

VERMONT LAW SCHOOL

ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT

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Members of the Vermont Law School Community:

Vermont Law School endeavors to provide a safe environment for students, faculty, staff, and visitors to work, study, and recreate. Vermont Law School's security is a shared responsibility.

This report covers the most recent safety and security policies, procedures, and services provided on the Vermont Law School South Royalton campus and the Burlington, Vermont office space as of December 31, 2020. It contains South Royalton campus, Burlington office, and area crime statistics in both locations for the calendar years of 2020, 2019, and 2018 and highlights programs to educate the Law School community about safety.

In March 2020, Vermont Law School transitioned to fully remote instruction due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Senior Administration, in coordination with staff, faculty, and students, determined that because of health and safety concerns, all classes, meetings, and events would remain virtual through the end of December 2020. Vermont Law School students had limited access to the library and several classrooms during the fall semester 2020. Due to a significant decrease in COVID cases in Vermont by the end of the year, Senior Administration made the decision to conduct a hybrid semester in the spring of 2021, allowing limited in-person classes for first-year students, while maintaining virtual classes for all other students.

The pandemic has had a profound effect on the Vermont Law School community, elevating health safety and security measures to new levels. The Law School is following and will continue to follow state and federal guidelines and protocols. Details about Vermont Law School's COVID-19 protocols can be found on the school's website:
<http://www.vermontlaw.edu/resources/covid19>.

If you have any questions, concerns, or recommendations about this report or about the safety and the emergency preparedness of Vermont Law School in general, please contact me directly at 802-831-1204 or latwood@vermontlaw.edu.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lorraine H. Atwood". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Lorraine H. Atwood
Vice President for Finance
Vermont Law School

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Vermont Law School Location and Mission

Vermont Law School (VLS) is located in the heart of South Royalton, Vermont. VLS is an independent, nationally recognized Law School that is top-ranked in the field of environmental law. VLS is committed to developing a generation of leaders who use the power of the law to make a difference in our communities and the world. Since September 2019, Vermont Law School has maintained a satellite office in Burlington, Vermont that offers legal assistance, particularly on immigration law, to members of the community through the expansion of the Vermont Immigrant Assistance Clinic.

B. Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act

The Vice President for Finance prepares and distributes this Annual Security Report (the Report). The Report serves several purposes:

- Complies with the requirements of the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act 20 USC 1092(f) (Clery Act);
- Explains how the Law School reports, investigates, and responds to crime and emergencies on or near Law School property;
- Informs the Law School community of the safety and security resources available to respond to emergencies; and
- Provides other safety and security information to the Law School community.

C. Procedures for Preparing and Distributing the Annual Security Report

In compliance with the Clery Act, the Report is published and released on October 1 of each year. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic last year, the release date was extended to December 31, 2020. This year, the report is on schedule to be released on October 1, 2021. The Report includes a Crime Statistics Report, compiled by the Vice President for Finance and the Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Diversity, using crime definitions found in the U.S. Department of Education's *Handbook for Campus Safety and Security Reporting* and the *FBI Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook*. The Crime Statistics Report includes statistics for the three most recent calendar years. It includes crimes that occurred:

- *On campus* in any building or property owned or controlled by the Law School within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area and used by Vermont Law School in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the Law School's educational purposes;
- *On public property*, meaning all public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities that are within the campus or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus; and
- *On any non-campus* properties owned by Vermont Law School that are reported to a campus security authority, as defined in the Clery Act, or to local police agencies.

The Annual Security Report can be viewed or printed by way of the Vermont Law School's website <http://www.vermontlaw.edu/resources/campus-safety>. In addition to being published on the VLS website, the Report is emailed to VLS students and employees on

October 1. If the Report undergoes edits throughout the course of the year, students and employees are informed of the update(s) via email. VLS Community members should contact the Vice President for Finance or the Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Diversity for questions relating to this Report.

II. CAMPUS SAFETY and SECURITY TEAMS AND RESOURCES

Vermont Law School does not have any individual, office, or campus police whose primary responsibility is safety and security. The task is shared by a number of groups and individuals, described below.

A. Leadership Team

The Leadership Team is a group of VLS administrators whose primary responsibility is to make decisions in the event of an emergency. They determine what institutional decisions must be made and what information is needed to make those decisions. They consider the appropriate use of the Emergency Notification System (VLS Alerts). They coordinate with the Emergency Team (see below) and Communications Department on messaging. They contact state/local leaders and trustees as appropriate. And, they continue the emergency status and responses until operations are restored. These VLS administrators include:

- President and Dean
- Vice President for Finance
- Vice Dean for Faculty
- Vice Dean for Students
- Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Diversity

Back-up members include: Associate Dean for Environmental Programs and Vice President for Alumni Relations and Development.

B. Emergency Team

Members of the Emergency Team represent on-campus departments and buildings and are instrumental in coordinating responses to various emergencies. Each person on the team has a designated back-up person who may be called on to participate, depending on the nature of the emergency.

The role of the Emergency Team is to gather data and information about the emergency; list impacts from the emergency and issues to be addressed; identify decisions to be made by the Leadership Team; implement immediate actions to ensure health and safety of students, faculty and staff; create and implement a plan for a broader response to an emergency; implement actions to restore operations once the emergency situation is declared over; assess capacities of communication infrastructure, including switchboard and the 800 number, email and website; continue emergency status and responses until operations are restored.

C. VLS Threat Assessment Management (TAM) Team

The TAM Team is a group of administrators, faculty, and staff, appointed by the Vice Dean for Students, who meet regularly to address individuals or situations that might require action or attention.

D. One VLS Action Team (OVAT)

This team was formed in March 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Initially designated the Task Force, this large group of administrators, staff and faculty met on a daily then weekly basis to discuss new information, monitor the overall situation, establish all policies and protocols based on CDC and state guidelines, and guide the school. Once VLS had transitioned fully to online operations for several months, the Task Force was reduced in size and in May, 2020 became OVAT. Since then, OVAT has met on a near weekly basis and oversees general emergency policies. Its members are members of the Leadership and Emergency teams and include the President and Dean, Vice President for Finance, Vice President for Enrollment, Vice Dean for Faculty, Vice Dean for Students, Associate Director of the Environmental Law Center, and Manager of Mental Health Services and Student Accommodations.

E. Counseling Services

Vermont Law School has contracted with the Clara Martin Center to provide on-campus, walk-in counseling services. The dates and times of these on-campus services vary from semester-to-semester and are circulated to the VLS Community via email on a regular basis. Consultations, evaluations, referrals, and appointments, whether on-campus or off, can be scheduled by calling the Clara Martin Center directly at 802-728-4466 or the Center's 24-hour emergency services line at 800-639-6360. However, since March 2020, due to COVID, counseling services transitioned to fully online services. The pandemic also delayed the Law School's plans to hire a full-time, on-site mental health counselor in 2020. A full-time mental health counselor was hired in August 2021.

F. Law Enforcement

In addition to being listed on the VLS website and in all on-campus buildings, contact information for local and state law enforcement is provided below:

Royalton Police Department

Emergency Phone:	9-1-1
Mailing Address:	PO Box 44, South Royalton, VT 05068
Physical Address:	2460 VT Route 14 South Royalton, VT 05068
Non-Emergency Phone:	802-763-7776
Royalton Dispatch Phone:	802-234-9933
Fax:	802-763-7711
Royalton Police Chief:	Loretta Stalnaker
Royalton Police Officer:	Marc Preston

Vermont State Police (Royalton, VT Barracks)

Emergency Phone: 9-1-1
Address: 2011 VT RT 107 Bethel, VT 05032
Telephone: 802-234-9933
Fax: 802-234-6520

Royalton Office Station Commander: Police Chief Loretta Stalnaker

G. Disseminating Campus Safety and Security Information

Safety and security issues are covered during all new student and employee orientations, during staff, faculty, and Student Bar Association meetings, and, when appropriate, during classes. The VLS website's Campus Safety link -

<http://www.vermontlaw.edu/resources/campus-safety> - hosts campus safety information, helpful phone numbers, and other useful links. The Student, Staff, and Faculty Handbooks also provide safety, security, and emergency information. Various members of the Leadership Team conduct emergency preparedness trainings to groups of students, faculty, and staff annually.

Throughout the year, presentations and trainings for the VLS community are arranged on topics such as sexual assault, work place violence, alcohol-related issues, mental health, first aid, and security and safety matters. These presentations and programs are promoted through VLS email. The Vice President for Finance, the Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Diversity, the Vice Dean for Faculty, and/or the Vice Dean for Students are always available to schedule individual or group safety presentations or to provide assistance in addressing specific issues.

The Office for Student Affairs and Diversity maintains a Campus Safety bulletin board located in the lower entry (parking lot level) of the main classroom building, Oakes Hall.

Members of the Leadership Team meet with various Law School groups, organizations, and departments throughout the year to address safety and security issues and take proactive responses to the issues presented.

III. REPORTING CRIMES AND EMERGENCIES

A. How to Report Criminal Activity and Other Emergencies

Every member of the Vermont Law School community is encouraged to take an active role in reporting hazardous conditions, criminal activity, or any emergency in an accurate and timely manner. Conditions, activity, and incidents can be reported to any member of the Leadership Team or to local law enforcement.

Any time immediate response is needed and a student or employee is unsure of whom to call during business hours, that person should call the Law School's emergency response phone number, VLS Campus Safety Line, at 802-831-1100. The individual that answers the call will contact the Leadership Team, the fire department, an ambulance, or the police, etc., as appropriate. The Leadership Team will initiate notifications to the Law School community as deemed appropriate (see section IV of the Report).

Important and Helpful Phone Numbers

On-Campus (during business hours):

IN AN EMERGENCY:	9-1-1
VLS Campus Safety Line:	802-831-1100
General Switchboard:	802-831-1000
Buildings and Grounds:	802-831-1285
Information Technology Help Desk:	802-831-1355

Leadership Team (during business hours):

President and Dean:	802-831-1004
Vice President for Finance	802-831-1204
Vice Dean for Faculty:	802-821-1444
Vice Dean for Students:	802-831-1244
Associate Dean for Student Affairs:	802-831-1333

On-and Off-Campus Emergencies (during business hours and after hours)

IN AN EMERGENCY:	9-1-1
Royalton Police:	802-763-7776
VT State Police:	802-234-9933
Poison Control Center:	800-222-1222
Clara Martin Center (24-hour):	800-639-6360
Dept. of Disabilities:	802-241-2401

B. Reporting Crimes for Inclusion in this Report

Crimes should be reported to any member of the Leadership Team to aid in providing timely campus safety notifications and to ensure inclusion in the Crime Statistics Report.

VLS does not require its mental health staff or professional counselors to report crimes to VLS administration while functioning in their capacity as counselors. Any such reports are not included in the Law School's Annual Security Report nor in the web-based report submitted to the Department of Education. Professional counselors are defined as individuals whose official responsibilities include providing mental health counseling to members of the VLS community and who are functioning within the scope of their license or certification, whether employed by or under contract with VLS. VLS does not have procedures that encourage professional counselors to inform those they counsel of procedures for reporting crimes voluntarily and confidentially for inclusion in the Law School's Annual Security Report and web-based report to the Department of Education. VLS has no affiliations with pastoral counselors.

IV. EMERGENCY AND CRIME REPORTING AND NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES

General information about emergency response procedures for Vermont Law School is published on the VLS website <http://www.vermontlaw.edu/resources/campus-safety>.

A. Accurate and Prompt Reporting of Emergencies and Crimes to the Appropriate Agencies

The Leadership Team maintains a close working relationship with the Vermont State Police, Royalton Police Department, surrounding policing agencies, and the South Royalton Fire Department. Students, faculty, staff, and guests are encouraged to report crimes and public safety-related incidents to any member of the Leadership Team. If a crime or emergency is reported and assistance is required of the local authorities, any member of the Leadership Team will contact the appropriate local department.

Members of the Leadership Team do not have law enforcement authority. VLS does not have written agreements or memoranda of understanding with law enforcement or public safety officers.

B. Timely Warning Notifications and Response Procedures

Members of the Leadership Team have the responsibility of responding to and summoning the necessary resources to mitigate, investigate, and document situations that may cause a significant emergency or dangerous situation to the health and safety of students and employees on campus. In addition, the Leadership Team has the responsibility to respond to such incidents to determine if the situation does, in fact, pose a threat to the community. If that is the case, federal law requires that the institution immediately notify the campus community or the appropriate segments of the community that may be affected by the situation. Once the Leadership Team confirms that an emergency or dangerous situation poses an immediate threat to the health or safety to some or all members of the VLS community, they will collaborate with the VLS Communications Department. They will determine the content of the message(s) to the VLS community or to the appropriate segment(s) of the greater community if the threat is limited to a particular building or segment of the population. These methods of communication include network emails, telephone calls or text messages, and VLS intercom systems.

The decision to issue a campus safety notification is made on a case-by-case basis considering the validity of the information about the emergency or crime reported, the facts surrounding the circumstances, the nature of the emergency, continuing danger to the campus community, and risk of compromising law enforcement efforts. Cases of aggravated assault and sex offenses are considered on a case-by-case basis depending on the facts of the case and the information known to the Leadership Team. For example, if an aggravated assault occurs between two students who have a disagreement, there may be no ongoing threat to other members of the Law School community; therefore, a campus safety notice would not be disseminated. Sexual assaults are considered on a case-by-case basis depending on the facts of the case, when and where the incident occurred, when it was reported, and the amount of information known by the Leadership Team.

The Law School may not provide timely warnings or notification about crimes reported to a pastoral or professional counselor.

VLS will not include identifying information about victims when issuing timely warnings or emergency notifications.

V. CAMPUS FACILITIES AND SAFETY

A. Buildings and Access

For increased safety and security purposes, several buildings operate on an electric keycard access management system: the Library, Café, Chase Community Center, Chase Computer Lab, Student Center, and the Fitness Center. Academic buildings are locked at midnight each day. Buildings are reopened and unlocked prior to the beginning of classes the next day except for Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

B. Security Considerations Used in Campus Facility Maintenance

Safety and security issues are considered and implemented in the design and placement of all campus lighting, shrubbery, trees, and other objects. Safety and security issues are also considered when planning and designing major renovations to campus facilities or construction of new facilities on campus. Safety and security maintenance requests receive priority over non-safety and non-emergency work orders. Buildings and Grounds maintenance personnel are expected to report promptly to any members of the Leadership Team any safety and security maintenance issues when discovered.

VI. FIRE SAFETY

A. Fire Safety Rules

- Students and employees are prohibited from keeping or using firearms, fireworks, explosives, weapons (including but not limited to knives, pellet guns, air guns, spring-loaded or paintball guns), or other dangerous articles or substances.
- Activating a false fire alarm is strictly prohibited.
- Students and employees are not to tamper with or remove any fire or safety equipment, including but not limited to, smoke detectors, sprinkler systems, fire extinguishers, etc.
- Students and employees must vacate the building whenever the fire alarm system is activated.

B. Preparedness and Steps to Take in the Event of a Fire

- Know what the fire alarm sounds like.
- Know where pull stations are located.
- When you see a fire, sound the alarm.
- Call 911 to report a fire.
- Call Buildings and Grounds at 802-831-1285 to report any fire.
- Be prepared to identify the size of the fire and location. Each building at VLS has a specific 911 address. These addresses are listed in the Student, Staff, and Faculty Handbooks, are posted throughout campus, and found on the VLS (portal) website under Campus Safety link.
- Exit buildings as safely and quickly as possible from the nearest exit (in any building you should know where at least two exits are).
- Close all doors behind you as you leave the building.
- Do not use elevators for any reason.

- If one is physically challenged, develop a buddy plan with someone else to help expedite safe exit.
- Notify others in the immediate area about the fire as you are leaving.
- Do not enter a building that is on fire or in which the fire alarm is sounding.

C. Fire Safety Definitions

- *Fire*: Any occurrence of an open flame or other type of burning in any area not intended to contain burning in an uncontrolled manner.
- *False Alarm*: System malfunctions, such as a mechanical or communication failure within the alarm system, and a trouble alarm is activated; the fire alarm is intentionally or unintentionally pulled, when no smoke or fire danger was present; or, there is dust in the smoke detectors or high heat in the heat detectors. Subsequently, no injuries, damages, or fatalities occurred.
- *Unwanted Alarm*: The fire alarm system activated as it was designed to; however, no smoke or fire was present. Subsequently, no injuries, damages, or fatalities occurred.

VII. SECURE THE SCHOOL/CAMPUS LOCK DOWNS

An order through the VLS Alert System to “secure the school” will be given when an immediate threat to the students, staff, and faculty, such as an armed intruder, indicates that it is safer to remain in a secure room than anywhere else on campus. Locking down the campus minimizes access to classrooms, offices, and other areas. As part of this procedure, everyone must remain in the room until the situation has been declared safe by an authorized official.

Preparedness and Steps to Take in the Event of a Secure the School/Lockdown

- Move to secure rooms (classrooms, offices, conference rooms, etc.).
- Lock the doors.
- If possible, help to clear hallways and other open spaces.
- Once rooms are locked:
 - Turn off all lights and electrical devices.
 - Turn all mobile phones to silent mode.
 - Close all window shades or blinds.
 - Stay away from windows and doors.
 - Remain quiet.
- Do not evacuate a building if the fire alarm is sounding.
- Do not respond to anyone at a door or window until an “all clear” has been announced.
- If you are off campus during a lockdown, do not come to campus.
- If you have relevant and first-hand knowledge about the location of an intruder and if it is safe, use your phone or mobile phone to call 911.

VIII. TESTING EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROCEDURES

Drills are coordinated annually and therefore, the emergency response, secure the school, and evacuation procedures are tested at least once a year. Decisions regarding designated locations for long-term evacuations or lockdowns are affected by the availability of

designated emergency gathering locations on campus, as well as other facts such as the location and nature of the threat.

The purpose of drills is to prepare building occupants for an organized evacuation or lockdown in case of an emergency. At VLS, drills are used as a way to educate and train occupants on issues specific to their building. During the drill, occupants familiarize themselves with the location of exits, the sound of alarms, the sound of announcements, and the direction they should or should not travel upon exiting or entering a building. The process also provides the Law School with an opportunity to test the operation of the fire alarm system components and the Law School's announcement and intercom systems.

Drills are monitored by various members of the Leadership Team to evaluate egress and equipment issues. Post-drill debrief sessions are held to identify deficient equipment so that repairs can be made immediately. Recommendations for improvements are also submitted to the appropriate departments and offices for consideration.

IX. INCIDENT REPORT AND CRIME LOG

The Law School's Campus Incident Report Log is maintained by Deans Suite personnel and is housed on the second floor of Debevoise Hall in Suite 203. Any VLS community member may view the Log upon request. These requests are to be directed to the Vice Dean for Finance or the Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Diversity. The Log lists reported crimes and incidents that occurred on campus. Entries include the nature, date, time, and general location of each incident and the disposition of the complaint, if known. This information is updated unless such disclosure is prohibited by law or would jeopardize the confidential identity of the victim. VLS will not include identifying information about victims in the Log. The Law School may withhold information from the Log if the release of the information would jeopardize an ongoing criminal investigation or the safety of an individual, cause a suspect to flee or evade detection, or result in the destruction of evidence. Once the adverse effect described above is no longer likely to occur, the Law School will disclose all withheld information in the Log.

X. DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICIES

A. VLS Alcohol Policy

Vermont Law School's Alcohol Policy is congruent with Vermont State law, local regulations, and the mission of Vermont Law School and is promulgated to assure the appropriate distribution and consumption of alcoholic beverages at campus events. The administration and interpretation of the alcohol policy ultimately rests with the President and Dean or their designees who, in this instance, are the Vice President for Finance, the Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Diversity, the Vice Dean for Students, and the Vice Dean for Faculty. The complete *VLS Alcohol Policy* (last amended on June 23, 2021) may be found in the [2021-2022 VLS Student Handbook](#) on page 134.

B. Program for the Elimination of Alcohol and Substance Abuse

The Federal Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989 require that Vermont Law School implement a program for the elimination of alcohol and substance

abuse. The complete details of the program, legal sanctions, drug use and the ineligibility for federal financial aid, health risks, and the effects of controlled substances can be found in the *2021-2022 VLS Student Handbook* on page 136.

C. Safe Ride

Safe Ride is a transportation service managed by VLS student ambassadors and supervised by the Associate Dean for Students and Diversity. Safe Ride provides transportation to VLS community members to and from Law School-related events. Safe Ride can be reached at 802-299-1116 or 802-299-1117.

XI. VLS POLICY AGAINST HARASSMENT, SEXUAL HARASSMENT, DISCRIMINATION, AND RETALIATION

This policy applies to all Vermont Law School employees, officers, trustees, and students and contains general provisions, with definitions and resources, and procedures for handling complaints of harassment, sexual harassment, discrimination or retaliation. It can be found in the *2021-2022 VLS Student Handbook* on page 113.

XII. TITLE IX

Pursuant to Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and the U.S. Department of Education's implementing regulations 34 C.F.R. Part 106, the Law School's Title IX coordinators have primary responsibility for coordinating the Law School's efforts to comply with and carry out its responsibilities under Title IX, which include the Law School's efforts to respond to reports of sexual misconduct. The functions and responsibilities of the Title IX Coordinator and Deputy Coordinator are provided on page 114 in the *2021-2022 VLS Student Handbook*.

Title IX Coordinator:	Jeannie Oliver, Professor of Law
Title IX Deputy Coordinator:	Betsy Erwin, Director of Human Resources

XII. SEXUAL HARASSMENT, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, DATING VIOLENCE, AND TALKING PROHIBITED BY TITLE IX POLICY

Sexual misconduct, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking violate Vermont Law School's *Code of Conduct* and often constitute a crime. The purpose of the Law School's *Sexual Harassment, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Policy* is to make clear that sexual misconduct, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, as defined herein, violate Vermont Law School's *Code of Conduct*. The policy also provides members of the VLS community who may have been subject to conduct that violates the policy with information about reporting incidents of prohibited conduct and available resources. The Law School's complete policy, resources, and procedures can be found in *2021-2022 VLS Student Handbook* on page 119.

XIII. CAMPUS SEX CRIMES PREVENTION ACT NOTIFICATION

State law mandates that the Vermont Department of Public Safety maintain a sex offender database and website on the internet that is accessible to the public. Members of the Vermont Law School community may contact the Vermont Department of Public Safety's Sex Offender Registry website for information concerning registered sex offenders <https://vcic.vermont.gov/sor>.

**VERMONT LAW SCHOOL
CRIME STATISTICS REPORT
2021**

Definitions Listed in the Crime Statistics Report

Under the Clery Act, criminal offense, hate crime, arrest, and disciplinary statistics must be based on definitions provided by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program. The definitions below are sourced from:

- *Summary Reporting System (SRS) User Manual* from the FBI USR Program
- FBI's *National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS) Data Collection Guidelines*
- U.S. Department of Education's *Handbook for Campus Safety and Security Report 2016 Edition*
- U.S. Department of Education Office of Postsecondary Education *User's Guide for the Campus Safety and Security Web-Based Data Collection*

Aggravated Assault – Any unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault is usually accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm.

Arrests – Persons processed by arrest, citation, or summons.

Arson – Any willful or malicious burning, or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public house, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

Burglary – The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or theft.

Dating Violence – Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim.

Domestic Violence – A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed –

- By a current or former spouse or intimate partner 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 or intimate partner;
- By a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred;
- 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 of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

Drug Law Violation – The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution, and/or use of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their preparation and/or use. The unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution and sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation, or importation of any controlled drug or narcotic substance. Arrests for violations of state and local laws, specifically those related to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growth, and manufacture of narcotic drugs. Relevant substances include: opium or cocaine and their derivatives (morphine, heroin, codeine), marijuana, synthetic narcotics – manufactured narcotics which can cause true addiction (Demerol, methadone), and dangerous non-narcotic drugs (barbiturates, Benzedrine).

Fondling – The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.

Hate Crime – A criminal offense committed against a person or property which is motivated, in whole or in part, by the offender's bias. Although there are many possible categories of bias, under the Clery Act, only the following eight categories are reported: race, religion, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, ethnicity, national origin, and disability.

Incest – Non-forcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

Liquor Abuse Violation – Violation of the state or local laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession or use of alcoholic beverages, not including driving under the influence and drunkenness.

Manslaughter by Negligence – The killing of another person through gross negligence.

Motor Vehicle Theft – The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle.

Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter – The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

Rape – the penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus, with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim, or when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of their temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity or because of their youth.

Referral for Disciplinary Action – The referral of any person to any official who initiates a disciplinary action of which a record is established and which may result in the imposition of a sanction.

Robbery – The taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.

Sexual Assault (Sex Offenses) – Any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that person’s will, or not forcibly or against the person’s will where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

Stalking – Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for the person’s safety or the safety of others or suffer substantial emotional distress.

Statutory Rape – Sexual intercourse with a person under the statutory age of consent.

Unfounded Crime – A crime is considered unfounded for Clery Act purposes only if sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel make a formal determination that the report is false or baseless, meaning that the crime did not occur or was never attempted.

Crime Statistics Sourcing – South Royalton, Vermont

In addition to the Law School’s Campus Incident Report Log, the administration corresponds with local law enforcement to obtain the data reported below:

CRIMINAL OFFENSES REPORTING TABLE				
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON-CAMPUS PROPERTY South Royalton	NON CAMPUS PROPERTY South Royalton	PUBLIC PROPERTY South Royalton
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
	2018	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
	2018	0	0	0
Rape	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
	2018	0	0	0
Fondling	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
	2018	0	0	0
Incest	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
	2018	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0

	2018	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
Robbery	2019	0	0	0
	2018	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	2019	0	0	0
	2018	1	0	2
	2020	0	0	0
Burglary	2019	0	0	0
	2018	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	2019	1	0	0
	2018	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
Arson	2019	0	0	0
	2018	0	0	0

VAWA OFFENSES REPORTING TABLE					
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON-CAMPUS PROPERTY South Royalton	NON CAMPUS PROPERTY South Royalton	PUBLIC PROPERTY South Royalton	
Domestic Violence	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	
Dating Violence	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	3	
Stalking	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	

ARRESTS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS/REFERRALS					
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS PROPERTY South Royalton	NON CAMPUS PROPERTY South Royalton	PUBLIC PROPERTY South Royalton	
Arrests: Weapons: Carrying, possessing, etc.	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	
Disciplinary Actions: Weapons: Carrying, possession, etc.	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	
Arrests: Drug Abuse Violations	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	
Disciplinary Actions: Drug Abuse Violations	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	
Arrests: Liquor Law Violations	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	
Disciplinary Actions: Liquor Law Violations	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
	2018	2	0	0	

HATE CRIMES REPORTING TABLE	
There were no reported Hate Crimes for the years 2018, 2019, or 2020.	

UNFOUNDED CRIMES REPORTING TABLE					
	YEAR	ON-CAMPUS PROPERTY South Royalton	NON CAMPUS PROPERTY South Royalton	PUBLIC PROPERTY South Royalton	
Unfounded Crimes	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	

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In addition to the Law School's Campus Incident Report Log, the administration corresponds with Burlington law enforcement to obtain the data reported below:

CRIMINAL OFFENSES REPORTING TABLE					
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON-CAMPUS PROPERTY Burlington	NON CAMPUS PROPERTY Burlington	PUBLIC PROPERTY Burlington	
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
Manslaughter by Negligence	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
Rape	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
Fondling	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
Incest	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
Statutory Rape	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
Robbery	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
Aggravated Assault	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
Burglary	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
Motor Vehicle Theft	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	
Arson	2020	0	0	0	
	2019	0	0	0	

VAWA OFFENSES REPORTING TABLE				
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON-CAMPUS PROPERTY Burlington	NON CAMPUS PROPERTY Burlington	PUBLIC PROPERTY Burlington
Domestic Violence	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
Dating Violence	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
Stalking	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0

ARRESTS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS/REFERRALS				
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS PROPERTY Burlington	NON CAMPUS PROPERTY Burlington	PUBLIC PROPERTY Burlington
Arrests: Weapons: Carrying, possessing, etc.	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
Disciplinary Actions: Weapons: Carrying, possession, etc.	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
Arrests: Drug Abuse Violations	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
Disciplinary Actions: Drug Abuse Violations	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
Arrests: Liquor Law Violations	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
Disciplinary Actions: Liquor Law Violations	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0

HATE CRIMES REPORTING TABLE
There were no reported Hate Crimes for the years 2019 or 2020.

UNFOUNDED CRIMES REPORTING TABLE				
	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS PROPERTY Burlington	NON CAMPUS PROPERTY Burlington	PUBLIC PROPERTY Burlington
Unfounded Crimes	2020	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0