parole in effect prohibiting the behavior described in this subsection, follows, places under surveillance, or contacts another person at or about a place or places without the consent of the other person for the purpose of harassing and intimidating the other person.”
O.C.G.A. § 16-5-91

Consent is defined as clear words or actions that are knowingly, freely and actively given, indicating permission to engage in mutually agreed upon sexual activity. The absence of no is not a “yes”. Consent cannot be given when physical force, threats or intimidation, or sexual coercion, is used to obtain consent.

- Consent may be withdrawn at any time without regard to sexual activity preceding the withdrawal of consent.
- Consent may not be inferred from silence or passivity alone.
- Consent is not able to be given when a person is prevented from or incapable of giving consent (i.e., due to use of drugs or alcohol, or physical or intellectual disability) and this fact is known to the person committing the act.

Procedures Victims Should Follow

While these definitions are clear, victims often have difficulty reporting a sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence or stalking for numerous reasons such as knowing the perpetrator, fear of retaliation, fear of parents knowing about the incident, fear of getting in trouble with law enforcement. Despite these concerns, it is vital to report such incidents in order to preserve evidence and to get help.

The following information provides steps for a victim to follow should a rape, sexual assault, or relationship offense occur:

- Get to a safe place as soon as possible!
- Try to preserve all physical evidence – Sexual assault victims should not bathe, shower, brush teeth, douche, use the toilet, or change clothing until s/he has a medical exam. Ay clothing removed should be placed in a paper bag. Evidence of violence, such as bruising or other visible injuries should be photographed. Evidence of stalking including any communication: written notes, texts, voicemail or other electronic communications should be saved. Contact a close friend or relative, if available, who can provide support and accompany the victim to the medical exam and/or police department.
- Get medical attention as soon as possible – An exam may reveal the presence of physical injury of which the victim is unaware. Following a sexual assault, antibiotics are typically given at the time of the exam to help prevent the victim from acquiring certain sexually transmitted diseases. Emergency contraceptive pills are offered to all victims at the time of the exam (if the victim presents within 120 hours) to help prevent pregnancy from occurring as a result of the rape. If the victim reports memory loss, loss of consciousness or other circumstances suspicious for a drug-facilitated assault, a urine test may be done if the victim presents within 96 hours. Some of the commonly used “date rape” drugs, however, are only detectable in the urine for 6-8 hours after ingestion.
- Contact the police – Sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking are crimes, it is vital to report them. It is important to remember reporting a crime is not the same as prosecuting the crime. The decision to prosecute may be made at another time. Final decision to prosecute is determined by the District Attorney.
- Consider talking to a counselor – Seeing a counselor may be important in helping the victim understand his/her feelings and begin the process of recovery.

Victim Confidentiality

EGSC recognizes the sensitive nature of sexual violence and is committed to protecting the privacy of the any individual who reports an incident of sexual violence. Different officials on campus are, however, able to offer varying levels of privacy to victims. When a sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking victim contacts EGSC Police Department, the local police may be notified as well. Reports made to EGSC Police, including if criminal prosecution is pursued, may be made public. The Clery Act Annual Security Report will not include the victim’s name or identifying information. Reports made to the EGSC Counselor may be kept confidential and identifying information about the victim shall not be made public unless disclosure is mandated by law (victim is minor, victim or third party is in imminent danger). If the victim is a student, a representative from the Counseling and Disability Services Office will also be notified. Counseling staff are available to provide immediate crisis counseling and are confidential contacts. Counseling
staff may accompany the victim to the hospital for medical care, provide referrals when needed, and to provide on campus counseling services. Title IX Coordinators, due to legal mandates requiring investigation of all reports, may not be able to offer full confidentiality if doing so compromises the investigation. Regardless of whether the victim reports the offense to local law enforcement, the below information will be given to the victim at the time of the report, explaining his/her rights and options.

**On and Off Campus Resources**
Both EGSC and its surrounding communities offer important resources to victims of sexual violence, sexual misconduct and relationship offenses including medical treatment, counseling and advocacy. A victim need not make a formal report to law enforcement or EGSC to access resources.

The following handout will be given to victims by EGSC Police, Title IX Coordinator, Director of Student Conduct, EGSC Counselor or the college official receiving the report. This document is posted on the webpages of the EGSC Counselor, Police Department, Student Affairs, Student Life, Student Conduct, Housing and Human Resources.

**EAST GEORGIA STATE COLLEGE**

**Information and Procedures for Victims**
**of Sexual Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence and Dating Violence**

**Immediate Response Procedures for Victims**
- Get to a place of safety
- Try to preserve evidence (Rape victims: do not bathe, shower, brush teeth, douche, or use toilet; place clothing in paper bag. Violence victims: take pictures of bruises or other injuries. Stalking victims: save evidence of communications such as texts, emails, voicemails, writings, etc.)
- Obtain necessary medical treatment
- Report the incident so that evidence may be collected in a timely manner; * college official or EGSC Police can assist with report,
- Role of EGSC Police: assist with information for filing a restraining order in local court, and enforce the restraining order issued by local court
- Consider talking to a counselor

**Reporting options:**
- EGSC Police Department 478-455-1606 GSU 912- 478-5234 or call 911;
- EGSC Director of Student Conduct 478-289-2360
- EGSC Title IX Coordinator: Students 478-289-2105; Employees: 478-289-2035
- Local Law Enforcement 911
- EGSC Counselor 912-623-2406 or 478-289-2039 (Swainsboro backup) or Rape Crisis Center* (Confidential Report)
- Decline to file a complaint (EGSC may continue investigation to the extent that it can as required by Title IX)

**Victim Confidentiality**
Different officials on campus are, however, able to offer varying levels of privacy to victims.
- **Police Department:** not a confidential report; may be referred to local law enforcement; may be made public if criminal prosecution. Clery Act Annual Security Report and Timely Warning will not contain victim name or identifying information.
- **Title IX Coordinators:** due to legal mandates requiring investigation of all reports may not be able to offer full confidentiality if doing so compromises the investigation or safety and security of campus.
- **EGSC Counselor:** report may be kept confidential and victim identifying information shall not be made public unless disclosure is mandated by law (victim is minor, victim or third party is in imminent danger).
- **EGSC Employee:** due to legal mandates employees have a duty to report any reports received to Title IX Coordinator

**Services Available to Victims:**
Counseling: Immediate crisis counseling will be available through the EGSC Counseling and Disability Services office. Employee victims will be then be referred to an off campus provider. Student and employee client contacts with the EGSC Counseling Center are confidential. Exceptions which require disclosure without consent include instances where the Counseling Center believes the client poses a clear and present danger to himself/herself or others and instances where the Counseling Center has reasonable cause to
believe that a child (under the age of 18 years old) has been subjected to maltreatment, which may involve abuse, sexual abuse, neglect, sexual exploitation or abandonment.

Mental Health Resources and Rape Crisis Centers*: Off campus counseling and support services can be obtained through the Statesboro Regional Sexual Assault Center- (912) 489-6060 or www.srsac.org. Rape Crisis Centers- Statesboro (866) 489-2225. Such licensed off campus provider will also have a privilege with his or her clients and are subject to the above Georgia confidentiality provisions.

Victim Advocacy Programs: Victim advocate programs in Bulloch County District Attorney’s Office in Statesboro (912) 764-9924, can provide on-going information and assistance.

Legal Assistance: Georgia Legal Services (888) 220-8399 can provide legal assistance.

EGSC Interim Measures: Regardless of whether you chose to pursue an investigation of the incident with EGSC or local law enforcement, student victims have the option to change their academic and/or on-campus living and transportation situations after an alleged rape, sexual assault, or relationship offense, regardless of whether the victim pursues campus disciplinary action or criminal action, if such changes are reasonably available. Contact: Dr. Tim Goodman, Vice President for Academic Affairs: 478-289-2034. EGSC employee victims may have the option to change their work situations, when necessary to protect personal safety, if such changes are reasonably available. Contact: Tracy Woods, Director of Human Resources: 478-289-2035. Accommodations or protective measures provided to a victim will remain confidential to the extent that maintaining confidentiality would not impair the ability of the institution to provide the accommodation or protective measures.

EGSC Disciplinary Proceedings and Sanctions are detailed in the East Georgia State College Employee Handbook, East Georgia College Faculty Handbook and the East Georgia State College Student Handbook. The Student Handbook provides, in part, that Student Conduct Office may issue a temporary no contact order pending the outcome of a conduct proceeding. Both the Employee Handbook and the Student Handbook provide that the accused and the victim will each be allowed to choose a hearing advisor, a person who has had no formal legal training, to accompany them throughout the hearing and to attend meetings related to the proceeding. Both the accused and accuser shall simultaneously be informed in writing of the outcome made by the hearing panel, appeal procedures, if any, any change to the results that occur prior to the time that they become final, and when such results become final. A student found guilty of violating the sexual harassment, sexual assault, and sexual misconduct policy including domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking could be criminally prosecuted in the state courts and may be suspended or expelled from the college for the first offense. The Office of Student Conduct may also implement other protective measures including but not limited to no-contact orders and bans from campus or certain areas of campus. Violations of any such no contact order or ban may result in a separate charge of Failure to Comply. An EGSC employee found guilty of violating the EGSC Sexual Discrimination, Sexual Harassment and Sexual Misconduct policy may be suspended or terminated and may face criminal prosecution.

No Retaliation Policy: East Georgia State College absolutely prohibits any retaliation, at any time, against the complainant or against those individuals participating in the investigation. The Director of Student Conduct or Title IX Coordinator will advise both the complainant and the respondent of the prohibition of any retaliation, including retaliation by any individuals associated with the respondent, such as social friends and team members. Anyone under the jurisdiction of the College that retaliates against the complainant or individuals participating in an investigation or proceeding under this policy, Title IX policy or the college’s Discrimination and Harassment Policy may be subject to disciplinary action.

Role of the Title IX Coordinator

The Title IX Coordinator will provide this written information to the victim. EGSC Police and/or Title IX Coordinator will refer reports to the Director of Student Conduct for the disciplinary process. An investigation will be conducted with full consideration of the victim’s confidentiality concerns and balancing such concerns with the college’s obligation to maintain a safe and secure campus and meet its compliance obligations under Title IX. East Georgia State College’s Title IX Coordinators responsible for overseeing administrative investigations in compliance with Title IX requirements are the Director of Student Life, vsherrrod@ega.edu, 478-289-2105; and the Director of Human Resources, twwoods@ega.edu, 478-289-2035.

EGSC Sexual Misconduct Policy:

Awareness and Prevention Education Programs

The Counseling and Disability Services Office is primarily responsible for sexual assault and sexual misconduct education and awareness in collaboration with many offices at the college. Together, these offices offer a variety of programming focusing on sexual and gender violence. Below is a list of some of the programs available at the college. A comprehensive program on Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Stalking and prevention is delivered to students in the Fall and Spring Semesters in First Class: EGSC First Year Experience Program. Students are provided definitions of sexual misconduct, sexual assault, sexual violence, consent, dating violence, domestic violence and stalking, and what to do if a victim of the above crimes, bystander intervention measures, information on confidentiality and reporting options and ramifications, victim rights, the student conduct process and possible sanctions, and interim measures. EGSC also
uses EverFi sexual assault awareness online training and Haven Alcohol and Drug awareness. Information and materials are posted on the webpages of Counseling and Disability Services, Police Department, Human Resources, Housing, Student Conduct, Student Life and Student Affairs. East Georgia State College Police Department may also participate in such programs. Counseling and Disability Services provides resources and videos during Fall semester to students and employees. Domestic violence awareness brochures, emergency shelter information, and victim advocate contact information is provided to students. During the college’s annual “Compliance Month” training event, faculty and staff will receive annual training on prevention and awareness of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking, how to respond if a victim, what to do if you receive a report, college and off campus resources, the college disciplinary process and possible sanctions, and the role of the Title IX Coordinator.

**Conduct Proceedings**

EGSC strictly prohibits all acts of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. In addition to facing criminal action, students and employees may also face disciplinary action by EGSC. Individuals found responsible for having committed such a violation face permanent expulsion, termination of employment, suspension, and/ or probation. Incidents involving accused students will be handled by the Office of Student Conduct, and incidents involving accused employees will be handled by the Office of Human Resources.

All conduct proceedings, whether the conduct is reported to have occurred on or off campus, shall provide a prompt, fair and impartial investigation and resolution by officials who have received annual training on the nature of the types of cases they are handling, on how to conduct an investigation, and conduct a hearing in a manner that protects the safety of victims and promotes accountability. Determination of responsibility shall be made by the hearing panel using the preponderance of the evidence standard (which means that it is more likely than not that the alleged misconduct occurred).

In all proceedings, including any related meetings, both the accused and accuser are entitled to the same opportunities to have others present including the right to be accompanied by an advisor of their choice. Both the accused and accuser shall simultaneously be informed in writing of the outcome made by the hearing panel of procedures for appealing the results of the outcome, of any change to the results that occurs prior to the time that they become final, and when such results become final.


**Sex Offender Registration – Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act**

**Megan’s Law**

Members of the general public may access information concerning sexually violent predators in a particular Georgia community by visiting the GBI Sex Offender Registry. Convicted sexual abuse offenders in the State of Georgia are required to register as sexual abuse offenders in the location where they live. The GBI Sex Offender Registry can be found at: [http://gbi.georgia.gov/georgia-sex-offender-registry](http://gbi.georgia.gov/georgia-sex-offender-registry)

**Missing Student Notification Policy**

The Clery Act requires institutions that maintain on campus housing facilities to establish a missing student notification policy and related procedures (20 USC 1092 (j) Section 488 of the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008). EGC Statesboro campus consists of one building that houses administrative offices and classrooms; no residential facilities are located on the EGSC Statesboro campus.

**Daily Crime Log**

EGSC Police maintains a Daily Crime Log of all crime reported to the Department. The log is available 24 hours per day to members of public, on the department website. This log identifies the type, location, and time of each criminal incident
reported to EGSC Police. Entries are made within three business days unless the disclosure is prohibited by law or would jeopardize the confidentiality of the victim.

The most current 60 days of information is available in the Police Department office. Upon request a copy of the Daily Crime and Fire Log will be made available for viewing, within 48 hours of notice.

POLICIES GOVERNING ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS

EGSC Alcohol and Drug Policy

Drug and Alcohol Policy Statements
Alcoholic Beverages: East Georgia State College prohibits the possession, consumption, distribution, manufacture or sale of an alcoholic beverage or container on East Georgia State College campus or at off campus institutionally sponsored events. No student shall be under the influence of alcohol while on East Georgia State College property or at off campus institutionally approved events. The enforcement of alcohol laws on-campus is the primary responsibility of the EGSC Police Department. Violators are subject to college disciplinary action, criminal prosecution, fine and imprisonment. Per OCGA 3-3-23 it is unlawful to furnish, cause to be furnished, purchase or provide alcohol to a person under the age of 21 and unlawful for a person under the age of 21 to knowingly possess any alcoholic beverage. Student organizations or groups violating alcohol/substance policies or laws may be subject to disciplinary action as defined in the EGSC Student Handbook.

Drugs: East Georgia State College prohibits the possession, consumption, distribution, manufacture or sale (without a valid dental or medical prescription) of illegal or dangerous drugs or drug-related paraphernalia on East Georgia State College property or at institutionally approved events. Additionally, no student shall be under the influence of illegal or dangerous drugs while on East Georgia State College property or at institutionally approved events. Students convicted of drug offenses will be subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including expulsion, state and/or federal sanctions, imprisonment and/or fines and loss of student-aid eligibility for a specified period of time. Specific institutional sanctions are noted in the EGSC Student Handbook and state and federal sanctions noted on the EGSC Police website:


http://www.ega.edu/police

The EGSC Police Department will enforce all state and federal laws pertaining to the possession, use, and sale of alcoholic beverages, including underage drinking, and possession, distribution, manufacture and sale of drugs. The EGSC Vice President of Student Affairs will also notify parents of underage students who are involved in alcohol or drug related crimes.

Substance Abuse Education
The College has developed a program to prevent the illicit use of drugs and the abuse of alcohol by students and employees. The program provides services related to drug use and abuse including dissemination of informational materials, educational programs, counseling services, referrals and college disciplinary actions. During Compliance Month, the Alcohol and Drug policy which includes counseling referrals and college sanctions, is annually distributed to employees. Students receive the Alcohol and Drug Policy via distribution from the Director of Counseling and Disability Services in the Fall and receive instruction and materials in First Class: EGSC First Year Experience Program. The Director of Housing covers the alcohol and drug policy and education in the annual mandatory student housing orientation sessions each Fall and Spring.

Substance Abuse Resources and Referrals
The College’s Drug and Alcohol Policy provides for several sources for getting help with a drug or alcohol problem. The sources listed herein are distributed to students during various education outreach efforts as noted in this report.

Georgia Crisis and Access Line- (800) 715-4225- provides 24 hour a day, 7 day a week referral assistance and crisis intervention to anyone with mental health needs, drugs or alcohol. In-patient facilities are listed below.
Quentin Price (located in Dublin, Georgia)- (800) 868-5423 or (800) 868-5423- This facility provides detoxification services and short-term residential treatment. John’s Place Crisis Stabilization Unit (Statesboro, Georgia)- (912) 764-6129 or (800) 746-3526- This facility provides short-term intensive structured residential services for individuals.

See EGSC Employee Alcohol and Other Drug Policy

See EGSC Student Alcohol and Other Drug Policy (page 21)

ANNUAL DISCLOSURE OF CRIME STATISTICS

Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (20 USC § 1092(f)) requires colleges and universities across the United States to disclose information about crime on and around their campuses. EGSC Police Department maintains a close relationship with all police departments where EGSC owns, controls or occupies property to ensure that crimes reported directly to these police departments that involve the College are brought to the attention of EGSC Police.

EGSC Police collects the crime statistics disclosed in the charts through a number of methods. Police Officers enter all reports of crime incidents made directly to the department through an integrated computer aided-dispatch systems/records management system. A department supervisor reviews the report to ensure it is appropriately classified in the correct crime category. The Chief of Police periodically examines the data to ensure that all reported crimes are recorded in accordance with the crime definitions outlined in the FBI Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook and the FBI National Incident-Based Reporting System Handbook (sex offenses only). In addition to the crime data that EGSC Police maintains, the statistics below also include crimes that are reported to various campus security authorities, as defined in this report. The statistics reported here generally reflect the number of criminal incidents reported to the various authorities. Statistics reported for the sub categories on liquor laws, drug laws and weapons offenses represented the number of people arrested or referred to campus judicial authorities for respective violations, not the number of offenses documented.

Definitions of Reportable Crimes- FBI Crime Reporting Handbook

Primary Crimes:

Murder/Manslaughter – defined as the willful killing of one human being by another.

Manslaughter By Negligence – is defined as the killing of another person through gross negligence.

Sex offenses – Any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

A. Rape — The penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim.

B. Fondling — The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.

C. Incest — Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

D. Statutory Rape — Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

Robbery – is defined as taking or attempting to take anything of value from the car, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.

Aggravated Assault – is defined as an unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm.

Burglary – is the unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft.
Motor Vehicle Theft – is the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle.

Arson – any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

Hate Crimes

Hate Crimes – Includes all of the crimes listed as reportable Clery crimes that manifest evidence that the victim was chosen based on one of the categories of bias listed below plus the following charts. Hate crimes are defined as criminal offenses that manifest evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the perpetrator’s bias against the victim.

Larceny/Theft—includes, pocket picking, purse snatching, shoplifting, theft from building, theft from motor vehicle, theft of motor vehicle parts or accessories, and all other larceny.

Simple Assault—an unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration or loss of consciousness.

Intimidation—to unlawfully place another person in reasonable fear of bodily harm through the use of threatening words and/or other conduct but without displaying a weapon or subjecting the victim to actual physical attack.

Destruction/Damage/Vandalism or Property (except Arson)—to willfully or maliciously destroy, damage, deface or otherwise injure real or personal property without the consent of the owner or the person having custody or control of it.

Bias—a particular tendency, trend, inclination, feeling, or opinion, especially one that is preconceived or unreasoned, unreasonably hostile feelings or opinions about a social group; prejudice.

Categories of Bias:

Race – A preformed negative attitude toward a group of persons who possess common physical characteristics genetically transmitted by descent and heredity which distinguish them as a distinct division of humankind.

Gender – A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their actual or perceived gender, eg. male or female.

Religion – A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons who share the same religious beliefs regarding the origin and purpose of the universe and the existence or nonexistence of a supreme being.

Sexual Orientation – A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their actual or perceived sexual orientation.

Ethnicity - A performed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of people whose members identify with each other, through a common heritage, often consisting of a common language, common culture (often including a shared religion) and/or ideology that stresses common ancestry.

National origin – A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of people based on their actual or perceived country of birth.

Disability – A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their physical or mental impairments, whether such disability is temporary or permanent, congenital or acquired by heredity, accident, injury, advanced age or illness.
Gender Identity – A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a person or group of persons based on their actual or perceived identity.

Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, and Stalking (VAWA)

Dating Violence – Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship of romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party’s statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of the relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship. It is not limited to sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse.

Domestic Violence – A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed:
• By a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim;
• By a person with whom the victim shares a child in common;
• By a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner;
• By a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred, or,
• By any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person’s acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

Stalking – Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to:
• (i) Fear for the person’s safety or the safety of others; or
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Definitions and Additional Information:
The Campus Security Act requires that reportable crimes are broken down into four categories: on campus, non-campus, public property and residential facilities. The term “campus” means any building or property owned or controlled by an institution or higher education within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution and used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the institution’s educational purposes, including residential facilities; and property within the same reasonable contiguous geographic area of the institution that is owned by the institution, but controlled by another person, is used by students, and supports institutional purposes (such as a food or other retail vendor). The term “non-campus” means any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization recognized by the institution; and any building or property (other than a branch campus) owned or controlled by an institution of higher education that is used in direct support of, or in relation to, the institution’s educational purposes, is used by students, and is not within the same reasonable contiguous geographic area of the institution. The term “public property” means all public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that is within the campus, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. An enumerated crime that occurs on property immediately adjacent to, or within an area up to the far curbing of any street adjacent to campus property is reported under the “public property” category.

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