

I. Application

This policy applies to all persons who are enrolled, employed by, visiting or providing services to _____ University.

This policy applies equally to those persons that have a government issued license to carry a concealed firearm.

II. Purpose

_____ University is an institution of higher learning and an instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania created by Act 188 of 1982, which authorizes the President of the University to establish policies governing the use of University facilities and property. The Chancellor and the President of the University are responsible under Act 188 of 1982 to provide a safe and secure educational environment. Accordingly, _____ University adopts the following policy and procedure addressing the possession of deadly or offensive weapons.

III. Policy

The possession or carrying of any deadly or offensive weapon by any person is prohibited in University academic buildings, administrative buildings, students residence buildings, dining facilities, student recreation building, student union building or while attending a sporting, entertainment, recreational or educational event on the university's property. Entry upon University property in violation of this prohibition is expressly forbidden and will result in the individual being directed to remove the weapon

immediately from University property. Failure to comply with such directive may result in further disciplinary action for students or employees.

Deadly or offensive weapons are defined as any device whose design and/or implementation may produce death or serious bodily injury. For purposes of this policy deadly and offensive weapons include, but are not limited to, firearms and offensive weapons as defined below:

Offensive weapons: Offensive weapons include any devices so defined under the Pennsylvania Crimes Code entitled “Prohibitive Offensive Weapons” 18 Pa.C.S.A. § 908 (c).

Firearm: A firearm is any weapon which is designed to or may readily be converted to expel any projectile by the action of an explosive or the frame or receiver of any such weapon.

IV. Authorized Exceptions

Certified and sworn police officers employed by the University Police Department, sworn and certified municipal, state or federal police officers who carry proper identification and are on duty are exempt from this policy.

V. Notification of Use of Replica or Prop Weapons

Due to the risk of being identified as a real weapon, any item which looks like a weapon and is used for any purpose on University property must be reported to and approved in writing by the University Police Department prior to use in any activity. Examples of such activities include official ROTC military exercises, color guard,

intercollegiate athletics, class instruction or presentations, dramatic plays, and similar artistic events. It shall be the responsibility of the faculty member or other employee coordinating such activities to secure written approval from the Chief of Police before conducting the activity. All replica weapons brought to campus for the approved activity must be stored in a manner approved by the Chief of Police.

Date: _____

President