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New Jersey Institute of Technology

Public Safety and Security - 2020/21



**Campus Safety
Information Guide**

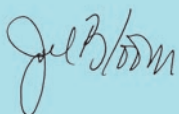
President's Message

NJIT is both a Top 100 National University in the U.S. News rankings and an R1 (rated most productive) Research University in the Carnegie Classification. Our university provides an intellectually stimulating, esthetically pleasing and safe place in which to live, work and learn. NJIT's 45-acre campus offers state-of-the-art laboratories, classrooms, a campus center, residence halls, fitness centers, eateries, the Warren Street Village, the Wellness and Events Center and a lively, landscaped campus green. Physical enhancements over the past few years have made the campus an attractive, park-like setting with easy access to all the benefits and amenities of our urban location.



NJIT police and security personnel are approachable, highly professional and are instrumental in providing a secure and welcoming environment.

This newsletter describes the safety programs and resources available at NJIT. I am confident you will find this information useful, and I encourage you to review the safety awareness tips so that you can support our efforts to maintain a vibrant campus for all.



Joel S. Bloom
President, NJIT

Trained Police Officers Provide Campus Safety

The Department of Public Safety provides protection 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The 82-member department includes a chief of police, deputy chief, lieutenants, sergeants, police officers, public safety officers and an administrative support staff. The department collaborates on many activities with surrounding

agencies, including the Newark Police Department, Rutgers Police and Essex County College Police, as well as the county sheriff's and prosecutor's offices. This proactive collaboration has proven effective on campus with student organizations as well as with off-campus resources.



Officers at the Greek Life Barbeque in the Greek Village.



Officers at the annual Meet and Greet event on the East Green.



Chief Marswillo and Officer Ayannah Kerr at the Police Academy graduation at Donald Payne Technical School.

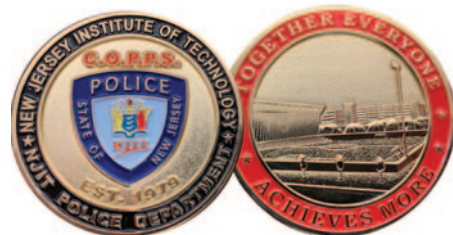


Sergeant DiFrancesco and students at the Fall Challenge Coin Luncheon.

Challenge Coin

The "Challenge Coin" is representative of the collaboration and partnership established between the police department and student volunteers that assist with safety initiatives. One side of the coin was designed by the students during the annual Meet and Greet event and the other side by Public Safety to reflect the "C.O.P.P.S." Community Oriented Policing and Problem Solving philosophy. As we continue to recognize those students who have assisted with initiatives, we have created the Challenge Coin Executive Club where we will recognize students who have received coins at consecutive awards luncheons. The awards are broken down by the following categories to create a continuing legacy:

- Platinum – 6 coins plus
- Gold – 5 coins
- Silver – 4 coins
- Bronze – 3 coins



The names of coin recipients each semester are engraved on plaques that are displayed on the Wall of Recognition in the Campus Center next to the Student Senate Office.



Security Systems, Photo ID and Parking Services

The Facility Systems, Photo Identification and Parking Services Department is located at 131 Summit Street and is responsible for the following services:

- Building Card Access and Office Alarms
- Digital Video Surveillance
- Campus Emergency Phones, Radio and Intercom Systems
- Photo Identification Cards
- Parking Registration
- Visitor Parking and Summons Appeals
- Campus Locksmith Functions
- Transportation
- Mailroom Services

Facility Systems assists the Department of Public Safety to protect the campus community with innovative communications and alarm systems that report to police dispatch. If your photo ID card is lost or stolen, please report it to the Facility Systems Department immediately so the card can be deactivated.

Campus Parking

All vehicles must be registered with Parking Services and display a current permit to park in campus lots. Students can register by logging into njit.edu/parking and choosing the online link to an automated



From left: Luis Guillen, facility systems coordinator; Mike Dabrowski, facility systems coordinator; Robert Gjini, assistant vice president of facility systems; Rich Mendez, manager of facilities systems; and Chris Erixson, facility systems coordinator (not shown).

registration system. Faculty and staff can register by mail or in person before the start of each semester.

**SAFEGUARD YOUR ID
AS IT IS THE UNIVERSAL KEY
TO CAMPUS ACCESS
AND ACTIVITIES.**

For further information or assistance, please call 973-642-7190 or visit njit.edu/parking.

Public Safety Accreditation/Campus Safety Recognition Awards

In June of 2017, the Department of Public Safety was awarded full accredited status by the New Jersey Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission (NJLEAC), recognizing best practices in all major aspects of law enforcement. Since that time, the department has continued to be innovative and, as a direct result of crime prevention and community policing/outreach efforts, great strides have been achieved to ensure the highest level of safety for the entire community. All of the department's accomplishments and initiatives, including but not limited to 9-1-1 and Traffic Safety

Division, have resulted in greater recognition of the campus and notable Campus Safety Awards. We are currently ranked 6th out of 4,706 eligible universities for our overall initiatives by "Safe Campus" National Campus Safety Summit, and the only college in New Jersey recognized in 2018. This is the third year in a row that NJIT was ranked in the top 25, with the highest ranking this year at number six. These accomplishments would not have been possible without the unwavering support of students, faculty, staff and senior administration.

Safe Campus

The National Campus Safety Summit

Safe Campus recognized NJIT as one of the top 25 universities for increased security and safety of their campus community.



Accreditation was awarded to NJIT in 2017.

Message from the Chief

The NJIT Department of Public Safety is a New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police Accredited Police Department. As such, we hold ourselves to the highest of standards as set forth by the State of New Jersey and the Attorney General's Office. We are responsible for providing and maintaining a safe and secure environment



for NJIT's students, faculty and staff. Our continued collaborative efforts with our neighboring community members and all university stakeholders assures a harmonious, respectful, and mutually beneficial relationship that fosters productive dialogue and interaction to maintain long term partnerships.

In light of the many unanticipated and unforeseen challenges we face together during these unprecedented times, we keep our campus and surrounding area safe through information sharing with surrounding agencies other local Police Departments and cutting-edge technology. All of our officers are tasked with a regular and rigorous training curriculum to ensure that they remain current in their professional knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to be effective, empathetic, pro-active and positive public safety employees.

Please feel free to speak with any of our officers as you see them throughout campus. You can also contact me regarding any questions or concerns you might have at or 973-596-3120.

Joseph B. Marswillo
Joseph Marswillo

Chief, Department of Public Safety

NJIT Department of Public Safety: Mission Statement

The mission of the NJIT Police Department is to provide the community and visitors with the highest quality of law enforcement services. We continually improve the public's perception of community safety through eradication of criminal activity and any conditions that have a detrimental impact on public safety. The department will accomplish this task while using the Community Oriented Policing and Problem Solving (C.O.P.P.S.) model.

Providing this service to the public will be conducted in an efficient and effective manner, consistent with statutory authority, available budgeted resources and professional skills. The department recognizes its members as its most valuable resource, and will strive to maintain the quality of public service through committed leadership, supervisory direction, career development, succession planning and training.

Campus-Wide Notification System (CWNS)

The Campus-Wide Notification System (CWNS-Send Word Now) allows NJIT to communicate important information on an expedited basis to students, faculty and staff via text message, phone and email. The CWNS complements other communication channels, such as broadcast emails, the NJIT website, postings across campus, and local media. The CWNS is used only for major disruptions such as delayed openings or closings caused by weather or imminent threats to the safety of the university community.

NJIT students, faculty and staff can opt to participate in the system by providing phone numbers and email addresses to which the CWNS can send text messages, voicemail and email. All



Emergency alerts are transmitted to the university community via several devices including cell phones.

contact information is confidential and will not be shared with other NJIT offices or third parties, except when responding to an emergency.

For more information visit: njit.edu/campusnotifications.

EMT and CSO Program a Success!



Student volunteer EMT/CSO's members at the end of semester meeting and breakfast.

In November of 2018, The Department of Public Safety launched its EMT/CSO pilot program. The program consists of two distinct groups of student volunteers who serve in the capacity of either an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) or a Community Service Officer (CSO). Primarily each group is tasked with different objectives, although in a narrow scope, some may overlap, that focus on augmenting and bolstering community relations between the department and the university community by providing valuable volunteer services aimed at delivering quality customer service. All students selected shifts on a volunteer basis.

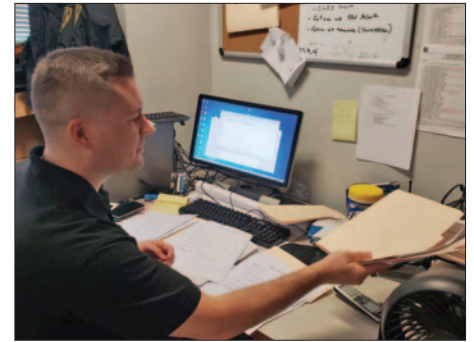
Student EMT's are a university sanctioned and recognized club by the Student Senate who have collectively drafted and adopted applicable bylaws of governance and funding. Student EMT's are first responders in the instance of a medical emergency such as a motor vehicle accident, criminal violence, natural disasters and any incident requiring possible medical assessment or attention. All volunteers are

trained and certified EMT's and were selected through a recruitment and interview process with specific parameters and requirements. Student EMT's also attended special events such as Open House and Career Day.

Student Community Service Officers (CSO's) are also part of the same university sanctioned and recognized club by the Student Senate. Student CSO's are uniformed and unarmed and volunteer under supervision of the Department of Public Safety and internal Command Staff. They serve and act in the capacity of the "eyes and ears" of the department and ambassadors of NJIT as an integral part of a collaborative effort to provide high levels of safety. Student CSO's also assisted at special events and disseminated pertinent and critical information to students, faculty, staff and guests.

The academic year closed with more than 25 members participating in the program, which will again commence in September with continued recruitment.

Detective Bureau Conducts Incident Investigations



Detective Joseph Quinn working in the Detective Bureau.



Sergeant DiFrancesco, Public Safety Officer Teresa Handford and a volunteer EMT and CSO at Fall Open House.



Officers and Gourmet Dining Services making pizza for "Slice of Appreciation Day".



Officer Raheem Denson delivered pizza to UMDNJ and St. Michael's hospitals for "Slice of Appreciation Day".

Community Policing/Social Distancing “New Normal”

As we move to our “New Normal” in response to COVID-19, the NJIT Department of Public Safety has created innovative and alternative ways to safely and responsibly maintain social connections with the university community. The department’s current Community Policing Unit has been expanded and is comprised of eight (8) Divisions: Student Life, Residence Life, A.L.I.C.E., FEMA, Greek Life, Newark Neighbors, Detective Bureau and a Traffic Unit. Each has a Division Leader and 8 to 10 officers under the guidance and direction of two (2) Area Commanders.

Through collaborative and coordinated efforts, each division is responsible for developing and implementing community oriented programs to be shared with and delivered to the university community. The existing library of presentations, campaigns and training modules currently available is being expanded to include: web based meetings, the implementation of digital presentations and trainings, teleconferencing informative sessions and increased social media connections, all of which will be available to the entire university community. These enhanced initiatives will initially be implemented until In-Person and Hands-On interaction can safely resume. Faculty, Staff and



NJIT Officers practicing social distancing by standing six feet apart.

Students are encouraged to interact with officers to continuously develop and promote new ideas that enhance public safety, foster partnerships and provide valuable information and training for the public.

Community Policing Liaison Officers are assigned to student organizations and key areas on campus to maintain contact and continuous and productive dialogue. Along with providing presentations and conducting training on campus in the tenets of safety awareness, the Community Policing Unit also has established and maintains contact and a relationship with surrounding communities through its Newark Neighbors Initiative. This includes the Historic James Street Association, the Newark Downtown District and also provides a viable platform and venue for recruitment.

Junior Police Academy

The goal of the Junior Police Academy is to establish a community outreach initiative that will educate children on the fundamentals of joining a police academy (In a modified capacity), to help strengthen the foundation of core values, discipline, and teamwork as part of the Greater Newark Community Initiative. Applications and waivers were created and vetted through the office of Risk Management and when approved, were disseminated to local area schools for purposes of recruitment for the program.

The local Newark Community Middle Schools that were visited include, The Northstar Academy, Sussex Avenue School, University Heights, Salome Urena and the First Avenue School. Officers met with the principals and educational leaders at each school and provided them with applications and flyers for distribution and promotion of the program. Eight students participated in the pilot one week program to foster community connec-



NJIT Police Officers/Instructors with Junior Police Academy Cadets on a tour of MetLife Stadium.

tions and interaction within the Newark community surrounding area.

Field trips included the Newark Fire Department and MetLife Stadium and surrounding agencies provided demonstrations including K-9 protocol. The class was held in the NJIT Wellness and Events Center from July 29 through August 2, 2019 with the graduation ceremony on August 5, 2019.



Officer Kerr handing out masks and practicing social distancing.



Police Officer John Small at the Special Olympics event.



Officers at a Toy Drive as part of the Newark Neighbors Initiative.

Campus Housing: What You Should Know

Living in campus housing can be one of the most enjoyable aspects of the college experience. Campus housing provides an environment that fosters the academic and personal growth that helps students prepare for the rest of their lives.

Building offices are located on the first floors of Cypress (973-596-5403), Laurel (973-642-7271), Redwood (973-596-5414) and Oak Hall (973-596-5653), the second floor of the Honors Hall (973-596-5527) and the Greek Village on the first floor of the Honors Hall, Room 117 (973-596-5511). Each building is staffed with a professional residence-hall coordinator or a graduate residence coordinator and residence assistants.

Residents must show valid NJIT resident identification to gain entrance to their building. Both desk attendants and electronic access card readers located at entrances strictly enforce this policy.

For reasons of health, safety and maintenance, authorized university officials reserve the right to enter a student's room. Entries are conducted at reasonable hours, except in emergencies. Room searches by professional staff and police officers are conducted only with the approval of the Dean of Students and Campus Life or if a legal search warrant is obtained. Objects of the search and prohibited items can be removed. Items that are legally possessed, but not permitted in campus



Director of Residence Life Sean Dowd and his management staff

housing, are returned to the student for removal from campus. Illegal items are confiscated.

All students are strongly urged to safeguard their campus-housing keys and combinations. All thefts must be reported to the campus-housing staff and the Department of Public Safety. Rooms should be kept locked at all times. The university is not responsible for the loss of personal property and equipment, such as televisions and computers. Students are encouraged to have either renter's or homeowner's insurance.



Your Everything Tracking Inventory

Track and recover lost or stolen items.
<https://yeti.njit.edu/>



9-1-1 campaign:
Say "location is NJIT."



R.A.D. is a self defense course providing safety education for women.



A.L.I.C.E. training prepares the university community to safely respond to active threats.

The Hero Campaign advocates a designated driver.



Counseling and Psychological Services Available for Students, Faculty and Staff

Services for Students

NJIT's Center for Counseling and Psychological Services (C-CAPS) is available to help NJIT students with the transitions and stresses of college life as well as with more serious psychological problems or crises. Professional counselors and psychologists help students increase self-awareness, develop coping skills, explore available options, and make realistic decisions. Psychological counseling around issues such as self-esteem, depression, anxiety, relationship or family issues, and substance use can reduce stress, improve academic performance and enhance the quality of the college experience. When appropriate, assessment tests or psychiatric evaluation for medication may be recommended to supplement psychological counseling services. Referrals to off-campus professionals and/or 12-step programs may also be provided based on students' needs or preferences. C-CAPS also provides group counseling services and conducts

workshops and awareness programming for the campus community on topics such as anxiety, depression, stress management, substance abuse and other addictions, LGBTQIA+ issues, etc. In accordance with legal and ethical guidelines, student counseling and psychological services are confidential and student-client information remains within the C-CAPS, with certain mandated exceptions. Information about C-CAPS and general information on various mental health topics is available on the NJIT C-CAPS website at: www.njit.edu/counseling

Services for Faculty and Staff

NJIT has partnered with Carebridge Corporation to provide faculty/staff with professional confidential support for personal and family issues. Services are cost-free to employees and include coverage for you, your dependents, spouse or domestic partner. Carebridge services can be contacted at: 1-800-437-0911, clientservice@carebridge.com or myliferesource.com (access code BTM9C).



C-CAPS staff in their office in Campbell Hall

Employees can also contact the Human Resources Employee Assistance Program helpline at 973-596-3293 during working hours from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Shuttle Service Connects Higher Education Institutions in Newark

The Newark College Town Shuttle service meets the daily transportation needs of all students, faculty and staff in the University Heights area. Serving NJIT, Rutgers University-Newark, Rutgers Behavioral Health Services, Essex County College, University Hospital, Teachers Village and to/from the Broad Street Station, the shuttle operates Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to midnight along three core routes: Campus Connect, Penn Station and Kearny. For detailed information, including route descriptions, maps and schedules, visit njit.edu/shuttle.



A student finds the next available bus time through his mobile phone at the NJIT stop of the shuttle bus.

Crimes Reported by NJIT Police, University Officials, or Other Law Enforcement Agencies

This chart includes offenses that were reported to the NJIT Department of Public Safety, law-enforcement agencies other than the NJIT Department of Public Safety, and to any official of NJIT who has significant responsibilities for student

and campus activities. Those offenses are compiled in accordance with the provisions of the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act.

Offense Type (Including Attempts)	NJIT Campus Areas (includes res-life areas)			Residence Life Areas Only (a subset of campus)			Non-Campus Building or Property			Public Property			Total			Unfounded			
	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	
Murder & Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses Forcible	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sex Offenses Non-Forcible	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Rape	1	0	5	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	6	1	0	0	
Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	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	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Robbery	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	2	0	3	0	0	0	
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	
Burglary	5	5	4	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	7	5	4	0	0	0	
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	1	3	6	0	0	0	
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

2019: One Bias Incident on campus unfounded, Terroristic Threat for Race. 2018: One reportable Bias Incident on campus, Terroristic Threats for Religion. 2017: There are no reportable hate crimes.

Number of Arrests/Referrals for Select Offense

Offense Type	NJIT Campus Areas (includes res-life areas)			Residence Life Areas Only (a subset of campus)			Non-Campus Building or Property			Public Property			Total			Unfounded		
	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019
Liquor Law Violations																		
Arrests	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	75	21	48	75	21	0	0	0
Referral	23	6	8	23	6	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	6	8	0	0	0
Drug Law Violations																		
Arrest	7	6	1	5	1	1	1	0	0	6	10	6	13	16	7	0	0	0
Referral	6	4	4	6	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	4	4	0	0	0
Weapon Law Violations																		
Arrest	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0
Referral	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Non-Campus Building or Property includes: fraternities and sororities that are recognized by the university.

Public Property includes: thoroughfares, streets and sidewalks within the campus or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

In addition to the main campus in Newark, N.J., NJIT operates Big Bear Solar Observatory located at 40386 North Shore Lane, Big Bear City, Calif. There were no crimes reported at Big Bear Solar Observatory for the years 2017, 2018 or 2019.

Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Crime Statistics for 2019

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	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019	2017	2018	2019
Domestic Violence	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0

Public Safety and Security
University Heights
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Important Campus Telephone Numbers

EMERGENCIES	DIAL 9-1-1
Crime Information	973-596-3111
General Information	973-596-3120 or 3116
Hazardous Materials.....	973-596-3059
Office of Residence Life.....	973-596-3039
Cypress Hall Desk	973-596-7161
Honors Residence Hall	973-596-5530
Laurel Hall Desk.....	973-596-5792
Oak Hall Desk.....	973-596-5636
Redwood Hall Desk.....	973-596-3040
Counseling Center	973-596-3414
Health Services	973-596-3621
Office of the Dean of Students and Campus Life.....	973-596-3466 & 3470
Employee Assistance Program.....	973-596-3293
Campus Center Information Desk.....	973-596-3605
NJIT Operator	0
Parking and Photo ID	973-642-7190
Parking Availability System	973-596-5610

Police Security Escorts Are Always Available



*The Department of Public Safety provides walking and vehicle escorts by both security and police between and around campus buildings and to parking lots and transit points on request. To request a walking or vehicle escort at any time, call **973-596-3120.***



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