



**SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**2003 SAFETY &
SECURITY REPORT**

IMPERIAL VALLEY CAMPUS

A Message from the Chief

Welcome to San Diego State University Imperial Valley Campus!

I would like to welcome all new and returning faculty, staff, and students to San Diego State University Imperial Valley Campus. As members of the IVC campus community we all share the responsibility of maintaining a safe and healthy environment. Your safety while at SDSU Imperial Valley Campus is the primary concern of the University Police.

The Imperial Valley Campus is a two-year upper division campus of San Diego State University serving the desert area of southeastern California. It is accredited as an integral division of SDSU and operates under the same academic calendar. Established in 1959 by an act of the State legislature, the campus is located in the Imperial Valley on the Mexican border in the city of Calexico. The Imperial Valley Campus Offering the last two years of undergraduate education, graduate programs, and fifth year credential programs for teacher preparation, the campus accepts transfer students, from community colleges or other colleges, who have at least 56 units.

This brochure is available to the public to provide statistical information required by law. If you have questions or concerns regarding any information on this brochure, please contact the University Police at (619) 594-1991.

Sincerely,

John J. Carpenter

Chief of Police

The mission of the Department of Public Safety is to:

- Protect persons through proactive law enforcement and promote a safe and secure environment.
- Address issues that impede or disrupt the orderly operation of the academic process.
- Protect university property by initiating police action (enforcing laws/regulations, arresting offenders) and the education of the community concerning crime prevention methods.
- Mitigate liability and hazards to the university.

Department values are:

Service to the Campus Community

We value the opportunity to provide service in a manner which is fair, courteous, responsive and efficient. An attitude of respect for the protection of the worth, dignity, and the rights of all we serve is the foundation of our department.

Integrity

We value candor, honesty and ethical behavior in the members of our department. We are committed to uphold our positions of trust by maintaining the highest ethical standards as set forth in the law enforcement code of ethics.

Responsibility - Accountability

We value the need for effective use of our resources and openness in our department's communication with our university community. We will be responsible for our actions and ensure that our behavior earns the support and trust of all segments of the public.

Professionalism

We value the spirit of professionalism, having a clear sense of commitment, perspective and direction. It is developed by creating an empowering environment that encourages teamwork, innovation and constant evaluation of ourselves.

Excellence

We strive for personal and professional excellence. We have a commitment to improve our university community and earn their trust, respect and support through active partnership, involvement and service.

Safety on Campus

Our Community

San Diego State University strives to:

- Create and maintain an environment for learning that promotes respect for and appreciation of scholarship, freedom, human diversity, and the cultural mosaic of the San Diego Community;
- Promote excellence in instruction and intellectual accomplishment and;
- Provide broadly accessible higher education for residents of the region and state, as well as the nation and the world.

The University Police participates in delivering the University mission and strives to create a safe environment conducive to academic excellence. Even though the University Police works closely with neighboring Police Agencies and employs security measures to reduce and prevent crime, we believe security is everyone's responsibility, and we need your assistance.

SDSU IVC is a community of approximately 1000 students, faculty and staff located in the City of Calexico. The University contracts with a private security company to provide security services at the IVC campus. We maintain a collaborative and reporting relationship with the Calexico Police Department and do not employ University police officers at the IVC campus. We do stay in contact with the Calexico Police Department and contracted private security and will intervene if a security issue arises.

On the IVC campus, to minimize the number of criminal incidents, a competent administrative staff, contracted private security, the Calexico Police Department, students, and members of the wider campus community participate in a number of shared responsibilities to insure that the students and their possessions are protected as much as possible.

University Police: Your Community Policing Agency

Safety and security is coordinated by the University Police, located in Student Services Building Room 1410 of the main SDSU campus. The department has a force of 30 sworn police officers and 57 non-sworn support employees. Our police officers are graduates of the California Peace Officers Standards Training Academy with full arrest powers throughout the state. They undergo continued training to upgrade their skills and have been trained in first aid and CPR. University Police officers are armed with firearms. Officers are responsible for reporting and investigating crimes and traffic accidents, responding to medical emergencies, enforcement of state laws and local ordinances, and all other incidents requiring police assistance. Through a mutual aid agreement, the Calexico Police Department will respond to all law enforcement emergencies and investigate potential criminal activities that occur at the IVC campus and surrounding area. Criminal cases are forwarded to the Imperial Valley District Attorney's Office or the Calexico City Attorney's office for prosecution.

Please promptly report all criminal incidents and medical emergencies to us.

Potential criminal actions and any emergency on campus, including medical and fire emergencies, should be reported directly to the University Police by dialing 9-1-1 from any campus phone or by using one of the duress telephones located throughout campus. Campus duress phones are distinctively marked and have a blue light on top. Campus elevators are also equipped with emergency phones. Most classrooms are equipped with campus phones that can be used to summon assistance or report crimes. To reach the Calexico Police Department directly in an emergency from a campus phone dial 8-911. The non-emergency phone number for Calexico P.D. is (760) 768-2140. Campus elevators are also equipped with emergency phones. Most university offices and classrooms

are equipped with campus phones, which can also be used to summon assistance or report crimes. For non-emergencies from a campus phone, dial 4-1991. To contact the University Police from an off campus phone, please call (619) 594-1991.

Reporting Criminal Offenses to University Officials

Faculty, staff and students are encouraged to report criminal offenses directly to the University Police or the Calexico Police, but you may also report criminal offenses to designated campus officials (including but not limited to directors, deans, department heads, designated HRLO staff, judicial affairs, advisors to students/student organizations, athletic coaches), or to local law enforcement agencies. Crimes can be reported anonymously by calling Crime Stoppers at (619) 235-TIPS (8477) or via the Department web page at: www.police.sdsu.edu. The University Police, Counseling and Psychological Services, and the Division of Student Affairs will accept confidential and anonymous reports of crimes for inclusion in the annual statistical report. It is our goal to provide assistance wherever the report is made to make sure we include the crime in our annual security report.

Timely Warning Policy

On occasion, you will see timely warning notices describing recent crime trends or dangerous incidents in an effort to provide our community with information about the incidents and crime prevention recommendations. It is our policy to disseminate these notices via campus e-mail, voice mail, posting these notices on the exterior doors of campus buildings and bulletin boards and to notify local media. Once all the relative information is received, these notices will typically be posted within 48 hours.

Crime Prevention Presentations Available

As part of the Department philosophy, University Police along with Counseling and Psychological Services, Housing and Residential Life, and Student Health Services hold crime prevention sessions on the main campus each semester. Last year over 100 presentations were made on topics including personal safety awareness, rape and sexual assault prevention, Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.), property protection strategies, workplace violence prevention, drug and alcohol abuse, drunk driving prevention, combating underage drinking and others. Crime prevention literature is available from the Office of the Dean and via the Department's web page www.police.sdsu.edu. Information on safety and security is provided to students and employees regularly through seminars, films, bulletins, and crime alerts, posters, brochures and university student newspapers.

Policy For Reporting The Annual Disclosure of Crime Statistics

The University Police prepares this report to comply with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act. The full text of this report can be located on our web site at www.police.sdsu.edu. You will also be able to connect to our site via the SDSU Home page at www.sdsu.edu. This report is prepared in cooperation with the local law enforcement agencies surrounding our main campus and alternate sites, Housing and Residential Services, the Judicial Affairs Officer, the Division of Business Affairs, and the Division of Student Affairs. Each entity provides updated information on their educational efforts and programs to comply with the Act.

Campus crime, arrest and referral statistics include those reported to the SDSU Police, designated campus officials (including but not limited to directors, deans, department heads, designated HRLO staff, judicial affairs, advisors to students/student organizations, athletic coaches), and local law enforcement agencies. These statistics may also include crimes that have occurred in private residences or businesses and is not required by law. California law (11160 of the California Penal Code) requires prompt, mandatory reporting to the local law enforcement agency by health care practitioners (such as those at Student Health Services) when they provide medical services to a person they know or reasonably suspects is suffering from wounds inflicted by a firearm or is a result of assaultive or abusive conduct. Department of Counseling and Psychological Services staff inform their clients of the procedures to report crime to the University Police on a voluntary or confidential basis, should they feel it is in the best

interest of the client. A procedure is in place to anonymously capture crime statistics disclosed confidentially during such a session. For crime statistics for the City of Calexico, contact the Calexico Police Department at (760) 768-2140

Copies of the report may also be obtained at the Office of the Dean, the University Police Department Headquarters located at Student Services Building Room #1410 on the main campus, or by calling (619) 594-1985. All prospective employees may obtain a copy from Human Resources in Administration Room 326 or by calling (619) 594-6404, and the web site address will be attached to SDSU employment applications. A partial version of this report is located in the class schedule.

Policies & Procedures Concerning Security, Access and Maintenance of Campus Facilities

All buildings except the library will be secured by Physical Plant by 10:30 P.M. Monday through Thursday and by 5:30 P.M. on Fridays. We recognize that there will be some need for after hour and weekend access to buildings. After hours, a faculty or staff I.D. is required. Anyone working late or on weekends should notify the University Police. Students working in the building after hours are required to have prior written authorization by the college dean, together with photo identification. Holiday access scheduling is treated as weekend access.

The IVC campus buildings and grounds are maintained by Physical Plant and patrolled by contracted private security guards. Physical Plant maintains the University buildings, grounds and roadways with a concern for safety and security. They inspect campus facilities regularly, make repairs affecting safety and security, and respond to reports of potential safety and security hazards, such as broken windows, locks, and lighting. Periodic crime prevention surveys are conducted when a crime trend occurs or upon the physical change of office space and equipment when requested by an administrator. Many offices, labs, computer rooms and areas of campus have alarms. Call Physical Plant at (760) 768-5516 (from any campus phone dial 6-5516) during business hours or the University Police after hours to report any safety or security hazard in or around campus buildings, grounds or roadways.

Lighting and environmental improvements are constantly being evaluated. Risk Management members periodically walk through the campus to review lighting and other environmental concerns for safety. Improvements have included the placement of high intensity sodium vapor lights in buildings, in parking lot areas, in areas with heavy landscaping and trees, and along pathways frequently traveled by students. Distinctively marked duress telephones are located on campus. All duress telephones are connected directly to the University Police. Campus pay phones are also located on campus and can be used to contact the Calexico Police in an emergency by dialing 9-1-1 (toll free).

Multi-Hazard Response Plan

As part of the University's Multi-Hazard response plan, there are "safety coordinators" in each building on campus. There is one "building coordinator" for each building. Evacuation drills for each building are completed annually. The safety coordinators assist the University Police in evacuating buildings in emergencies and identifying hazards in the buildings. Faculty, staff and students should report crimes and suspicious activities 24 hours a day to the University Police.

Alcohol, Drugs and Weapons Policies

SDSU Complies with the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1990 and the Higher Education Act Section 120a.

University police officers enforce laws regulating the use of alcoholic beverages and underage drinking. SDSU is committed to maintaining a safe and healthy environment for the campus community. Alcohol and other drugs

should not interfere with the University's educational mission. All SDSU students, faculty members, staff members, and administrators are subject to local state and federal laws regarding the unlawful possession, distribution, or use of alcohol or illegal drugs.

The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of illegal drugs on the University campus or at any University-sponsored event off campus is prohibited. No one may use illegal substances, or abuse legal substances, including alcohol, in a manner which impairs performance of assigned tasks. A complete description of the University "Alcohol and Drug Policy" is available on the SDSU web page at www.sdsu.edu.

The use of alcoholic beverages must be in compliance with California State Law and is strictly limited to persons 21 years of age or older. The possession, transportation, and/or consumption of alcohol by individuals under 21 years of age is strictly prohibited. Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed in public areas.

The University Police strictly enforces Federal and State laws, as well as the University's zero-tolerance policy, for the possession, use or sale of illegal drugs. Violators are subject to university discipline, criminal prosecution and removal from the University. Students found in violation of University alcohol, drug and weapons policies may be subject to academic probation, suspension or expulsion.

Employees in violation of the university alcohol and drug policies may be subject to corrective action or dismissal or be required to participate fully in an approved counseling or rehabilitation program. Applicable legal sanctions under local, State and Federal law for the unlawful use, possession or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol range from probation, diversion, imprisonment in the county jail for less than one year, to imprisonment in State Prison. A police officer can take the license from any driver suspected of driving under the influence of alcohol and drugs who refuses to take a blood alcohol test.

The University recognizes that alcohol and drug dependency is an illness and a health problem. Individual assessment, treatment and referral services are available through Counseling and Psychological Services. Excessive use of alcohol and other drugs is a serious health problem in itself, but alcohol and drug abuse can also contribute to host of other physical and mental health problems such as unwanted pregnancy, violent behavior, HIV infection and other sexually transmitted diseases and psychological depression. Alcohol diversion programs are available from the Campanile Foundation Center on Substance Abuse and Counseling and Psychological Services. Drug and alcohol abuse prevention and education workshops are available to individuals, groups and organizations through the University Police, Counseling and Psychological Services, Student Health Services and the School of Social Work Student to Student program.

Firearms and other dangerous weapons of any kind are not permitted on campus. The use, possession, or sale of firearms or any other dangerous weapon is strictly prohibited on campus by State law.

Students may be expelled, suspended or placed on probation for committing violent or criminal acts on campus or at campus-related events. In compliance with federal and state laws and regulations, victims of violent crimes, including sexual assault, are to be informed whenever information regarding disciplinary action taken by the university is included in a student's file. Within three working days, victims are to be informed of the results of the disciplinary action and any appeal. The victim is required to keep the results of the disciplinary action and appeal confidential. For further information, contact the Judicial Procedures Officer in the Center For Student Rights and Responsibilities by calling (619) 594-3445.

Sexual Assault Policy

SDSU recognizes that sexual assault is a serious issue, and will not tolerate acts of sexual assault on campus. The University will investigate all allegations of sexual assault and take appropriate disciplinary, criminal, or legal action, with prior consent of the victim.

As soon as convenient, the victim of a sexual assault should report the incident to the University Police, the local police (if off-campus), university faculty or staff members. The victim should make every attempt to preserve any physical evidence of the assault. This may include a voluntary medical exam, not showering, or disposing of any damaged clothing, or other items that are present after/during the assault. Victims are encouraged to call any law enforcement agency by dialing 9-1-1 after a sexual assault for crime investigation, referral or transport for medical treatment, and referral to crisis counseling and legal advocacy.

The Calxico Police, with the victim's consent, will immediately conduct a criminal investigation of a reported sexual assault. They will also contact a crisis-counselor immediately, if the victim wishes. Disciplinary actions may be imposed on recognized individual students, student organizations, and/or university faculty and staff found responsible for a sexual assault. University sanctions following campus disciplinary procedures depend on the outcome and may range from suspension to expulsion. Every effort will be made to criminally prosecute perpetrators of sexual assaults. The accuser and the accused are entitled to the same opportunities to have others present during a campus disciplinary proceeding and both shall be informed of the outcome of the proceeding.

After an alleged sexual assault incident occurs, the university will assist the victim in changing academic and living situations if so requested and if such changes are reasonably available.

If you become the victim of a sexual assault on or off campus:

- GET to a safe place
- CONTACT the University Police (or your local police if off campus) by dialing 9-1-1
- DO NOT shower, bathe, douche, change or destroy clothing
- DO NOT straighten up the area
- SEEK medical attention
- SEEK emotional support from local Rape Crisis Center

Sexual Assault Response Team (S.A.R.T.)

The sexual assault response team consists of experienced professionals in various disciplines that have also received sexual assault response training and coordinate their expertise to assist victims during the investigation of sexual assaults.

R.A.D. and r.a.d. KIDS

The Rape Aggression Defense System is a program of realistic, self-defense tactics and techniques. It is a comprehensive course for a woman that begins with awareness, prevention, risk reduction and avoidance, while progressing on to the basics of hands-on defense training. R.a.d. KIDS is a personal empowerment and safety education course for girls and boys ages 5-10 years. See the department web page www.police.sdsu.edu or call (619) 594-1987 for additional course information.

On and Off Campus Resources for Victims of Sexual Offenses

On Campus

University Police (24-hrs emergency).....	(619) 594-1991
Student Health Services	(619) 594-5281
Counseling & Psychological Services	(619) 594-5220
Women's Resource Center	(619) 594-5430

Campus organizations which provide sexual assault prevention programs:

University Police	(619) 594-1991
Housing and Residential Life	(619) 594-5742
Student Health Services	(619) 594-5281
Counseling & Psychological Services	(619) 594-5220
Women's Resource Center	(619) 594-5281

Off Campus

Center For Community Solutions	(888) 272-1767
Calexico Police Department	(760) 768-2140
Imperial Valley Sheriff's Department	(760) 339-6311
Imperial Valley District Attorney's Office.....	(760) 482-4331

The University Police will assist our community in notifying or obtaining services from the above and any authorities upon request.

Counseling & Psychological Services

The University Police works closely with the Department of Counseling and Psychological Services. We work as a team in dealing with sensitive situations, and we refer persons to the Counseling Center on a regular basis. Both public safety officers and counselors have received training on threat assessments and the counselors consistently encourage their clients to report crimes to the University Police to prevent future crimes. Counseling sessions are considered privileged and the holder of the privilege is the client. Crime information can be forwarded anonymously at the request of the client. The counselors do not disclose information to the public without the consent of the client, unless there is an immediate threat to safety. Any reporting of statistics to comply with this act is done by reporting numbers and not names so the information provided by clients is confidential.

Counseling services are available to students, staff, and faculty at no cost. The staff consists of professionally trained and licensed counselors, psychologists, and clinical social workers. Counselors are also available for consultations regarding distressed or potentially violent students/employees and can be reached at (619) 594-5220.

Hate Crimes

"Hate violence" as defined in the statute "means any act of physical intimidation or physical harassment, physical force or physical violence, or the threat of physical force or physical violence, that is directed against any person or group of persons because of the ethnicity, race, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disability, or

political/religious beliefs of that person or group". Incidents of hate violence can be reported to the University Police, Counseling and Psychological Services, Center for Student Rights and Responsibilities, Center for Human Relations or the University Administration. The University does not condone hate violence and is charged with ensuring that the rights guaranteed by state law and the U.S. Constitution are protected for all people regardless of their ethnicity, race, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disability, or political/religious beliefs.

Available Crime Prevention Presentations and Prevention of Violence in the Workplace

San Diego State University has established a team of individuals to respond and provide training to prevent or recognize early warning signs of potential violence. The team consists of members from University Police, Counseling & Psychological Services, Human Resources and Student Affairs. Individual consultations, counseling, presentations, and workshops are offered on a consistent basis. Requests can be made by calling the University Police at (619) 594-1991.

Established University faculty, staff and University Police procedures will serve as the mechanisms for resolving situations of violence or threats of violence. Each allegation of violence will be taken seriously. Individuals are encouraged to report acts of violence, threats of violence, or any other behavior which by intent, act or outcome harms another person by calling the University Police at (619) 594-1991 or 9-1-1 in an emergency.

If you would like a copy of "Workplace Violence Awareness" please visit our website at: www.police.sdsu.edu or call the University Police at (619) 594-1985. Members of the University Police are available to provide the following presentations to staff, faculty and students:

Personal Safety, Sexual Assault Prevention, Prevention of Auto Theft and Auto Burglary, Dealing with Distressed Individuals, Emergency Preparedness, Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) for Women, r.a.d. KIDS, Self Defense, Safety presentations to children and parents, Use of Pepper Spray, Property Protection Strategies, Drug and Alcohol Awareness, Anti-Drunk Driving, Wellness Workshop, New Student Orientation, Transfer Student Orientation, and any other topics related to protecting personal and state property.

We do encourage participation in our crime prevention programs and ask for your assistance in keeping our community safe.

San Diego State University Graduation Rates

Institutions of higher education are required to disclose information to prospective and current students about institution graduation rates for first-time freshmen. The California State University draws its first-time freshmen from the top one-third of California's high school graduates. Since 1960, the CSU has awarded more than 1.2 million baccalaureate degrees in hundreds of program areas. More than any other senior institution in California, the CSU has maintained access for students who need to juggle academic life with work and family obligations. The rate of graduation will vary depending upon the needs of the individual student to balance work, school and family priorities.

SDSU's six-year graduation rate for regularly admitted first-time freshmen (1995-2001) who attempted a minimum of 12 units their first semester is 37.2%. Additional information regarding graduation rates of first-time freshmen is available in the Registrar's Office.

CRIMES REPORTED BY SDSU POLICE DEPARTMENT

Reported in accordance with Uniform Crime Reporting procedures and the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and and Campus Crime Statistics Act.

TOTAL CRIMES REPORTED FOR:	SDSU-IVC Campus			Non-Campus Building or Property			Public Property			TOTAL		
OFFENSE TYPE (includes attempts)	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crimes listed above or other crimes of bodily injury classified as Hate Crime (by category of prejudices)												
Race	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gender	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Religion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Orientation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ethnicity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Arrests/Referrals Reported For:	SDSU-IVC Campus			Non-Campus Building or Property			Public Property			TOTAL		
Offense Type (includes attempts)	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002	2000	2001	2002
Liquor Law Violations												
Arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Referral	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Violations												
Arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Referral	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Violations												
Arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Referral	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

SDSU Campus includes buildings and property owned or controlled by the University within the same contiguous geographic area and used in direct support of the University's educational or institutional purposes. SDSU campus statistics include SDSU residence halls. Non-campus building or property includes those owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by SDSU or those owned or controlled by SDSU and are used in direct support of SDSU educational purposes, are frequently used by students, and are not within the same contiguous geographic area as the campus. Public property includes city thoroughfares, streets and sidewalks and parking facilities within or immediately adjacent to SDSU. Years 2000, 2001 and 2002 crime statistics for Calexico city thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks and parking facilities within or immediately adjacent to the IVC campus were not available from the Calexico Police Department.