Are You A Campus Security Authority?

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act requires Colorado State University to report statistics regarding criminal offenses that occur on or near property owned or controlled by CSU.

While many crimes that occur within the CSU community are reported directly to the Colorado State University Police Department, the Clery Act also recognizes that crimes may be reported to officials who have significant responsibilities for students and campus activities. These officials are called campus security authorities, or CSAs, and CSU is required by law to identify them.

As a campus security authority, you may be someone to whom a victim, witness or other person is likely to report a crime. The information outlined below, along with the Clery crime statistic reporting form, allow you to communicate this information promptly so that CSU can take the appropriate action to alert the community and take other required actions.

For collecting and classifying incidents of crime, CSU’s campus security authorities include the following individuals or offices:

- Colorado State University Police Department
- Deans of Students and their professional staff
- Title IX Coordinator and Deputy Title IX Coordinators
- Athletic coaches, assistant coaches, volunteer coaches, and graduate assistants
- CSU Housing staff (which includes student staff but excludes dining hall staff)
- Advisors to student organizations
- Sport club advisors

Campus security authorities have a legal obligation to notify the University of any crimes that occurred on or within the locations outlined by the Clery Act that are conveyed or disclosed to them, or crimes that campus security authorities personally witness or suspect. While campus security authorities must report any crime that comes to their attention, identifying information may be excluded from the report (e.g. names, initials, contact information, etc.) at the request of the victims. Pastoral and professional counselors, when acting as such, are not considered campus security authorities by the Clery Act. Nevertheless, they are encouraged, if they deem it appropriate, to counsel their client regarding the procedures to report crimes on a voluntary, confidential basis for inclusion in the annual crime statistics.

To report a crime, please follow the instructions on the online Clery crime statistic reporting form. If you need assistance submitting this form, please contact Josh McClure at 970-491-3732.

For more information on your responsibilities as a campus security authority or additional training, review this campus security authority presentation.