

A wide-angle photograph of a university campus. In the foreground, a paved walkway leads towards a large green lawn. The lawn is dotted with people sitting or walking. In the middle ground, a row of cherry blossom trees in full bloom stretches across the frame. To the left, two people are standing and talking. In the background, there are large, multi-story brick buildings and more trees under a bright, slightly cloudy sky. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and scenic.

University of Washington
Police Department
Annual Report
2011

The logo of the University of Washington, featuring a stylized purple letter 'W' on a white square background.

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Our **Mission**

The University of Washington Police Department actively collaborates with our community to create a safe and secure campus through education, problem solving and enforcement. We use innovative practices, continuing training and partnerships to provide professional public safety services, thereby reducing crime and the fear of crime. In doing so, we foster and maintain an environment that supports the well-being of our students, staff, faculty and visitors.

Our **Vision**

The University of Washington Police Department aspires to be a world leader
in innovative campus public safety practices.

Our commitment to excellence supports
the campus community's pursuit of academic and research goals
in an environment free of crime and the fear of crime.

Our Values

The University of Washington Police Department is a team of full-time and part-time commissioned, civilian & volunteer personnel dedicated to ensuring the safety and security of the University of Washington campus. We are committed to the highest standards of professionalism and ethical behavior, and we conduct ourselves with P.R.I.D.E. in all we do.

- Professionalism** We demonstrate our professionalism through our conscientious adherence to the highest standards in law enforcement. We build professionalism by creating an environment that encourages teamwork, innovation, collaboration and self-evaluation.
- Respect:** Employees are our most important organizational asset. Our success depends upon our relationships with our coworkers and each person we serve. We promote respect for individual rights and personal dignity in our daily interactions. We foster and preserve trust within the university community, creating partnerships to eliminate crime and improve quality of life.
- Integrity:** We expect truth, honesty and ethical behavior from all members of our department. We uphold our position of public trust by maintaining the highest level of professional integrity and ethical standards through strict adherence to the administrative codes of our university and the laws of our nation, state and region.
- Diversity:** We make every effort to anticipate, plan for and respond to the needs of a diverse and ever-changing community. We appreciate and understand our similarities and differences, and value every partnership we establish. We recognize that different viewpoints, experiences and backgrounds are central to meeting the unique needs of the community we serve. We seek the input and talents of all members of the university in our efforts to safeguard the campus.
- Excellence:** We strive to be a premier law enforcement agency through our commitment to collaboration, communication, education, mentoring, outreach and teamwork. In our pursuit of excellence, we support the implementation of creative and innovative strategies to address community concerns.

“Safeguarding the Academic Community with P.R.I.D.E.”

LETTER *from the* CHIEF OF POLICE

Dear Campus Security Advisory Committee:

On behalf of the men and women of the University of Washington Police Department, I am pleased to present our 2011 Annual Report. In the following pages, you will read about our successes and on-going efforts to safeguard the academic community.

During the last half of 2011, the department, in coordination with our stakeholders, put together the UWPD Strategic Plan. The plan identifies areas of growth (strategic initiatives), including areas to develop as we become a world leader in campus policing. The plan will help us as we become more efficient and effective in service to the community, and so add value to the university as we reflect our values of PRIDE (Professionalism, Respect, Integrity, Diversity and Excellence) in all our daily activities. In 2012, we plan to focus on the strategic initiatives for Technology, Investigative Protocols and Supervisor Consistency. We have begun to implement our strategic plan and are excited about our initial results. We look forward to sharing the successes of 2012 with you throughout the year on our Web site and through our Facebook page.

I extend an invitation to all members of our community to call upon me or any of the UWPD staff with comments for making our campus a safer place to live, study and work. We look forward to continued collaboration with you in the coming year.

Sincerely,



John N. Vinson, Ph.D.
Chief of Police

SECTOR PATROL

In September 2009, the UWPB began patrolling by sector as one piece of the community policing strategy. Each patrol officer “owns” a sector. The officer works in collaboration with area building coordinators and other stakeholders to address the problems and crimes unique to that sector. Ownership of a patrol sector means that officers treat their area as if they own it. They become the caretakers of this property and the people in it. Ownership means taking the initiative to improve a situation, and ultimately, to improve the quality of life in that part of the University.

The two patrol lieutenants each have two sectors that they oversee, and each of the four patrol sergeants is in charge of one sector. The sergeants coordinate and monitor the activity occurring in the sector they supervise. They advise on the implementation of strategies to address problems and crimes that occur in their area. They provide briefings to senior leadership and the command staff on the occurrences in their sector and must demonstrate that their sector officers are taking action that is producing real results.

Sector One incorporates the northern part of the main campus from the Quad to the North of 45th neighborhood and Greek Row.

Sector Two incorporates the central part of the main campus.

Sector Three includes the area of West Campus from 15th Avenue NE to Roosevelt Way NE and from NE 45th Street to NE Boat Street.

Sector Four includes the areas of South and East Campuses, including the UW housing complexes of Blakeley Village, Laurel Village and Nordheim Court.



DEPARTMENT-WIDE ACHIEVEMENTS

Campus Safety Rating. In September of 2011, the UWPD met with stakeholders to determine their priorities for the coming year. Our stakeholders were happy to let us know that they considered the campus to be very safe in general and rated the campus as a 9 out of 10 during the day and an 8 out of 10 at night!

Educational Efforts. Rape Aggression Defense classes continue to be very popular and all classes in 2011 were full. These classes are just one example of the many educational programs of the UWPD. The UWPD also presents at parent-student orientations as well as safety talks requested by UW departments.

Community Outreach. We became a Gold level member of Special Olympics (Polar Plunge). The Husky Food Drive raised \$14,046.23 and collected 265lbs of food. As the Student Safety Committee started up again, the UWPD partnered with this student group to share the message "Huskies Choose Safety." At the UWPD Annual Open House, the first ever *Community Partner of the Year* Award in 2011 was presented to the Fraternity Phi Gamma Delta.

Safety Escorts. NightWalk guards provided an average of 600 services per month during the school year to our community members, including 500 safety escorts.

CPTED. Patrol officers reviewed all buildings on campus using the principles of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design. This information was passed on to the building coordinators to increase safety in and around campus facilities.

MORE DEPARTMENT-WIDE ACHIEVEMENTS

Increased Efficiency. Through the purchase of technology, remodeling the UWPD building and making some crucial promotions, the UWPD streamlined processes and increased efficiency. The department also began long-term strategic planning to aid us in focusing our efforts.

Fiscal Responsibility. The department remains under budget and continues to seek funding opportunities outside the university through grants and King County E911 tax funding, which pays for one of our dispatchers, a computer specialist as well as some Communications Center equipment.

Protests. Like many cities around the country, the Occupy movement came to Seattle. Occupy Seattle was one of many protest movements on or near the UW campus in 2011. Our officers kept the peace and supported protesters' right to free speech. Several protesters thanked us for our compassion and professionalism.

Honors. In July 2011, the UWPD was nationally re-accredited through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA). In September 2011, Lt. C. Wilson graduated from the prestigious FBI National Academy, a professional course of study for law enforcement leaders; participation is by invitation only through a nomination process.

SECTOR ACHIEVEMENTS

Bike Theft. The UWPD took on bike theft in 2011 and Sector Three Sergeant Pratt-Wieburg was in charge of the Problem-Oriented Policing project that saw great strides in attacking this issue. This project had several goals:

- (1) Catch thieves. SUCCESS! More than 26 bike theft suspects were identified or arrested in 2011.
- (2) Make bicycles more difficult to steal. SUCCESS! More bikes were locked with better locks in the HSB/UWMC area and Crime Prevention officers provided many victims with new u-locks.
- (3) Increase bicycle registration. SUCCESS! Bike registration was up by 30% in 2011 over 2010 and more than half of all stolen bike victims knew their serial numbers (only about a third of owners knew this in 2010).
- (4) Decrease bike thefts. Limited success. Bike thefts were up in 2011 over 2010 but decreased significantly after two crucial arrests in the fall.
- (5) Increase bike recoveries. SUCCESS! Detectives and patrol officers recovered 1 out of every 6 stolen bikes. National averages hover around 2-3 percent.

Robberies. Street robberies, though not common in the University District, did occur over the year. Sector Four Sergeant Jackson arrested all suspects and recovered some of the property in a robbery that occurred near the Greek system and, later in the year, Sector One Sergeant Kao was instrumental in the arrest of the armed robber in an incident near the Flagpole. Sector three experienced a robbery near Schmitz Hall in December. The victims in this case gave excellent descriptions to our sketch artist and Sergeant Kao produced a composite drawing that led to the arrest of both suspects. Three out of the four robberies reported to the UWPD in 2011 were solved. (Note: one robbery occurred on public property, not on-campus so it is not counted on the statistics page.) Nationwide solve rate is around 25%.

Theft. Theft continues to be the most common crime on campus. Most often these items are unattended or poorly secured. At the start of 2011, we experienced a rash of thefts from the Intramural Activities Building (IMA). By partnering with the IMA, thefts dropped off over the year. The process of screening guests into the facility improved and that led to a sharp drop in property crimes, especially in the basketball courts and men's locker room.

MORE SECTOR ACHIEVEMENTS

Safety. Intervention Prevention Team officers (IPT) partnered with the Interfraternity Council, Liquor Control Board and Seattle Police Department (SPD) to promote safe and responsible party practices in the area north of 45th.

Quality of Life. Sector 4 officers worked to address various quality of life issues in their area. Community members were concerned by smoking in non-smoking areas outside the hospital. Bike officers addressed this issue through education and enforcement as well as partnering with Facilities to place signage for designated smoking areas. As a result, complaints reduced over the year to zero.

Life Saving Event. Just before 1 am on Tuesday morning, 11/22/11, UWPD officers were called into action to save a man's life by rescuing him from the cold, dark waters of Portage Bay. A quick response by UWPD personnel made the difference, saving the man's life.

CRIME STATISTICS—On-Campus Properties Only

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Murder/Manslaughter	1	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses, Forcible	0	2	0	4	5
Robbery	3	6	6	1	3
Aggravated Assault	7	1	6	1	3
Crimes Against Persons Totals	11	9	12	6	11
Burglary	70	75	83	56	40
Motor Vehicle Theft	33	19	8	9	1
Arson	3	0	2	4	0
Thefts (except MV Theft)	497	483	471	466	555
Bike Thefts (subset of theft)	na	100	147	145	180
Car Prowls (subset of theft)	na	70	89	79	57
Property Crimes Totals	603	577	564	535	596
Total Crimes	614	586	576	541	607

The statistics presented here correspond to those reported to the Department of Education as part of the Jeanne Clery Act. Statistics are for “on-campus” crimes only and do not include buildings not reasonably contiguous to the campus (does not include such buildings as Nordheim, Blakeley, Roosevelt Clinics, UW Tower, etc.). Statistics do include incidents that were not reported to police but were reported to other campus security authorities, such as the Sexual Assault and Relationship Violence Resource Information Service (SARIS). Theft numbers (not a Clery reportable crime) were gathered using the location guidelines of the Clery Act and include only “on-campus” crimes.

These statistics will differ from the statistics presented in prior years. Previous annual reports used the statistics reported to the FBI; these statistics included crimes reported to UWPD that did not occur “on-campus” per the Clery Act location definition.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS *and* ARRESTS

TRAFFIC STATISTICS

	2009	2010	2011
Traffic Citation Cases	745	669	690
Traffic Stops	1878	1832	1766
DUI	52	50	18
Accidents Investigated	108	90	108
Accidents Involving Bikes/ Pedestrians	11	6	8

ARRESTS

	2009	2010	2011
Adults	277	289	222
Juveniles	9	12	10
TOTAL	286	301	232

HIGH RISK INCIDENTS

	2009	2010	2011
Complaints	3	4	2
Internal Investigations	9	11	10

Citizen Complaints. Two investigated. One was unfounded and one was not sustained.

Internal Complaints (internal investigations). Ten investigated. Eight were sustained as policy violations. None involved use of force. One was unfounded and one was not sustained.

	2009	2010	2011
Firearms	9	3	6
Takedowns	6	4	1
Pressure points	0	0	1
Taser	5	8	3
OC Spray	0	0	0
TOTAL	20	15	11

USE of FORCE

Note that Firearms and Taser include incidents where the weapon was un-holstered but not deployed. No firearms were fired in any of the years shown.

CONTACT US

UWPD Emergency, fire, medical aid from any campus telephone: 911

UWPD Non-emergency line: 206.685.UWPD (8973)

Confidential Tip Line: 206.685.TIPS (8477)

Crime Prevention Unit: 206.543.9338

Victim Advocate: 206.543.9337

Crime Prevention Resource Guide:

www.uw.edu/admin/police/CP_Resource_Guide2008.pdf

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