

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

- Get to a safe place;
- Contact University Police (or your local police if off campus) by dialing 911;
- Do not shower, bathe, douche, or change or destroy clothing
- Do not straighten up the area;
- Seek medical attention from University Health Service at 777-2221. In emergencies, call Harpur's Ferry Student Ambulance Service at 911 or 777-3333;
- Seek emotional support from the University Counseling Center at 777-2772, University Health Service at 777-2221 or the local Crime Victims Assistance Center at 722-4256 (24 hr. hotline) 723-3200 (office).

Hate Crimes Prevention

It is a New York State University Police, Binghamton mandate to protect all members of the Binghamton University community by preventing and prosecuting bias or hate crimes that occur within the campus' jurisdiction.

Hate crimes, also called bias crimes or bias-related crimes, are criminal activity motivated by the perpetrator's bias or attitude against an individual victim or group based on perceived or actual personal characteristics, such as race, religion, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation or disability. Hate/bias crimes have received renewed attention in recent years, particularly since the passage of the federal Hate/Bias Crime Reporting Act of 1990 and the New York State Hate Crimes Act of 2000 (New York State Penal Law Article 485). Copies of the New York State law may be accessed electronically at assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?c1=82&a=81. A printed copy may be obtained by contacting University Police at 607-777-2393 or by electronic mail at bupolice@binghamton.edu.

Penalties for bias-related crimes are very serious and range from fines to imprisonment for lengthy periods, depending on the nature of the underlying criminal offense, the use of violence and previous convictions of the offender. Perpetrators who are students will also be subject to campus disciplinary procedures, where sanctions including dismissal are possible.

In addition to preventing and prosecuting hate/bias crimes, New York State University Police, staff in the Division of Student Affairs, the University Ombudsman and the Affirmative Action Office assist in addressing bias-related activities that do not rise to the level of a crime. These activities, referred to as bias incidents and defined by the University as acts of bigotry, harassment or intimidation directed at a member or group within the Binghamton University community based on national origin, ethnicity, race, age, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability, veteran status, color, creed or marital status, may be addressed through the State University of New York's Discrimination Complaint Procedure or the Rules of Student Conduct. Bias incidents may be reported to University Police or to staff as noted above.

If you are a victim of, or witness to, a hate/bias crime on campus, report it to University Police by calling 777-2393 (or 911 in an emergency), using a blue-light or other campus emergency telephone, or by going to the University Police station, located in the basement of the Couper Administration Building. University Police will investigate and follow the appropriate adjudication procedures.

Victims of bias crime or bias incidents may avail themselves of counseling and support services from a number of offices and departments on campus, including the University Counseling Center, the Multicultural Resource Center, the University Ombudsman Office or the Affirmative Action Office.

Information about hate/bias crime, including statistics on bias crimes, may be obtained from New York State University Police, Binghamton.

Alcohol and Other Drugs

NOTE 1: See also Specific Policies Covering Serving and Selling of Alcoholic Beverages on Campus.

NOTE 2: When disciplinary infractions of The Rules of Student Conduct (e.g., damage and destruction of property, verbal or physical abuse, sexual assault, etc.) are in part or in whole the result of alcohol intoxication or drug impairment, such infractions may result in enhanced sanctions. (Note: Enhanced sanctions will be limited to longer periods of disciplinary probation, additional community service hours and more extensive educational sanctions).

Alcoholic Beverages

A. Policies

1. Persons under 21 are prohibited from purchasing, possessing or consuming alcoholic beverages.
2. Persons 21 and over shall only possess open containers and consume alcoholic beverages in rooms, suites, apartments, licensed dining facilities, or at registered events (see information on application for permission to serve alcoholic beverages, in the Student Handbook).
3. All persons are prohibited from removing alcoholic beverages from or bringing such beverages into licensed dining facilities or at registered events.
4. All persons are prohibited from possessing or consuming from bulk containers of alcohol such as beer balls, kegs, trash-can punches and punch bowls; possessing empty beer balls and kegs; and possessing or using tapping equipment.
5. All persons are prohibited from selling, serving, giving away or making alcoholic beverages available to persons under 21 and are prohibited from purchasing alcoholic beverages for persons under 21.
6. Persons 21 and over are permitted to possess at any given time no more than one case of beer (288 ounces or 24 12-ounce cans or bottles), two liters of wine and two liters of distilled spirits.

Drugs

A. Policies

1. Possessing (including possessing drug paraphernalia that contains drug residue) or using marijuana, controlled substances, prescription drugs that are not prescribed to you, or other illegal drugs on campus is prohibited.
2. Making available, giving away, selling or serving marijuana, controlled substances, prescription drugs, other illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia that contains drug residue to any person is prohibited.
3. Purchasing or attempting to purchase marijuana, controlled substances or other illegal drugs on campus is prohibited.

New York State Law

A. Controlled Substances. The New York State Penal Law, Article 220, prohibits the unlawful use of controlled substances. Controlled substances are listed in