

<b>SUBJECT:</b> Panic/Duress Alarms	<b>Effective Date:</b> 11-16-15	<b>Policy Number:</b> 1.17
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Responsible Authority:	Assistant Vice President, Public Safety	

**APPLICABILITY/ACCOUNTABILITY:**

This policy is applicable to all members of the University community and establishes University guidelines for panic/duress alarm installation and usage on University sites with a law enforcement presence 24 hours a day. Sites without a law enforcement presence may utilize the same alarm monitoring company the fire alarms are using.

**POLICY STATEMENT:**

The University utilizes panic/duress alarms in areas meeting a defined criteria to allow community members to contact the University Police Department via silent alarm. Those areas authorized panic/duress alarm installations must meet the defined criteria, participate in quarterly testing, annual training, and bi-annual review of conditions resulting in the installation. Activation of a panic/duress alarm requires a law enforcement response. Unarmed, non-sworn personnel will not be dispatched.

**DEFINITIONS:**

*Panic/Duress Alarm*

**PROCEDURES:**

A. Approval:

