POLICY STATEMENT

As part of the college’s educational mission, the University Police Department attempts to teach members of the campus community how to reduce their chances of being a victim of a crime. Department staff members have been trained in crime prevention techniques and serve as crime prevention officers. The University’s crime prevention program is based upon the dual concepts of 1) reducing or eliminating criminal opportunities, and 2) encouraging students and employees to be responsible for their own security and the security of others.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

When a member of the Upstate Community observes individuals acting suspiciously or who are out of place, they should contact the University Police so the person can be investigated and removed from the University, if warranted. These actions can help community members from becoming victims of crime.

The following is a listing of the University’s crime prevention programs and projects:

**Escort Service**: Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for anyone to any on campus location.

**Personal Safety Committee**: Charged by the President this group of faculty, staff and students meets to discuss campus safety and makes an annual report to the President with recommendations on how to enhance campus safety and security.

**Personal Security**: Crime prevention presentations are made available on a regular basis at new student and employee orientations. Custom presentations or surveys are made at the request of any group.

**Emergency Telephone**: Emergency telephones and call boxes, linked directly to the University Police, are located throughout the campus. Additionally University Police can be reached by dialing 911 from any campus phone.

**Architectural Design**: The University Police Department has significant input into the design of all new and renovated campus facilities as related to physical and electronic security systems.

**Facilities Surveys**: The University Police Department and the Personal Safety Committee conduct periodic surveys of exterior lighting, exterior doors and campus grounds. Results of these surveys are forwarded to Physical Plant for prompt action.

**Rape Awareness**: Rape awareness education and prevention presentations are made periodically to the campus community.

ADDITIONAL CONTACTS:  
Dean of Student Affairs  
Director of University Housing

RESPONSIBILITIES

Student policies and their effectiveness are reviewed annually as the Student Handbook is updated.