



# PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY CAMPUS SAFETY

## Our Mission

To serve the campus community, promote and sustain a safe environment and effectively respond to campus incidents.

Campus Safety is comprised of a team of full-time professional staff and student officers. The department operates 24/7, 365 days a year. Our office is located on the north side of Harstad Hall.

### IN AN EMERGENCY

Call 911 if there is an immediate threat to human life by either criminal act or medical emergency. Then call Campus Safety (253-535-7911) so we can expedite the response of the police and fire departments.

### SERVICES

- 24/7 Safety Officer patrols on campus
- Medical aid assistance (First Aid/CPR/AED)
- Surveillance camera monitoring
- Shuttle program available during the academic year within a several-block perimeter of campus
- Walking escorts on/adjacent to campus
- Vehicle jump-start assistance
- Parking enforcement and vehicle registration
- Building admittance assistance

### STAY IN PLACE VS LOCK DOWN

PLU has two campus building security levels. Stay in Place is used when a potential threat is near campus. Exterior building doors switch to card-swipe access only, and activity within the building remains normal.

Lockdown is for threats on campus. All buildings will be fully locked, and students and staff should stop activities and lock themselves inside a room.

### PARTNERSHIPS

Campus Safety works closely with the Pierce County Sheriff's Department and Central Pierce Fire & Rescue on emergency-response procedures for campus. The university hires off-duty deputies to work most afternoons and evenings during the academic year to provide an additional presence in the community and to provide immediate access to law-enforcement resources.



### PLU ALERT

This program is a key component to our emergency notification system. In the event of an emergency, Campus Safety will send a text message, email and phone call to all student and staff cell phones with information on the current campus-related incident.

Cell phone information is automatically pulled from student registration information, so be sure that your cell phone information is correct.

PLU also has 22 Emergency Blue Phones strategically placed around campus. These are emergency lines direct to Campus Safety. Some of the Blue Phones have external speakers that Campus Safety uses to send out alert messages to the campus community.

### ON-CAMPUS VIOLENCE RESPONSE

Violence can happen anywhere. PLU has several safety and security measures in place to help prevent and respond to such incidents. The PLU emergency-response plan is designed to safeguard campus community members with an understanding that these incidents are unpredictable and dynamic. It is critical for each community member to be familiar with campus emergency procedures and be prepared to act. In the event of a violent attack on campus, we encourage the concept of **RUN, HIDE, FIGHT**.

**RUN**—When confronted with someone intending harm, your first goal is to run away to safety.

**HIDE**—If running away is not an option, then try to find a good place to hide—preferably behind a locked door with the lights out—and be quiet.

**FIGHT**—If you encounter a suspect, fighting your way out may be your only option. Use anything available as a weapon, team up with others and proceed with caution.



## CAMPUS SAFETY

Routine 253-535-7441  
 Emergency 253-535-7911  
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