

2026 Annual Security and Fire Safety Report

University of Montevallo





Welcome

The University of Montevallo Police Department's annual *Campus Security & Fire Safety Report* informs prospective and current students, faculty, and staff to the general procedures for reporting crimes both on and off campus and includes tips on preventing theft of property and crimes of violence, including physical and sexual assaults. In compliance with amendments to the *Campus Security Act* (now known as the *Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act*) and Department of Education regulations, the crime statistics published in this report illustrate:

- The reporting of crime categories as specified below
- The reporting of specified hate crimes by category of prejudice against the victim (race, gender, gender identity, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, national origin, disability)
- The reporting of violation arrests and referrals for campus disciplinary action as specified below.

Each of these statistical categories is further broken down by geographic area: On-Campus (includes On-Campus Housing facilities); Non-Campus property; and Public Property (includes property within campus or immediately adjacent to it). See Crime Statistics for more information. The University Police Department makes annual requests to the Montevallo Police Department, Pelham Police Department and Shelby County Sheriff's Office for crime statistics taken from the public areas within campus or immediately adjacent to main campus and off campus University-owned property to be included in the *annual Campus Security & Fire Safety Report*.

The *annual Campus Security & Fire Safety Report* includes crime statistics for the following categories of crimes, as reported to the UMPD and other campus authorities, and local law enforcement: homicide (murder, non-negligent and negligent manslaughter); sex offenses (rape, fondling, statutory rape, incest); robbery; aggravated assault; burglary; motor vehicle theft; and arson. Also included are statistics for the following categories of violation arrests and referrals to the campus Judicial Coordinator disciplinary action: liquor law violations, drug law violations, and illegal weapons possession violations. In compliance with the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), UMPD also counts statistics for stalking, dating violence, and domestic violence.



Mission Statement

The mission of the University of Montevallo's Department of Public Safety is to provide quality service to the University and promote safety and security while safeguarding life and property. We will strive to accomplish our mission by partnering with the community, providing service in a professional courteous manner, and prevent criminal activity while providing an environment conducive to achieving academic excellence.

UMPD Authority and Jurisdiction

The University of Montevallo police officers are all certified by the Alabama Peace Officers Standards and Training Commission and are sworn with all the powers of a peace officer in Alabama (16-54-13.1). Officers are charged with enforcing the laws of the State of Alabama and ordinances of the City of Montevallo and have jurisdiction coextensive with the City of Montevallo Police. UM police officers conduct investigations into all crimes and offenses committed on University property and, where appropriate, make arrests. In dealing with students, UM police often consider alternatives to arrest. The close working relationship between the Police Department and the Department of Student Affairs often results in referrals rather than arrests.

The University Police will enforce parking rules and regulations of the University of Montevallo and the traffic ordinances of the City of Montevallo and the traffic laws of the State of Alabama, on all streets, and state highways, within the University property and the jurisdiction of the City of Montevallo.

The University Police Department has a written mutual aid agreement with all Law Enforcement agencies within Shelby County. We work closely with all local, state and federal agencies. Although University officers may assist other law enforcement agencies, the primary jurisdiction for students and student organizations off campus in Montevallo belongs to the Montevallo Police Department. Although the Montevallo Police Department has primary jurisdiction, University officers may respond to student related incidents near campus. University Police have direct radio communications with the Montevallo Police, Fire, and Emergency Medical Service. University Police officers may assist in rapid response to any emergency situation.

The University of Montevallo Police Department has a written agreement with the Montevallo Police Department concerning the monitoring and recording of criminal activity



by students at non-campus locations and student organizations officially recognized by the institution, including student organizations with non-campus housing facilities (Off campus Greek Housing).

UMPD's Working Relationships with State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies

The University of Montevallo Police Department has close working relationships and mutual assistance agreements with the Montevallo Police Department and the Shelby County Sheriff's Department. Assistance from state agencies is requested as the need arises. University Police communicate directly with city and county police agencies and, if necessary, communicate directly with state agencies through the use of a mutual aid radio frequency.

University Police personnel have access to the National Crime Information Computer System and the Alabama Criminal Justice Information System. These computer data bases are used for accessing criminal history data, nationwide police records and driver/vehicle identification as well as other local, state and federal law enforcement information.

Reporting On-Campus Crimes and Other Emergencies

To maximize safety on campus, the University Police Department strongly encourages anyone with knowledge of any crime, suspicious activity, or unsafe conditions on campus to make an immediate report to the University Police in person or by telephone. Reporting **Does Not** mean you must take legal action -- it may; however, help police officers stop further incidents as well as help them keep the community informed about criminal activity. To make a report in person go to the University Police Department located inside the Physical Plant Complex. To make a report by phone, call UMPD (205) 665-6500 for emergencies or (205) 665-6155 for non-emergencies. All emergency 911 calls are answered by Shelby County E-911 which will immediately switch the call to the appropriate police or fire department including UM Police. Faculty, staff and students should remember to dial 911 from campus phones in offices and residence halls.

Faculty, staff, and students requiring non-emergency medical care may contact the Student Health Center at (205) 665-6275 during business hours. The University Counseling Services is available for those in need of counseling and advocacy at

(205) 665-6245.



UMPD Response to a Crime Report

When you report a crime to the University Police Department, a University police officer will meet with you to discuss the situation. A written incident/offense report may be filed. The incident will then be reviewed to determine proper follow-up investigation by the initial reporting officer or by the Corporal in charge of the shift. If a suspect is found, the victim will have the opportunity to pursue criminal charges by contacting the City of Montevallo Magistrate or the District Court of Shelby County. A warrant will be issued if there is probable cause to arrest the suspect. If there is probable cause, you will be asked to sign the complaint, which UMPD Police officers will serve. A court date will be set and you may have to appear in court to provide testimony.

If You Don't Want to Make a UMPD Police Report and/or Take Legal Action

The University of Montevallo Police Department encourages you to report all criminal activity even if you don't want to take legal action. By reporting criminal activity, it helps us to maintain accurate records and assists us in providing a safe environment for everyone on campus. The University Police is responsible for preparing the University's *annual Campus Safety & Fire Report* and for compiling the crime statistics included in the report. We would like to keep the community as informed as possible. The information you report may assist UMPD provide police response to an emergency situation. UMPD provides a web link so that reporting of sexual misconduct can be made without coming to the police department.

Reporting Off-Campus Crimes and Other Emergencies

Victims or witnesses to criminal activity occurring off campus should contact the agency that has jurisdiction for the area:

Montevallo Police Department at (205) 665-1264
Shelby County Sheriff's Office at (205) 669-4181
Alabaster Police Department at (205) 663-7401
Calera Police Department at (205) 668-3505
Alabama Department of Public Safety at (205) 322-4691

University Police officers can assist in notifying other law enforcement agencies in other locations as needed.



Student Organization Facilities

University of Montevallo operates no off-campus student organization facilities. All student organizations recognized by the University are located on the main campus and are within the police jurisdiction of the University Police Department. If you believe a crime has been committed within an on-campus student organization building, report the incident to the UMPD at (205) 665-6500 for emergencies and (205) 665-6155 for non-emergencies.

Off-Campus Housing

UMPD routinely patrols nearby off-campus apartments and housing to assist the Montevallo Police Department in crime prevention efforts. If you believe a crime has occurred at an off-campus residence or if you are unsure of the police jurisdiction, contact UMPD and we will direct the call to the proper authorities.

Additional Sources of Statistical Information/Voluntary, Confidential Reporting

Consistent with the Department of Education federal regulations, UMPD has developed and periodically reviews policies to include in campus crime statistics reports of required crimes made to the following campus security authorities: the Office of the Vice President of Enrollment and Student Affairs, Office Student Conduct, and the Office of Student Life.

Confidential Reporting to Pastoral and/or Professional Counselors

Under the law, campus pastoral and professional counselors, when acting as such, are not considered to be a campus security authority and are not required to report crimes for inclusion in the annual disclosure of campus crime statistics. As a matter of policy; however, the University of Montevallo Police Department encourages all parties to inform potential victims, when appropriate, of procedures to report crimes on a voluntary, confidential basis for inclusion in the annual disclosure of crime statistics. All verified and unverified confidential reports made of sexual offenses that meet the reporting criteria as determined by UMPD are included in UMPD's campus crime statistics.



Additional Options for Reporting Campus Crime to Campus Security Authority (CSA)

You may also report crimes to other University officials who have been designated as additional Campus Security Authorities. Generally, any professional student affairs and housing staff members, student health clinic personnel, faculty advisors to student groups, and/or the athletic director and head coaches can receive a report for inclusion in the annual crime statistics and for the purposes of issuing a timely warning. These additional campus security authorities may encourage and assist the victim in filing a report with University Police. If you are the victim of a crime and you wish for your identity to remain confidential and desire no formal investigation, you must inform the CSA to whom you are reporting the event. If confidentiality has been requested, the listed university official receiving a crime report will gather sufficient information to allow the university to implement proper crime alerts, if warranted, and so the information may be included in the statistical records maintained by the University of Montevallo Police Department.

Submission of University Crime Statistics to Federal Agencies

The University of Montevallo Police Department submits crime statistics online to the U.S. Department of Education. Crime statistics data is also submitted on the Uniform Crime Report to the Alabama Criminal Justice Information Center.

Prompt and Accurate Reporting of Crimes

The University Police Department is open 24 hours a day with communication operators on duty to assist students, faculty and staff with accurate and prompt reporting of all crimes that occur on campus. Communication operators, through direct contact with police officers, advise and assist callers reporting crimes occurring off campus.

As noted in other sections, UMPD encourages anyone with knowledge of a crime on or off campus to report it. In order to maximize safety on campus and aid in prompt investigations, we ask that you report to UMPD with any incident that may qualify as homicide (murder, non-negligent and negligent manslaughter); sex offenses (forcible, non-forcible); robbery; aggravated assault; burglary; motor vehicle theft; arson; and any hate crime for inclusion in the annual *Campus Safety & Fire Report*.



Safety and Access to Campus Facilities

All buildings are secured as soon as possible after offices close or, in the case of a classroom building, after the last class of the day. The University of Montevallo Police work closely with department chairs and building administrators to maximize security coverage and ensure appropriate access controls. Police officers make regular checks of each building to ensure that the buildings remain secure.

Access to Residence Halls

All student residence halls are locked 24 hours a day and monitored by University Police through an electronic door access system. Only residents of a building have access through the use of their student ID cards. Guests in a residence hall must be admitted and escorted at all times while visiting in the building. Visitation policies and policies governing on campus residence may be found in *A Handbook for UM Residents*.

- Electronic Alarm Systems: A computer-based electronic monitoring system is located at UMPD to monitor security and fire alarm activations.
- UMPD monitors camera systems installed throughout the University of Montevallo.
- The Director of Public Safety provides input into the design of new and renovated campus facilities as it relates to physical and electronic security systems.
- UMPD personnel routinely conduct surveys and reviews of perimeter security to University owned buildings. Anyone who needs to report a security concern may contact UMPD at (205)665-6155 or submit information online at: umpolice@montevallo.edu

Security Considerations in the Maintenance of Campus Facilities

Maintenance issues, which affect safety and security, receive a high priority listing for completion. University Police call in work orders on a nightly basis to repair and/or replace exterior lights that are out. Periodic surveys are conducted to identify areas on campus in need of additional lighting. Groundskeepers endeavor to keep campus landscape materials from becoming overgrown so that they will not be used as a hiding place for a would-be attacker. All maintenance employees wear a photo identification badge and



shirts with maintenance department logos for identification purposes while working in campus buildings. While completing maintenance functions, employees are instructed to ensure that all doors unlocked by them are re-locked. Electrical and mechanical equipment rooms are locked with a special key for safety reasons. University of Montevallo Police monitors the Physical Plant radio frequency and has communication capabilities with that department so that criminal activity or suspicious persons may be reported immediately.

Types, Frequency, and Descriptions of Crime Prevention Programs

The University of Montevallo Police Department utilizes various methods to inform students and employees about crime prevention. UMPD makes available crime statistics, crime log, and the annual *Campus Safety & Fire Report*, which provide information on criminal activity.

UMPD offers other programs designed to prevent property crimes and crimes of violence. The University of Montevallo's crime prevention program stresses community awareness and interaction through the dissemination of material and presentations geared towards familiarizing students, faculty and staff with their responsibility in reducing criminal opportunities. Such programs range from crime prevention presentations to on-sight inspections. Our officers are involved in numerous presentations throughout the University community ranging from talks within residence halls to specially targeted programs for local schools. Safety programs are made available to parents of new students, new student orientations, on campus residence, and other campus groups or organizations. We are actively involved in a variety of awareness and prevention programs such as R.A.D (Rape Aggression Defense). Crime prevention brochures, posters and handouts are utilized in an effort to make all members of the campus community aware of the potential for crime.

Timely warnings of potential dangers and public service announcements can be sent to members of the campus community by the emergency notification system, e-mail, public address system, and on the University's website. The University of Montevallo has provided outside emergency phones equipped with a "Blue Light" in the event you need assistance. These phones are connected directly to the University Police Department. Should you activate one of the emergency phones, you will be in direct contact with the police dispatcher who will ask you to state the nature of the emergency. Police will be dispatched to your location regardless of the nature of the call. Emergency phones are located throughout campus and are housed outside each residence hall and around campus on poles with flashing blue lights.



Rape Awareness, Education, and Prevention

The University of Montevallo Police Department provides rape awareness, education, and prevention presentations to the University community throughout the year and as requested.

Illegal Drugs and Alcohol

The University is committed to maintaining an environment that is free from illegal drugs and the abuse of alcohol, thus providing a drug-free workplace for its students, faculty and staff. The University complies with federal and state law in prohibiting the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of illicit drugs and/or alcohol by students and employees on its property or as part of any of its activities. Accordingly, the University provides programs and services designed to prevent the illegal possession, use, or distribution of illegal drugs and alcohol and the unauthorized use of legal drugs. As a condition of employment, all faculty and staff must abide by local, state and federal laws and must, when required by law, report to the University any conviction under a criminal alcohol or drug statute no later than five days after the conviction. Any faculty or staff member found to be in violation of laws, regulations or University policies prohibiting the use or abuse of drugs or alcohol may be required to enter and progress successfully in a rehabilitation program. Failure to abide by applicable laws, regulations, or University requirements may result in immediate suspension or discharge and, if appropriate, prosecution, subject to the provision of such notice, hearing, and review procedures as may be available under applicable University handbooks.

The University believes that an effective drug education program aids in the prevention, education, counseling, intervention, and treatment of unauthorized use of drugs and alcohol. To that end, faculty, staff, and students are encouraged to participate in the various drug and alcohol awareness programs present on campus. A brochure listing campus and area resources for counseling and rehabilitation programs, along with a description of applicable legal sanctions under local, state or federal law, is available through the Health Services, Counseling Services, and the Office of Human Resources

Alcoholic beverages may lawfully be consumed in selected approved areas on campus by individuals who are 21 years or older. Alcoholic beverages may also lawfully be consumed by individuals who are 21 years or older within the privacy of their residence hall rooms. Detailed guidelines and notification forms are available through the University Central Calendar Office.



Emergency Notifications (Timely Warnings):

In the event a situation arises on and/or concerning the campus of the University of Montevallo, the Chief of Police or his designee will analyze information and issue warnings in a timely manner. Emergency warnings will be issued by the University's emergency alert notification system (**UM Alert**). This method offers emergency communications to all faculty, staff, and students registered in the system by phone calls, e-mails and text messages. The campus community is encouraged to register their cell phone numbers in their Banner account as it is the preferred method of notification. A warning will be sent in the event of a natural or man-made disaster. Tests of this system will be conducted periodically to ensure the effectiveness of the system. In addition to the emergency alert notification system, the Chief of Police may issue warnings on the University's website. The Chief may also use the Office of University Relations, the UM Banner system, public address system in UMPD patrol cars, and any other method deemed appropriate. Anyone with information warranting a warning should immediately contact the UM Police Department at 205-665-6155. The University Police Department's cooperative working relationship with local and state law enforcement agencies facilitates communication about crime reported to outside law enforcement agencies that, likewise, may warrant appropriate alerts.

Prevention and Reporting of Sexual Assaults

Commitment

The University of Montevallo is committed to maintaining a supportive and safe educational environment for all members of its community. This commitment reflects the institution's adherence to its mission, to its various policies supporting its mission, and to relevant state and federal laws. The University prohibits crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. To that end, the University has adopted the following sexual assault policy and procedures.

Prevention

The University of Montevallo Police Department routinely conducts various educational programs to make both students and employees aware of and to attempt to prevent rape, acquaintance rape, and forcible and non-forcible sex offense. The following are some of



the programs conducted by the department: safety and security programs during freshman orientation, sexual assault programs for groups of students throughout the year, self-defense and avoidance courses, alcohol and drug awareness programs, and generalized safety and security programs for students in the residence halls, fraternities, and sororities, and other personal protection programs designed for traveling faculty and staff.

Definitions

Sexual Assault

For purposes of this policy, sexual assault is defined as any form of attempted or actual non-consensual sexual contact by a member of the community, whether such person is known or unknown to the victim, against another member of the community. A person shall be deemed not to have knowingly and/or voluntarily consented within the meaning of this policy if, at the time of the attempt or of the sexual assault, the person is incapable of giving consent because of mental incapacitation, physical impairment, alcohol or drug consumption, under the age of consent, or loss of consciousness. For the purposes of this policy, sexual contact shall mean any touching of the sexual or other intimate parts of a person, done for the purpose of gratifying the sexual desire of either party.

Domestic Violence

Felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws.

Dating Violence

Violence committed by a person who is, or has been, in a relationship of a social, romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship is to be determined by the length and type of relationship and frequency of interaction.



Stalking

Engaging in conduct directed at an individual that would cause any reasonable person to fear his/her safety or that of others, or that inflicts substantial emotional distress

Consent

The State of Alabama does not provide a definition of consent. The University uses the State's "Lack of Consent" definition: Lack of Consent results from; forcible compulsion, incapacity to consent, or in the case of sexual assault, lack of consent also is if the victim does not expressly or impliedly acquiesce to the actor's conduct. Incapability of consent is; less than 16 years old, mentally defective, mentally incapacitated, or physically helpless.

Reporting Procedures

UMPD strongly encourages individuals to report all crimes including sexual in nature to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Reporting is the only effective way that action can be taken against the alleged attacker and knowing your rights as a victim of a crime. Victims are encouraged to use the following procedures:

Report to the Police: Individuals are strongly urged to first contact the University Police (if assaulted on campus) or local police authorities (if assaulted off campus). All agencies may be reached by calling 911. UMPD officers can assist in notifying local police authorities.

Report to Other University Officials: In the event a victim does not report to UMPD, we encourage you to report to another official such as:

- Health Services at (205) 665-6275.
- Counseling Services at (205) 665-6245.
- Dean of Students at (205) 665-6020.
- Director of Student Conduct at (205) 665-6020.

UMPD encourages that you contact someone you can talk to if you are the victim of a crime and report it to UMPD or your local authorities immediately.



Local and Campus Resources

Existing counseling, health, mental health, victim advocacy, legal assistance, visa and immigration assistance, student financial aid, and other services available for victims, both within the institution and in the community are indicated below.

Student Conduct Alex Maxwell Main Hall, Lower Level (205) 665-6020	Title IX Coordinator Alex Maxwell Main Hall, Lower Level (205) 665-6020	Dean of Students Josh Miller Main Hall, Lower Level (205) 665-6020
UM Police (205) 665-6155	UM Counseling Services (205) 665-6245	Safe House Shelby (205) 669-1877
Montevallo Police (205) 665-1264	UM Health Services (205) 665-6275	Rape Response 888-323-7273
Brookwood Baptist Shelby Hospital (205) 620-8100		

Voluntary, Confidential Reporting of Sexual Offenses

Although victims of sexual offenses are not required to report offenses to the police, reporting is strongly encouraged. If an individual is entirely certain that they will not take legal action, they are encouraged to contact someone such as Health Services and UM Counseling Center.

What about confidentiality?

Counseling services is confidential for all persons. No information regarding your visit(s) will be divulged to any person(s) or agencies, parent, faculty, or prospective employers without written permission specifying what may be disclosed; nor will any record of your visit(s) exist within your official academic transcripts or medical records. All of this being said, there are some exceptions when:

- A client threatens to harm him/her or harm others
- There is reasonable suspicion of abuse of a child or elderly person
- When ordered to release records to a court of law having proper jurisdiction.



Local news media may receive notice of sexual assaults reported to the University of Montevallo Police Department so that others are alerted; names of victims are not released; privacy is protected at all times. No pressure is placed on a sexual assault victim to report the attack if they choose not to report. Victim's parents will not be notified without the victim's consent unless required by law. In cases wherein the victim is under 18 years of age, Department of Human Resources notification is required by law and Counseling Services staff will work with the victim to facilitate parental notification if it is in the best interest of the victim.

Medical and Counseling Support Services- It is very important for victims of sexual assault to obtain immediate medical care following a sexual assault. Whether or not the sexual assault is reported, medical care will ensure the victim's well-being and the documentation, collection, and proper preservation of physical evidence in the assault.

Medical attention: In addition to care of obvious injuries, medical attention is needed to protect the victim from sexually transmitted diseases or the possibility of pregnancy. If you have been raped and consider taking legal action against the rapist, you need to receive medical care at a Medical Facility. Emergency room doctors are the physicians who give medical exams in which evidence of rape can be obtained and preserved for legal action. Without this evidence, the chances for successful prosecution are minimized. You should have the exam as soon as possible. You will need a change of clothes; the clothes worn during the assault will be kept as evidence. If you have already changed clothes, bring along any articles that may have blood or semen on them. In order to preserve physical evidence of the assault, victims should not change clothes, bathe, douche, or use the bathroom before seeking medical care. Anyone needing assistance should call UMPD at 205-665-6155.

Procedures Followed After a Report of a Sexual Offense Is Made To University Police:

When a sexual assault is investigated, the victim may be unprepared for the lengthy, public process of bringing the perpetrator to justice. UMPD respects the victim's feelings but must also observe due process of law. The following outline of a sexual assault investigation can help victims of sexual offenses understand the process of the investigation.

Immediate Response to Report: After an assault has occurred and the victim contacts campus or city police, patrol officers will respond to the victim, ensure her well-being, and offer necessary support services.



The responding patrol officers, after receiving a brief description of what happened from the victim, will inform the appropriate support personnel. Officers will secure the crime scene and interview any witnesses and preserve the crime scene for evidence collection. The officers will help the victim arrange medical care to treat injuries and potential sexually transmitted diseases, and preserve physical evidence of the assault.

When ready, the victim will be asked to provide a detailed statement of the assault to police personnel.

Officers may ask the victim to try and identify the suspect from a photo or physical lineup.

Investigators must gather enough evidence to establish "probable cause," i.e., legal reason to arrest the suspect. When the evidence is ready, the investigators and victim will appear to meet with a magistrate to ask for a warrant allowing the suspect's arrest. If a warrant is granted, the suspect can be arrested and jailed. The suspect may not spend all of the time before the trial in custody; bail/bond can be provided for the defendant at the discretion of the judge or magistrate.

There may be several judicial proceedings before the actual trial. For instance, a "preliminary hearing" may be held. This hearing, which is conducted before a judge, may require the victim to answer questions from the prosecuting attorneys and the defendant's attorney. The victim may also be asked to appear before the Grand Jury when it convenes to determine if the defendant is to be indicted. If indicted, a trial will be scheduled.

The trial will typically be held in the District Court of Shelby County in Columbiana.

Sexual assault trials generally involve testimony from the victim, the police, the emergency-room personnel, and other witnesses. If the accused defendant is found to be guilty of the crime, the judge will set a sentencing hearing which may require further testimony for those involved in the trial.

Risk Reduction

Risk reduction are options designed to decrease perpetration and bystander inaction, to increase empowerment for victims in order to promote safety and to help individuals and



communities address conditions that facilitate violence. Some examples are: calling campus police for an escort after dark or if you feel unsafe, paying attention to the location of emergency blue phones on campus, practice safe drinking, avoid illegal substances, be aware of your surroundings and remain mentally alert, plan your route and know where the “safe” places are, and walk in a group.

Bystander Intervention

Bystanders are often the largest group of people involved in acts of relationship violence. In terms of relationship violence, a bystander can be either (i) a person who is aware that an assault is occurring or has knowledge that an assault will occur, (ii) a person who observes an assault or witnesses an attempted assault, or (iii) a person who has information about an assault that has already occurred. By engaging, even slightly, in a violent situation, a bystander may be able to prevent a potential assault or assist a victim by getting help. Examples of some bystander intervention techniques are described in the following paragraphs;

Watch Out for Friends or Fellow Students: If a friend or acquaintance does or says something inappropriate, tell him or her to stop. Make it clear that his or her behavior is inappropriate. Likewise, when a person sees someone who appears to be in trouble, say something; ask him or her if he or she is okay.

Speak Up and Speak Out: When a bystander sees someone doing or saying something that is not right, let the person know that the behavior is wrong and, if the behavior does not stop, law enforcement or other appropriate authorities will be contacted. Do not laugh at racist, sexist or homophobic jokes. Challenge friends, acquaintances and other to be respectful of other people, notwithstanding their different appearances, backgrounds or customs.

Create a Distraction: If a friend or acquaintance is harassing someone, intervention may be successfully accomplished by creating a distraction. This may include asking the friend a question or requesting that he or she accompany you to a different location. If the harassment is by a stranger, from a distance ask the individual for directions or for the time. The goal of distraction is to provide the victim an opportunity to move away and to provide the abuser a chance to refocus his or her thoughts.



Get Help: Victims of violence often are confused and incapable of making rational decisions after an assault. A bystander can assist a victim by providing reassurance and staying with the victim until professional assistance is obtained. A bystander should also be willing to get help for the victim.

Do Something: A bystander should be aware of personal safety and not put herself or himself in harm's way. If a bystander sees something that does not appear to be right, they should evaluate the situation and consider some form of intervention, being mindful of the safety of both themselves and that of the person in peril. A bystander should ask the person if he or she needs help, feels safe, or wants assistance, as well as telling the perpetrator to cease the objectionable conduct. If there are no safe means to intervene, a bystander should contact the UMPD. Although most men do not commit sexual assault acts, research indicates that men are more likely to commit a sexual assault than are women. Men can also have a significant impact by learning about sexual violence prevention, speaking against it and being an ally to those who may be susceptible to it.

Obtaining Information about Registered Sex Offenders

Adult criminal sex offenders who must register with law enforcement officials must notify those officials of their enrollment or employment at institutions of higher education within the state. That information should, then, be forwarded to campus police of the school or institution of higher education where the adult criminal sex offender is employed, carries on a vocation or is a student. In accordance with the *Campus Sex Crimes Act of 2002*, the University must notify the community of where this information can be obtained. To request information regarding registered sex offenders, including those employed, carrying on a vocation or enrolled at the University of Montevallo, call UMPD at 205-665-6155. Additional information regarding the location of sex offenders in your area may be accessed at the following link:

Alabama Bureau of Investigation at <https://www.alea.gov/node/270>

Higher Education Opportunity Act Victim Notification

The University will, upon written request, disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense, the report on the results of any disciplinary proceeding conducted by the University against a student who is the alleged perpetrator



of such crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of such crime or offense, the next of kin of the victim shall be treated as the alleged victim for purposes of this statement.

Missing Student Notification

The "Suzanne's Law" requires police to notify the National Crime Information Center when someone between 18 and 21 is reported missing and was signed into law by President Bush as part of the national, "Amber Alert" bill on April 30, 2003. The federal law is named after Suzanne Lyall, a State University of New York at Albany student who has been missing since 1998. Previously police were only required to report missing persons under the age of 18. This new law is intended to initiate prompt investigations when students are reported missing. Officers must ensure compliance with this requirement.

This policy is established by the University of Montevallo in compliance with the *Higher Education Opportunity Act of 1965* (amended 2008) and applies to all on-campus resident students at the University of Montevallo.

Any student, faculty, or staff member that receives a report of a missing student should immediately notify the University Police Department, or if off campus, they should notify the local police and the University Police Department.

For the purpose of this policy, a student may be considered to be missing if the student's absence from campus is contrary to his or her usual pattern of behavior and the university has reason to believe that unusual circumstances may have caused the absence. Such circumstances may include, but not be limited to, a report or suspicion that the student may be a victim of foul play; the student has expressed suicidal thoughts or may be in a life threatening situation; the student has exhibited behavior suggesting that the student is unable to care for himself or herself; or if the student is overdue returning to campus and is not heard from after giving a specific return time to family or friends. If a member of the university community has reason to believe that a student is missing, whether or not the student resides on campus, that individual should contact the university's Department of Public Safety at (205) 665-6155. UM Public Safety will collaborate with the Division of Enrollment and Student Affairs, other university officials, and/or the appropriate law enforcement agency to make an effort to locate the student and determine his or her state of health and well-being. UM Public Safety will gather



pertinent information about the student from the reporting person or others. Such information may include, but is not limited to, the student's description, cellular phone number, clothes last worn, vehicle description, information about the student's health or well-being, or an up-to-date photograph.

University officials also will endeavor to determine the student's whereabouts by contacting friends, associates, faculty members, and/or employers of the student, and/or determining whether the student has been attending classes, scheduled organizational or academic meetings, and work. If the student is an on-campus resident, UM Public Safety may make a welfare entry into the student's room. If the student resides off-campus, UM Public Safety may enlist the aid of the neighboring police agency having jurisdiction.

Notifications

For residential students and for students who live off-campus, notices will be made to each of the following individuals within 24 hours of UM Public Safety's determination that the student is missing:

The student's **parent or guardian** as identified in the student's emergency contact information. The university is required by law to notify the student's custodial parent or guardian if the student is under age 18 and is not emancipated at the time he or she is determined to be missing. If the student is age 18 or over, notification may be provided to the student's parent or guardian, in addition to any other person identified as the student's designated emergency contact.

- **Local law enforcement personnel.**
- **The student's designated emergency contact** (if any).

After the student has been located, UM Public Safety will attempt to verify the student's state of health, well-being, and intention of returning to campus. When and where appropriate, a referral may be made to the Counseling Services, the Student Health Services, and/or a community provider.

Designation of Emergency Contact Information

Students are given the opportunity through the university's online portals to designate an individual to be contacted by the university if the student is determined to be missing or otherwise in the case of an emergency. The designation will remain in effect until changed



or revoked by the student. The contact information will be confidential and will be accessible only to authorized university officials or law enforcement personnel.

Community Oriented Policing Program (COP)

Upon request by University departments and other organizations, University Police officers attend meetings to provide up-to-date crime prevention information, and to hear the concerns of University community members about crime and safety issues. Officers also offer safety programs to their respective campus communities.

UMPD Web Site

UMPD maintains a Web site at <https://www.montevallo.edu/campus-safety/> for quick and up-to-date information on police, fire safety, and emergency procedures. State and local laws are also available. The University community is encouraged to take a few minutes to browse this site. If you have any questions, call the University of Montevallo Police Department at (205) 665-6155.

The Student Code of Conduct and University Student Conduct Process

Due Process & Student Rights

The University of Montevallo is an educational institution. At educational institutions, student disciplinary processes do not follow the same procedures as a court of law and are not intended to duplicate a court of law. However, the University of Montevallo does provide Due Process rights to students involved in any alleged violation of the Student Code of Conduct. All students involved in a disciplinary situation will be treated with respect by all University officials and will receive a timely response and appropriate resolution of a credible disciplinary complaint. The credibility of the complaint and the decision to move forward with charges will be determined after a preliminary investigation of the complaint. In some situations, relevant University representatives may be consulted.



Individuals accused of a violation shall be:

1. Notified of alleged violations against him/her.
2. Provided no less than five (5) days' notice of conduct hearing.
3. Right to a fair and objective hearing.
4. Opportunity to read and review incident report prior to hearing date.
5. Student can have no more than one (1) silent support person attend the hearing.
6. Given five (5) days to appeal decision and informed on proper procedure for filing an appeal.
7. Informed of the final decision in the case.

Individuals who initiate a sexual misconduct or abuse, stalking, domestic violence, and/or dating violence complaint are afforded additional rights within the University disciplinary process including:

1. The right to be informed of the outcome and pathway projects(s) of the disciplinary case
2. The right to appeal the findings in accordance with University appeal procedures

Complainants of sexual misconduct or abuse, stalking, domestic violence, and/or dating violence also have the right to have his/her name withheld as confidential in matters of public record keeping and timely warning to the campus community. Identifying information about the victim will be withheld or redacted in public records to the extent permissible by law.

In addition, no one shall retaliate, intimidate, threaten, coerce, or otherwise discriminate against any individual for exercising his/her lawful right and responsibility to report a situation involving sexual misconduct or abuse, stalking, domestic violence, and/or dating violence.

Student Conduct Process/Hearing Procedures

Conduct cases will be managed within the Office of Student Conduct and heard by a Conduct Educator or the University Conduct Council. Due to the explicit content and risks involved in such complaints, all conduct cases involving certain acts of violence, certain threats of violence and sexual misconduct will be heard by the Conduct Educator or the University Conduct Council.

The complainant in cases involving violence, threats of violence, sexual misconduct or abuse, domestic and/or dating violence, or stalking will receive the outcome of the case including pathway projects assigned.



The Conduct Educator or the University Conduct Council will hear information related to the case and determine if a violation has occurred. If so, they will determine what appropriate accountability measures should take place. Decisions of the Council are based on a majority vote of the membership of the Council and shall be based exclusively on the information presented. The burden/standard of proof used to determine responsibility is the preponderance of the evidence or 50.01%.

Hearing decisions will be reported in writing to the accused party within five business days. In cases involving violence, threats of violence and sexual misconduct, both the complainant and the accused will be notified of the final decision and pathway projects. In the case of a sexual misconduct complaint, the complainant and the accused have an opportunity to request an appeal of the outcome of the case.

For University Conduct Council hearings, both the complainant and the accused may bring one support person who may attend and advise the student but not present the student's case. The support person has no standing in the proceedings but may provide advice to the respective student in a quiet manner that is not disruptive to the proceedings. The student must give the Director of Student Conduct notice in writing of his or her plans to bring a support person at least 24 hours before the start time of the hearing.

The University Conduct Council

The University Conduct Council (UCC) hear disciplinary cases involving alleged violations of University policies and of the Student Code of Conduct by individual students or by student organizations. Most cases will be heard by the Director of Student Conduct. When deemed most appropriate by the Director of Student Conduct, the University Conduct Council may also hear cases. Sexual misconduct cases will be heard by the University Conduct Council.

The University Conduct Council is composed faculty, staff, and students. All UCC members receive yearly training on issues of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. They are also trained how to conduct an investigation and hearing process that protects the safety of victims and promotes accountability. Quorum for non-academic cases will consist of three faculty and/or staff representatives and two student



representatives. University Conduct Council cases involving academic dishonesty must include only two faculty members, two students, and one staff member.

Accountability and Sanctioning

If a student(s) or organization is found in violation of the Student Conduct Code, they may be subject to one or more sanctions. Students or organizations not completing and/or adhering to assigned sanctions may be subject to additional Student Code of Conduct violation(s) as well as additional sanctions including suspension or expulsion.

The following list of sanctions:

- **Informal Warning-** a verbal or written notice indicating a violation of the Student Code of Conduct has occurred, but will not be reported as part of the student's conduct record.
- **Formal Warning-** a written notice indicating a violation of the Student Code of Conduct has occurred, but will not be reported as part of the student's conduct record.
- **Conduct Probation-** a written notice indicating a more serious violation or second violation of the Student Code of Conduct has occurred; the student is informed that further violations may result in suspension. This status may prevent a student from participating in other student leadership opportunities that require a student to be in good standing with the University.
- **Deferred Suspension-** a written notice indicating a severe violation or multiple violations of the Student Code of Conduct has occurred; however, the Conduct Educator does not feel the student should be separated from the University. The student is informed that further violations will result in suspension. The student can convene classes as normal due to the suspension being deferred and not active. This status may prevent a student from participating in other student leadership opportunities that require a student to be in good standing with the University.
- **Suspension-** a student is removed from the University for a specified period. The status of suspension is not placed anywhere on the student's transcript. When a student is suspended and required to leave the University community due to discipline, he or she may not re-enter without an interview with the Dean of Students and the Chair of the University Conduct Council or appropriate designees of either party. Upon their recommendation, a student may regain full student status.
- **Expulsion-** permanent termination of student status at the University



- **Counseling Assessment-** a referral to UM Counseling Services for an assessment
- **Educational Sanctions-** reflection assignments such as an educational module, researching a topic relating to the incident and writing an essay on the topic, as well as what has been learned from the experience; or alcohol and/or drug education, if applicable
- **Fine-** a fine paid to the University
- **Housing Points-** points given for violations that occur in or near the Residence Halls (refer to Housing and Residence Life Handbook)
- **Loss of Privileges-** prohibition from use of specific university buildings and services, or participation in specific groups or events.
- **Removal from Residence Hall-** a loss of the privilege of living in the Residence Halls for violations that occur in or near the Residence Halls
- **Restitution-** reimbursement for damages or loss incurred

Appeals Process

Students involved in violations of the Student Code of Conduct have the option to request a review of the decision. In addition to the accused student, the complainant in cases involving sexual misconduct, domestic and/or dating violence, and/or stalking may also request a review of the decision. If the students request an appeal, the Vice President for Enrollment & Student Affairs (VPESA) will review decisions made by the Director of Student Conduct, a University Conduct Council. In the event of an appeal, the pathway projects or other measures of accountability originating from the initial hearing decision will be on pause until the appeal decision has been made except when such a delay may pose a health and safety risk to other members of the University community.

All appeal requests to the VPESA must be in writing and submitted using the Appeal Submission form within five (5) business days of the date of the outcome letter. The Office of Student Conduct will provide the VPESA with the appeal packet of the appealing student. The student can request an appellate meeting with the VPESA. The VPESA has the discretion to accept or deny the meeting request. This request must be included on the original appeal submission form. If a meeting is granted, the student must attend the meeting alone due to the meeting being at the student's request. The VPESA will review the packet and make a final determination about the student's case. The student will be notified of the final decision by the VPESA via email.



Daily Crime Logs

Crime log summaries include each incident's location, type, date, time, and disposition. UMPD crime logs are available for public viewing, during normal business hours at the University of Montevallo Police Department.



Map of Campus for an interactive map follow link below
<https://www.montevallo.edu/visit/campus-map/>



Crime Statistics

The annual *Campus Security & Fire Safety Report* for the University of Montevallo includes statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by the University of Montevallo and on public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. In accordance with mandated reporting requirements, information concerning the monitoring and recording of any criminal activity in which students engaged, at off campus locations and/or within student organizations that are officially recognized by the University, are gathered from local police agencies. These agencies include any City, County, State, or Federal agencies that may have relevant information and the statistics are published in this disclosure. The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus security, such as policies concerning alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes, sexual assault and other matters. The University of Montevallo Police Department is aware that crimes may go unreported to law enforcement and encourages employees of UM, who have significant responsibility for students and student activities, to report to the University Police any crimes that they may have become aware of in their daily contact with students.





CRIMINAL INCIDENT	ON CAMPUS			RESIDENTIAL HALLS			PUBLIC PROPERTY			NON-CAMPUS		
	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
ARSON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AGG ASSAULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BURGLARY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FONDLING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INCEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VEHICLE THEFT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MURDER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NEG. MURDER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RAPE	1	1	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
ROBBERY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
STATUTORY RAPE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

VAWA CRIMES

	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
DATING VIOLENCE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
STALKING	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

STUDENT CONDUCT REFERRALS

	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
LIQUOR LAW	23	15	20	22	15	19	0	0	0	0	0	0
DRUGS	5	1	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WEAPONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

ARREST

	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
LIQUOR LAW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DRUGS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WEAPONS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



Total numbers of reportable crimes that were Unfounded* 0

Unfounded Crimes: An institution may withhold, or subsequently remove, a reported crime from its crime statistics in the rare situations where sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel have fully investigated the reported crime and based on the results of this full investigation and evidence, have made a formal determination that the crime report is false or baseless and therefore “unfounded.” Only sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel may “unfound” a crime report for purposes of reporting under this section. The recovery of stolen property, the low value of stolen property, the refusal of the victim to cooperate with the prosecution, and the failure to make an arrest do not “unfound” a crime report.



2023-2025 Hate Crimes

The University of Montevallo tracks hate crimes for these categories: Arson, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Vandalism, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Fondling, Incest, Intimidation, Larceny-Theft, Motor Vehicle Theft, Murder, Negligent Manslaughter, Rape, Robbery, Simple Assault, Stalking, and Statutory Rape.

In 2023 there was one incident of Intimidation based on race and it occurred in a Residence Hall. In 2024 and 2025 there were no reported hate crimes to UMPD.



Fire Safety Report

Fire Safety Policies

Open Flames- Items that require an open flame to operate or that produce heat (e.g., Bunsen burners, space heaters, candles [including decorative], alcohol burners, halogen floor lamps) are not allowed in residence halls. Burning of incense and herbs is also prohibited, including for religious reasons.

Trash- Residents must properly dispose of all large and small trash items when the inside trash can is full in the trash dumpster outside your residence hall or apartment complex. **Do not** dispose of trash in the hallways, stairwells, balconies, parking lots, water fountains, bathroom sinks, or patios. Residents who reside in university-owned houses must dispose of trash in the outside receptacle provided by the City of Montevallo.

Smoking- The University of Montevallo is committed to the health and wellness of its students, faculty, staff, and visitors. The State of Alabama adopted the *Alabama Clean Indoor Air Act*, which protects building occupants from exposure to secondhand smoke. Accordingly, the interior of all University of Montevallo buildings are smoke free. Smoking is limited to outdoor areas on campus that are at least 25 feet away from building entrances and exits of all university-owned facilities. Smoking is prohibited inside all buildings operated or leased by the University of Montevallo including, but not limited to, classrooms, laboratories, studios, open and private offices, corridors, dining areas, restrooms, arenas, auditoriums, and common areas. The minimum outside smoking distance is 25 feet from any building entrance, outdoor passageway to an entrance or any air intake where smoke would affect occupants and those entering or leaving the area. Smoking is prohibited inside all vehicles that are owned, leased or rented by the University. Smoking is also specifically prohibited in areas identified by the university to be smoke free zones as indicated by the universal sign for non-smoking or a “no smoking” sign. This policy shall be enforced according to the rules established in University of Montevallo policies and faculty, staff, and student handbooks. Off-campus organizations, alumni, guests, and visitors using University facilities must abide by the provisions of this policy. Failure to comply with this policy will constitute a violation of official University policy and may result in disciplinary action up to, and including, expulsion or termination. It may also constitute a violation of State law and subject violators to associated civil penalties.

Smoke Detectors- All student rooms are equipped with smoke detectors. Every fall, each detector is thoroughly inspected. RAs check each smoke detector before fall opening and during Health and Safety inspections. According to Alabama law it is a misdemeanor crime to tamper with or disable any fire equipment or protection systems which includes, but is not limited to, fire extinguisher, fire alarm and smoke detectors.



Reporting- Certain fires have to be reported annually on the Fire Safety Report. All fires should be reported to UMPD for proper classification and reporting.

Miscellaneous Fire Safety Regulations

It is essential that residents observe the following fire safety regulations:

- Do not leave appliances unattended while in use.
- Do not overload electrical circuits.
- No open flames (candles, incense, kerosene lamps, etc.) or any incendiary devices are permitted in the residence halls, rooms/suites/apartments.
- Fireworks are prohibited.
- Electrical appliances with exposed heating elements are prohibited. See list of approved appliances by Housing and Resident Life.
- The use of multi-outlet plugs is prohibited, except for those with built-in circuit breakers.
- Motorcycles, motor scooters, and other internal combustible engines are not permitted inside or adjacent to residence halls, rooms/suites/apartments, except in approved parking lots.
- Bicycles may not be kept in hallways/stairwells, attached to fire equipment, or placed in any manner that interferes with exiting from the building.
- Smoking is prohibited in all public areas.
- Do not cover or disconnect the smoke detectors.
- Tampering or playing with fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, exit lights, emergency lights, or removal of smoke detectors, smoke detector batteries or otherwise, propping stairwell fire doors, obstructing halls and stairways with furniture debris and other materials is a violation of hall policies and state and federal regulations.
- Neither lighter fluid nor charcoal may be stored in rooms/apartments/houses.
- Do not allow hot coals to fall from the balconies. Before disposing of charcoal, make sure they are in a non-combustible/flammable state.
- Grills (gas, propane, or charcoal) are not permitted in the apartment area.



Appliances

The use of electrical appliances is permitted in the residence halls with certain guidelines.

Residents, in the halls, should be aware that several rooms are on the same circuit and should coordinate use of appliances so that power is not interrupted. If residents have questions about specific appliances, they should ask Housing personnel.

- Generally, all appliances should require no more than 1500 watts per room.
- Residents who repeatedly cause power interruptions will be subject to disciplinary sanctions if they do not attempt to correct their power usage.
- Appliances used in the residence halls must be safe in design and structure and be properly maintained.
- Residents should avoid appliances that disturb others.
- Appliances with exposed heating elements are not permitted in the residence halls such as heaters and hot plates. Some exceptions include hair dryers, curling irons, irons, and coffee pots.
- None of these appliances should be left unattended or plugged in an outlet.
- Only one (1) micro-fridge or one (1) refrigerator and (1) microwave are permitted per room.

Fire Emergency

In the event that either a fire or excessive smoke is visible in your particular area, please follow these simple steps:

- Contact the University Police Department at 665-6155; Give your name and the location of the fire or smoke. (UMPD will notify the Montevallo Fire Department)
- Activate the nearest fire alarm. (Note: Reverse steps 1 and 2 if doing so will expedite matters).
- Leave the building via the nearest fire stairwell exits.
- Do not use elevators.

Whenever a fire alarm is sounded, it must be treated as a valid alarm until such time that the area where the alarm was pulled is known beyond any doubt to be free of fire or any other dangers. Consequently, upon hearing a fire alarm, building evacuation will begin immediately and continue until such time as all clears signal has been given by the University Police Department or the Montevallo Fire Department. Upon arriving on the scene, the University Police will assume responsibility and take charge of the situation and will proceed with the following:

- Investigate the area in which the alarm was sounded.
- Assist with the evacuation of the building occupants.



- Assist Montevallo Fire Department personnel on the scene.

Evacuation Procedure

It will be of great assistance to the University Police Department and to the Montevallo Fire Department personnel if the all the points below are followed in case of a fire:

- Evacuate the area only via stairwells.
- No elevators are to be used at any time.
- Faculty should instruct their students to assume orderly and efficient evacuation.
- Departmental heads should instruct their office personnel to assume orderly and efficient evacuation.
- Remain calm and at no time unless an all clear is given should you return to your area of assignment.
- Whenever a closed door is encountered, feel the door, and if it is warm, exit by an alternate route.
- Do not exit through smoke filled areas if possible.

Special Note for Persons with Disabilities

If disabled persons are located on any floor other than the first floor, it is usually easier and safer to wait until the bulk of people have evacuated by the stairwell before attempting to exit by a stairwell, or if possible, go to a safe exterior window and call for help. The University Police and the Montevallo Fire Department personnel will give top priority assistance to any person who is unable to evacuate by normal escape routes.



RESIDENTIAL FIRE STATISTICS

The information below list the 2025 Annual Fire Stats for On-Campus Housing:

Residential Facility	Total Fires	Fire Number	Cause of Fire	Injuries	Deaths	Property Damage
Brooke Hall	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
College Creek Apartments	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
College Park Apartments	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hanson Hall	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Lund Hall	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Main Hall	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Napier Hall	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
New Hall	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Peck Hall	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Ramsay Hall	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Tutwiler Hall	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

ON-CAMPUS HOUSING FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS

University of Montevallo; Listed by Resident Halls

Residential Facility	Fire Alarm Monitor	Sprinkler System	Smoke Detection	Fire Extinguisher	Heat Detector	Duct Detector	Horns Strobes	Fire Drills
Brooke Hall	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/Yes	2
College Creek Apartments	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes/No	2
College Park Apartments	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes/No	2
Hanson Hall	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/Yes	2
Lund Hall	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/Yes	2
Main Hall	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/Yes	2
Napier Hall	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/Yes	2
New Hall	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/Yes	2
Peck Hall	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/Yes	2
Ramsay Hall	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/Yes	2
Tutwiler Hall	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/Yes	2