Building a Safe Campus

Resources for the Swarthmore College Community

Information on Where to Turn for Help

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Benjamin West House
Emergency: 610-328-8333
General Information: 610-328-8281
Weather Hotline: 610-328-8228
swarthmore.edu/publicsafety
publicsafety@swarthmore.edu
The Department of Public Safety is committed to upholding Swarthmore’s mission of educating for the common good by providing a safe and secure learning, living, and working environment for all members of our vibrant and diverse community.

**Our guiding principles are to protect persons and property; preserve the peace; inspire trust; cultivate communication and collaboration; and share our knowledge and expertise.**

We endeavor to build close partnerships with our students, faculty, and staff every day through providing prompt and professional service, and being an accessible, caring, and engaged presence on our campus.

Our department operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, and is the point of contact and first responder for all campus emergencies. Our officers patrol College buildings and grounds, respond to emergencies, educate our community about crime prevention, and provide individual safety escorts, among other responsibilities.

We are dedicated to protecting our community and believe that ensuring its safety and security is a shared responsibility. I welcome you to explore these pages to learn about our many services and programs, get to know our officers, and find resources and information to help you stay safe on (and off) campus. You can always reach out to our team at publicsafety@swarthmore.edu, read more about our department at swarthmore.edu/public-safety, or stop by and visit us at Benjamin West House.
Our Services and Programs

We offer a wide range of services and programs to help our community stay safe and engaged on campus—from shuttle services to self-defense classes to LiveSafe, our mobile safety app. We regularly offer open houses and set up tables at key campus events and locations to share information on our services and introduce our team. You can find a full list of our programs under “Crime Prevention & Security Services” at swarthmore.edu/public-safety.

Report Safety Concerns

General Reporting Line
Our team operates 24/7, 365 days a year, and is fully committed to providing a safe and healthy campus for our entire community. We are the first contact and first responder for all campus emergencies. For general business, please dial x8281 from a campus phone, or 610-328-8281. You can also file a report on our website.

Public Safety Emergency Line
In case of emergency, dial our emergency line at x8333 from a campus phone, or 610-328-8333.

Swarthmore Borough Police
We work in partnership with the Swarthmore Borough Police Department to ensure the safety of our community. We respect the rights of victims to choose whether police are notified, and assist with reporting crimes if requested by the victim. If you wish to speak with a police officer, you can reach the Swarthmore Borough Police by calling 911 or 610-543-0123.

LiveSafe Mobile App
Summon help, report incidents and suspicious activity, invite virtual companions to accompany you to your destination, access safety information, and receive campus alerts quickly and easily through the LiveSafe mobile app, available for free from Apple and Google app stores.

Navigate Campus Safely

Garnet Shuttle Service and TransLoc Rider
The evening campus shuttle is a radio-equipped van that transports students around campus during the evening and early morning hours. Shuttles run on a continuous loop from 6 p.m. each night. TransLoc Rider is a mobile app that provides real-time tracking of campus shuttles. You can view arrival times, set customized alerts, and receive important announcements.

Garnet Towers and Blue Light Telephones
Public telephones located throughout campus are connected directly to the Department of Public Safety Communications Center. Units may also have public address systems for emergency notifications and CCTV. The campus map on pages 6–7 includes the location of all emergency telephones.

Campus Escorts
Our Public Safety Officers provide walking and vehicle escorts between campus locations after dark when the Garnet Shuttle is not running, upon request. Medical escorts are provided when a student is sick or injured and urgent transport to Worth Health Center is required. If Worth Health Center is closed, transports are provided to local hospital emergency rooms.

Build Awareness and Safety Skills

Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) Training for Women and for Men
Our RAD courses engage issues of awareness, prevention, risk reduction, avoidance, and basic hands-on self-defense training. They empower participants to make safer choices when confronted by aggressive behavior and consider how they can be a part of reducing aggression and violence. Classes are taught by certified instructors. RAD is not a martial arts program. The RAD course for women is open to all students, faculty, and staff who identify as women, and the RAD course for men is open to all students, faculty, and staff who identify as men. Students may earn PE credit for completing either RAD course.

SAFE (Self-Defense Awareness and Familiarization Exchange) Training
This educational awareness, crime-victim-prevention program provides resources and physical self-defense training that may help reduce participants’ exposure to violence. The SAFE course is a shorter version of our full RAD training, and is open to students, faculty, and staff who identify as women.
Connect With Our Team

Fire Safety Demonstrations
We offer general fire safety presentations and fire extinguisher training during National Fire Safety Awareness Week in October, and conduct fire drills in administrative and academic buildings during the first few weeks of each semester. On or before Oct. 1 each year, we release the College’s annual Fire Safety and Security Report.

Community Resource Officer Program
Each building on campus is assigned a Community Resource Officer to serve as the point of contact for any safety needs, to share information on our programs and services, and to address any questions that may arise.

Ride-Along Program
Starting in fall 2019, interested students may accompany one of our officers on their campus patrols and learn more about the work our team does to keep our community safe. If you would like to go for a ride, please email dpsride@swarthmore.edu.

Dean’s Office
Jim T erhune, vice president and dean of students
jterhun1@swarthmore.edu, 610-328-8365
Rachel Head, associate dean and director of student engagement
rhead1@swarthmore.edu, 610-328-8362
Nathan Miller, senior associate dean of student life
nmiller2@swarthmore.edu, 610-328-8354
Michelle Ray, assistant dean and director of case management
mray2@swarthmore.edu, 610-690-5299
Tomoko Sakomura, assistant vice president and dean of academic success, associate professor of art history
tsakomul@swarthmore.edu, 610-328-8119
Shá Duncan Smith, assistant vice president and dean of inclusive excellence and community engagement
sdsmith1@swarthmore.edu, 610-690-5744

Health and Wellness
Call 610-328-7768 to speak with a licensed counselor year-round, 24 hours a day.
Josh Ellow, alcohol and other-drug counselor and educator
jellow1@swarthmore.edu, 610-957-6152
Hillary Grumbine, violence prevention educator and advocate
hgrumbil@swarthmore.edu, 610-328-8538
Casey Anderson, interim director of student health
canders4@swarthmore.edu, 610-957-6037
David Ramirez, director of counseling and psychological services
 dramirel@swarthmore.edu, 610-328-8059

Title IX
Bindu Jayne, Title IX coordinator
hjaynel@swarthmore.edu, 610-690-3720
Isaiah Thomas, director of residential communities, deputy for students
ithomasl@swarthmore.edu, 610-957-6113
Nnenna Akotaobi, associate athletics director/senior woman administrator, deputy for athletics
nakotao2@swarthmore.edu, 610-328-8222
Nora Johnson, professor of English literature, deputy for faculty
njohnso1@swarthmore.edu, 610-328-8188
Anthony Natale, HR manager for employee engagement, interim deputy for staff
 anatalel@swarthmore.edu, 610-690-6800

Religious and Spiritual Life
Joyce Tompkins, director
jtompkil@swarthmore.edu, 610-328-8328
### Destinations
- Admissions Office (Parrish Hall)...
- Alice Paul Hall...
- Beardsley Hall...
- Black Cultural Center (Robinson House)...
- Bond Memorial Hall...
- Clothier Fields...
- Clothier Memorial Hall...
- Cornell Science and Engineering Library (Science Center)...
- Cunningham Fields and Tennis Courts...
- Cunningham House...
- Cunningham North Lot...
- Cunningham South Lot...
- Dana Hall...
- Danawell Hall...
- David Kemp Hall...
- Dean Bond Rose Garden...
- Dean’s Office (Parrish Hall)...
- Eldridge Commons (Science Center)...
- Emergency phone
- Facilities Management (Service Building)...
- Faulkner Tennis Courts...
- Friends Historical Library (McCabe Library)...
- Hallowell Hall...
- Hormel-Nguyen Intercultural Center at Sproul Hall...
- Inn at Swarthmore...
- Interfaith Center (Sproul Hall)...
- Kitaok Student Art Gallery...
- Kohlberg Hall and Coffee Bar...
- Lamb-Miller Field House...
- Lang Center for Civic and Social Responsibility...
- Lang Music Building and Concert Hall...
- Lang Performing Arts Center (LPAC)...
- List Gallery (LPAC)...
- Lodges...
- Magill Walk...
- Martin Biological Laboratory...
- Mary Lyon Hall...
- Matchbox...
- Maxine Frank Singer ’52 Hall...
- McCabe Library...
- Mertz Hall...
- Mullan Tennis Center...
- Off Campus Study (Cunningham House)...
- Old Tarble...
- PPR Apartments...
- Palmer Hall...
- Parrish Hall...
- Peace Collection (McCabe Library)...
- Pearson Hall...
- Pittenger Hall...
- Public Safety (Benjamin West House)...
- Roberts Hall...
- Scheuer Room (Kohlberg Hall)...
- Science Center...
- Scott Arboretum Offices (Cunningham House)...
- Scott Amphitheater...
- SEPTA Regional Rail Station...
- Sharples Dining Hall...
- Swarthmore Friends Meeting...
- Swarthmore Campus and Community Store...
- Tarble Pavilion...
- Title IX House...
- Trotter Hall...
- Underhill Music and Dance Library (Lang Music)...

### Dining
- Whittier Hall...
- Willets Hall...
- Winter Center...
- Women’s Resource Center...
- Woolman House...
- Worth Hall...
- Worth Health Center...
- 101 S. Chester Road...

### Visitor Information
- Visitor’s Center (Benjamin West House)...
- Ware Pool...
- Water Tower Lot...
- West Field House Lane Lot...
- Wharton Hall...
- Whittier Hall...
- Willets Hall...
- Winter Center...
- Women’s Resource Center...
- Woolman House...
- Worth Hall...
- Worth Health Center...
- 101 S. Chester Road...

### Transportation
- Trains to Philadelphia...
- To Chester and I-95...
- To Springfield, Baltimore Pike, and I-476...
Public Safety Leadership Team

Mike Hill, CPP
Director (joined 2012)
With more than 30 years of higher-education law enforcement experience, Dir. Hill has focused on building and strengthening campus and community partnerships, as well as on improving department operations and increasing the use of technology. Dir. Hill is a 25-year Army veteran, including several years as a drill instructor and chief warrant officer. He earned a B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania and is a certified protection professional, as well as a self-defense and nonviolent crisis-intervention instructor. He serves as the president of the Delaware Valley Campus Security Directors Association.

Sam Smemo P’16
Associate Director for Operations (joined 2014)
Assoc. Dir. Smemo joined the department after 27 years in law enforcement, including more than 15 as an FBI special agent, leading investigations in narcotics, organized crime, and counterterrorism. He also worked for the U.S. Marshals Service and Miami-Dade Police and received a B.S. from Florida State University and an M.S. from the University of Long Island.

Kathy Agostinelli
Patrol Corporal (joined 1996)
Cpl. Agostinelli has served the Swarthmore community in various capacities since 1976. She received a BFA from the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts.

George Darbes
Security Systems and Training Administrator (joined 1985)
SSTA Darbes is responsible for the upkeep, configuration, and reliable operation of campus safety systems and also coordinates the professional-development training program for communication and patrol officers. He is professionally certified as a telecommunications dispatcher.

George Iredale
Patrol Sergeant on-call (joined 1996)
Sgt. Iredale joined the Department of Public Safety after a 25-year career with the Pennsylvania State Police. He was the department’s lieutenant for five years, and has since been serving the College in a part-time capacity.

Keya Miah
Patrol Corporal (joined 2017)
Cpl. Miah previously served as a supervisor at the Chester County (Pa.) Prison, where she was a member of the emergency response team and Honor Guard and was a certified training instructor. She is a graduate of the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections Training Academy.

Joe Theveny
Patrol Corporal (joined 2012)
Cpl. Theveny previously worked security for Taylor Hospital in Ridley Park, Pa., and was a shift supervisor for Crozer-Chester Medical Center. A graduate of Delaware County Community College’s Municipal Police Academy, he is also a certified self-defense instructor and private security officer.

Robert Warren
Patrol Corporal (joined 2000)
Cpl. Warren, the department’s field training officer, previously worked as a correctional and K-9 officer and served as a volunteer firefighter. He attended the Delaware State Fire Academy.

Nicholas Borak
Patrol Officer
(joined 2017)
Ofc. Borak came to Swarthmore after 25 years in the Ridley Township (Pa.) Police Department. He is a graduate of the Delaware County Community College Police Academy.

Meghan Browne
Administrative Assistant, P/T (joined 2003)
AA Browne, a former dispatcher, attended Neumann University.

Officers and Support Staff
SWARTHMORE COLLEGE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

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Sandra Briggs-Edwards
Communications Officer, P/T (joined 2015)

Ofc. Briggs-Edwards previously conducted Swarthmore HR clearances. A certified telecommunications dispatcher, she has more than 20 years of experience as an AA.

Drew Frescoln
Patrol Officer, P/T (joined 2013)

Ofc. Frescoln earned a B.S. in criminal justice from Wilmington University and completed Act 120 at the Delaware County Police Academy. He is a manager with American Airlines, where he is a liaison with government agencies and a member of the CARE Team.

Tom Kincaide
Patrol/Communications Officer (joined 2015)

Ofc. Kincaide has more than 30 years of public safety experience, including as an officer at Harcum College.

Mary Lou Lawless
Administrative Assistant (joined 2010)

AA Lawless is a graduate of Harcum College and Polley Real Estate School.

John McCans
Patrol Officer, F/T (joined 2001)

Ofc. McCans has served as a communications and patrol officer and also works full time as a SEPTA bus operator in Philadelphia. He is a longtime volunteer firefighter in Delaware County.

Desmond McNeil
Patrol Officer (joined 2015)

Ofc. McNeil has worked in hospitals, universities, and churches, and also works full time in the Upper Darby (Pa.) School District. He is certified as a private security officer and in Red Cross first aid and mountain-bike patrol.

Erin Northcutt
Patrol/Communications Officer (joined 2019)

Ofc. Northcutt is a nationally certified firefighter and PA EMT. She has experience in the security and prehospital fields, and serves as a volunteer firefighter and EMT in Delaware County.

Marcella Pringle
Patrol/Communications Officer on-call (joined 2015)

Ofc. Pringle is experienced in security, corrections, and dispatching, including advanced training in suicide prevention. She received an A.A. from the University of Phoenix and is a certified telecommunications dispatcher, emergency medical technician, and phlebotomist.

Montea Roundtree
Patrol/Communications Officer (joined 2015)

Ofc. Roundtree previously worked in security at Girard College and Harcum College. He is certified as a private security officer and volunteers at recreation centers as a youth mentor.

Robert Stephano
Patrol Officer (joined 1996)

Ofc. Stephano is a graduate of the Delaware County Community College Police Academy and a volunteer firefighter.

Michelle Wollman
Communications Officer, P/T (joined 1998)

Ofc. Wollman is a certified telecommunications dispatcher.

Robert Bennett
Joe Cardella
John Furey
Clifton Madison
Joe McSwiggan
Joe Phillips
Mark Swaney
Zachary Witman

Garnet Shuttle Drivers, P/T
What is the Clery Act? The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, signed in 1990, is the federal law that requires colleges and universities across the U.S. to disclose information about crime on and around their campuses. To meet the letter and spirit of the law, Public Safety makes available no later than Oct. 1 each year the College’s Annual Fire Safety and Security Report, available online and as a hard copy to anyone who visits Benjamin West House and makes a request.

What is Title IX? Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in any federally funded education program or activity. Sexual harassment, which includes sexual violence, is a form of sex discrimination. Any student, employee, or applicant for employment or admission to the College who believes that he or she has been discriminated against on the basis of sex, in violation of Title IX, may file a complaint with the Title IX Coordinator or any Deputy Coordinator. Additional information can be found at swarthmore.edu/share.

Swarthmore College Confidential Whistleblower Hotline, 866-292-7713
This toll-free line is available 24/7. It is managed by an outside company that will document your concern and direct you to the appropriate College official. You may choose to remain anonymous.

Swarthmore Borough Police Department
610-543-0123, 911 for emergencies

Resources for Victims of Sexual Violence
PA Coalition Against Domestic Violence, 1-800-799-SAFE (7233), pcadv.org
Delaware County Women Against Rape Hotline, 610-566-4342
Domestic Abuse Project of Delaware County Hotline, 610-565-4590

District Attorney’s Office
Delaware County District Attorney’s Office, 610-891-4161, delcoda.com
Delaware County Victim Services, 610-891-4227
Delaware County Special Victims Unit, 610-891-4811

Local Medical Centers
Crozer-Chester Medical Center, 610-447-2000
Mazzoni Center for LGBTQ+ Health & Well-Being, medical practice, 215-563-0658
Springfield Hospital, 610-328-8700
Taylor Hospital, 610-595-6000

Credit Bureaus and Identity-Theft Protection
If you or someone you know has been the victim of identity theft, report the matter to Public Safety or local law enforcement and notify your credit card companies and banking institutions. You may request a copy of an incident or police report if they should require that information. The following credit bureaus are required to provide a credit report to you once a year. We recommend you spread out your requests over the year so you can determine whether there has been any unusual activity.
Equifax, 800-685-1111
Experian, 877-481-6826
TransUnion, 800-680-7289
The Department of Public Safety invites students, faculty, staff, alumni, and visitors to provide feedback about the performance of the department as well as the conduct of its individual members. The goal of the complaint review process is to reach a determination that is objective and fair, and inspire confidence and trust in the process. You may offer your feedback in our brief survey at bit.ly/SwatSurveyPS; share a comment or complaint at bit.ly/complaintPS; contact Director Mike Hill directly at mhill1@swarthmore.edu or 610-328-8067; or call the whistleblower hotline at 866-292-7713. Director Hill administers the complaint review process and works collaboratively with Human Resources and other community partners as needed to fully investigate all complaints. Safety is our shared responsibility, and your input is vital to our success. We care about you and appreciate your feedback.

To Report a Crime to Public Safety

- Call 610-328-8333
- Use the LiveSafe App
  (download from the App Store or Google Play)
- Visit Benjamin West House
- Use a Campus Emergency Phone
- Go online: bit.ly/PubSafeReport

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