

# Abilene Christian University Police Department



## Campus Crime and Safety Tips ACU Police and YOU, Partners in Prevention

College campuses are like a city within a city. Campuses are densely populated, have high traffic volume, day and night activities, work, school and social environments.

### "ACU, Texas - established 1906, pop. 6,000"

- Daytime population of 6,000 +
- Nighttime residence population of 2,800 +
- 8 on-campus Residence Hall complexes
- 1 on-campus 200+ unit Apartment Complex
- 2 near-campus Residence Hall complexes
- Thousands of windows, hundreds of doors
- 5,000 vehicles per day

### Types of Crime that occur here in "ACU, Texas"

- Most campus crime is "Property Crime" and occurs in Residence Halls.
- Property crimes that occur include car burglaries, criminal mischief, theft, burglary, fraud, motor vehicle thefts.
- Crimes against Persons that occur at ACU include Assault and Sexual Assault

### What ACU Police do to prevent crime and protect <u>YOU.</u>

- Our department consists of 17 certified Texas Peace Officers.
- For your protection and service, officers are always on duty 24/7/365.
- ACUPD provides 24/7 police patrols of the Main Campus, all off-campus Housing, University Park Apartments and other adjacent neighborhoods and areas populated by students.
- The university has over 1500+ security cameras in and around the university.
- On and off-campus traffic enforcement.
- Bicycle patrols of Main Campus
- Regular patrols and checks of all Residence Halls and University Park.
- Full criminal investigations of all offenses
- Case filings of criminal cases with Taylor County District Attorney's Office.
- Close working and cooperative relationship with the Abilene Police Department.
- Crime Prevention Education and Awareness Presentations
- Full police authority and jurisdiction on and off-campus.

### Other services provided by ACU Police Department:

- Motorist assists such as jumpstarts, unlocking vehicles
- Engraving of personal property for theft deterrence and identification
- Fingerprinting for certification/licensing/employment needs

### Crime Prevention is A Team Effort- Do Your Part Stay Alert and Report All Suspicious Activity

## **Personal Safety Tips**

### **Residence Hall Safety**

- Memorize the ACU Police phone number: 674-2305 or 674-2911
- Never prop open doors to Residence Halls. This breaches the security of the entire building.
- Lock your dorm room or apartment door ANYTIME you leave. Most thefts and burglaries from rooms occur when the resident was "only gone a few minutes"
- Lock your vehicles at all times and take valuables out of them when you leave. If you cannot take your valuable items out, then hide/conceal them in your vehicle.
- Report all suspicious activity to dorm staff and to the ACU Police Department.

### **Personal Safety On/Around Campus**

- Never jog or walk alone, especially after dark. Remember there is always safety in numbers.
- Jog or walk in well-lit areas only. The ACU Lunsford Exercise Trail is an ideal area.
- Let someone know where you're going and your time of return
- Carry a cell phone with you when jogging/walking
- Stay alert and stay aware of your surroundings
- IF YOU ARE ATTACKED: kick/yell/scream/scratch/fight to avoid being taken away from the point of attack. Your chances of survival decrease drastically when taken away from the scene of attack.

### Remember: the best way to solve crime is to prevent crime Do your part in keeping our campus safe Report all suspicious activity



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