

Breakdown of calendar year 2005 Totals

	In Residence Halls	On Campus	Non-Campus Buildings	Public Property	Total
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	1	4	0	0	5
Crimes of Prejudice	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law Arrest	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Law Arrest	1	0	0	0	1
Weapons Law Arrest	0	0	0	1	1
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0
Murder	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault -					
Forcible	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Forcible	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Campus Disciplinary Action for—</i>					
Liquor Law Violation	118	0	0	2	120
Drug Violation	26	0	0	3	29
Weapons Possession	3	0	0	0	3

The above statistics include Vermont Tech's three nursing sites, as well as the main campus in Randolph Center and Williston campus at Blair Park.

Students, prospective students, faculty, and staff are all encouraged to be aware of safety and security procedures on campus. A secure environment enhances the educational mission of the college and encourages students, faculty, and staff to participate fully in the life of the college community.

Each reporting year begins on January 1 and ends on December 31.

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**A Report on Campus Crime
Prevention and Awareness
Provided in Compliance with
the Crime Awareness &
Security Act of 1990**

A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Vermont Technical College and wish you success in your individual endeavors.

As director of public safety at the college, my main concern is to ensure that the campus provides a safe and secure environment for all of the members of the college community. We are fortunate at Vermont Tech, located as we are in a small, rural community, to experience relatively few of the crime-related problems that are all too common in much of the country today. But no campus, including this one, can completely isolate itself from the problem of crime. What we can do is to keep this problem minimized at Vermont Tech through prevention efforts based on teamwork, awareness, and involvement on the part of all of us who make up the campus community.

I want to enlist your help in keeping Vermont Technical College the safe and secure campus it always has been. The responsibility for crime prevention is one that we all share. Please—if you witness suspicious or criminal activity on or near the campus, report it immediately to an official of the college.

Remember, you can never be completely isolated from the threat of crime—even here in beautiful Vermont. But by following the suggestions outlined in this pamphlet, you can substantially reduce the possibility that you will become a victim.

Together, you and the department of public safety can make Vermont Tech a safer place to be.



Emile Fredette, Jr.
Director of
Public Safety

Please Note: Security personnel are available 24 hours a day and seven days a week, and may be reached at extension 1292 from any campus telephone, or by calling 728-1292.

THE COMMUNITY

Vermont Tech is located in the hilltop village of Randolph Center, less than a mile east of Interstate 89 off exit 4. The campus includes residence halls, a library, maintenance buildings, several academic buildings, an administration building, two physical fitness facilities, and a modern farmstead.

For day-to-day needs and activities, the villages of Randolph Center and Randolph offer a variety of shops, restaurants, and recreation.

The nursing programs at Vermont Tech are offered at the Williston Campus, Putnam/Bennington Campus, Thompson/Brattleboro Campus, and on the main campus in Randolph Center. Crime reporting for these campuses is included in the statistics given in this report.

CAMPUS FACILITIES

All facilities on campus are locked and unlocked on a daily basis according to schedules determined by the appropriate department. Generally, academic buildings are open until 10 p.m. daily while college is in session. The outside doors to dormitories may only be accessed with an appropriate college I.D. card. Contact public safety for more information.

PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

The public safety department at Vermont Tech serves the student body by maintaining a safe environment, protecting life and property, preventing and detecting crime, and enforcing college policies.

Security officers have access to the complete campus and may be seen anywhere on college property at any time. The high visibility of security officers around campus is in itself an effective deterrent to any would-be wrongdoers.

The public safety department consists of the director, staff asst., two full-time officers, and six part-time officers. The public safety department also employs work-study students who do clerical and dispatch work, answer telephones, help with building and fire patrols, and perform other support duties for the regular security staff.

The public safety office is on the east end of the Administrative Center, room 122. On weekdays you can find the office open from 8 a.m. through evening hours that vary according to the availability of student staffing. The office is a place where friendly, concerned staff are there to help with your security concerns. Your suggestions are always welcome.

Several officers at Vermont Tech have previous law enforcement experience. Officers are trained in fire safety, human relations, and college policies and regulations, and are certified in basic first aid and CPR.

The Vermont Tech public safety department has only those enforcement powers designated by the college administration; the department does not have law enforcement powers. However, they are empowered to detain an individual until state police arrive on campus. Vermont Tech has an excellent working relationship with local, county, and state law enforcement agencies concerning on- and off-campus incidents. All emergencies and criminal actions reported to public safety will be investigated by the department or local law enforcement agencies or perhaps both. All public safety activities are documented by officers in the

daily log or complaint reports. Complaint reports are maintained by the public safety office for follow-up of investigations, referral to the college administration for judicial process, and/or for statistical records.

Other services offered by the department of public safety include student identification card issuance, lost and found, lock-out assistance and hospital/clinic runs. Details on these services are available upon request.

Parking and motor vehicle operations on campus are monitored and enforced by the public safety department. Parking on campus is a privilege, not a right, and vehicles must be registered with the public safety office. Violators of parking regulations are subject to ticketing and towing at the owners' expense.

SECURITY IN RESIDENCE HALLS

At the beginning of each academic year, the department of public safety is involved in the training and orientation of residence hall staff. Topics covered include residence hall security, personal safety, personal property protection, and a strong emphasis on fire safety. Representatives from security are available to speak with any student group about safety and security issues

Activities of a criminal and questionable nature should be reported to public safety as soon as they are observed. Your prompt call to the public safety office enables the officer(s) on duty to respond immediately to emergencies and reported crimes. If appropriate, the state police will be summoned to assist or follow up. Depending on the nature of the incident, the residence hall director or resident assistant may be called to follow up

Non-emergency access to and from all college dormitories is confined to central entrances. Emergency exits are tagged and may have alarms to deter unauthorized use.

Security officers conduct interior and exterior checks of each residence hall at random times. When doing this, they physically check exterior ground floor doors to ensure they are secure. Random patrols of dormitory parking lots are conducted to assist students and deter vehicle vandalism

EDUCATION AND CRIME PREVENTION

Vermont Tech public safety staff are available to respond to questions or concerns from students or college personnel. Security alert notices are distributed throughout the college community through *Tech Talk* and through the campus LAN and electronic bulletin boards. Security alert bulletin boards inform members of the Vermont Tech community of recently reported crimes on or near campus. These alerts are posted for seven consecutive days and are then removed or updated. The bulletin boards are located in the lobbies of each residence hall and other areas around campus. Each board describes information about current crimes and provides advice to students, faculty and staff.

Tips to keep in mind to help you avoid becoming a victim of crime:

- Avoid traveling alone after dark.
- Walk on lighted and regularly traveled walks and pathways.
- Avoid shortcuts, and keep away from shrubbery and bushes where an assailant might be hiding.

- Report lights that are not functioning, defective doors or locks, and any other hazardous conditions to the department of public safety.
- When walking to your vehicle or residence, have your keys ready in hand.
- Keep the doors and windows to your residence locked at all times.
- NEVER SLEEP IN AN UNLOCKED ROOM.
- If you lose your keys to your room or residence hall, notify your resident director or public safety immediately so that arrangements can be made to have your lock changed.
- Inform a friend or college personnel of your plans when leaving campus.
- If you find that your room has been entered in your absence, do not go inside. Notify the department of public safety immediately. Do not touch anything, as you may disturb evidence important to an investigation.
- If you see a suspicious person or vehicle on campus, contact public safety immediately. Try to get a license plate number or a description of the vehicle.
- Do not block open entrances to any college building, as you will be subject to fines and disciplinary action if caught doing so.
- Avoid bringing large amounts of cash or other valuables to campus, and keep items of value out of sight if you do bring them to campus.
- Never lend anyone the key to your room or dorm.

The most common crimes are "rip offs." These are larcenies committed only by opportunity and occur when property is left unlocked or unattended.

CONDUCT AND RESPONSIBILITY

All members of the Vermont Tech community must be responsible for their actions and see to it that these actions do not impose on other community members. To achieve this, the college has the authority and responsibility to establish rules and standards which may require academic, moral and ethical behavior that is above the standard of society at large. Principal responsibility for proper conduct rests with you, and as much as possible, you are encouraged to resolve conflicts of individual rights and responsibilities yourself. The college becomes involved when you cannot resolve a conflict yourself, when the potential exists for personal harm, duress, or property damage, when local, state, or federal laws have been broken, or when the college regulations have been violated.

VERMONT TECH DRUG & ALCOHOL POLICY

Vermont Tech fully supports federal, state, and local laws pertaining to alcohol and drugs. The college therefore prohibits the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance. In addition, Vermont law requires that you be 21 years of age or older to consume alcoholic beverages. Use of alcoholic beverages on the property of the college is allowed as follows: Individuals of legal drinking age may drink in the privacy of their residence hall room, provided their actions do not damage or violate the rules of that residence hall; these individuals also may purchase and consume at locations and functions operated by the college's food service agent holding a Vermont liquor license, or at other events authorized by the college.

Vermont Tech allows drinking by community members and guests, but only in a responsible, legal manner. Violations will result in disciplinary actions by the college and possible criminal prosecution. The Vermont Tech Student Handbook outlines the key components of the alcohol and drug policies on campus, and students are also encouraged to read "A Drug-Free Campus, a Drug-Free Workplace," which is available from the director of student life.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Vermont Tech is committed to the full development of each community member's abilities and aspirations. As part of that commitment, the college seeks to establish and maintain a community in which all members are accorded respect, free from unwelcome sexual advances. A written policy, "Sexual Harassment and Related Unprofessional Conduct," is available to all students through the director of student life or the dean of the college, and all students are encouraged to read the policy and discuss its contents with faculty, staff, other students, or with one of the designated contact people trained to assist in implementing the policy.

These people are:

Mary Kathryn Juskiewicz	Student Life	ext. 1319
Mike Van Dyke	Admin. Ctr. 117	ext. 1213
Pam Ankuda	Admin. Ctr. 211	ext. 1530
Greg Hughes	New Morrill 306	ext. 1298
Nancy Guild	Student Life	ext. 1212

All residence hall directors

SEXUAL ASSAULT

Sexual assault is sexual contact without consent, and may involve threats, coercion, or fear of imminent harm; sexual assault can also occur in a context when one person impairs the ability of another to control their conduct by administering or employing drugs or alcohol, again without consent or perhaps without knowledge. Aggravated sexual assault involves physical injuries.

Sexual assault is not accepted or tolerated at Vermont Tech. Any person who has been assaulted should immediately contact one of the people listed below. Victims will be assisted and instructed in preserving evidence that may be needed in a criminal prosecution and encouraged to contact local or state police. At the victim's request, a counselor or advocate from the college community will assist with dealing with medical and law enforcement authorities, accompany the victim to the hospital, and provide support and information.

For a fuller understanding of the college's response to sexual assault, students are encouraged to read and discuss the college policy, available from the dean of the college or the director of student life. Students should also make use of the various educational programs on campus designed to raise awareness of sexual assault and sexual offense issues, the procedures victims should follow, and the support services available on campus and in the wider community.

Vermont Tech is committed to prevention and enforcement in matters of sexual assault, and to fostering an atmosphere of mutual respect on campus. Students are encouraged to comment on and contribute to the educational programs available on campus, and to help promote an environment where everyone can learn, work, and live in safety.

In the event of sexual assault, immediately contact one or all of the following people:

Emile Fredette (or officer on duty)	Public Safety	ext. 1292
Mike Van Dyke	Dean of the College	ext. 1213
Pam Ankuda	Human Resources	ext. 1530
Williston Campus	Dean's Office	879-2321
Vermont State Police	Bethel Barracks	234-9934
Randolph Village Police	Randolph	728-3737

Nursing students should first contact your Site Director, if available, or those listed above.

CRIME AND THE CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT

The Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990, as amended in 1999, is designed to give students, prospective students, parents, faculty and staff an enhanced understanding of the campus environment, security procedures on campus, and the incidence of crime. Students, parents, and employees with questions about the information in this flyer should feel free to contact the Department of Public Safety at 728-1292, or on campus extension 1292.

Campus incidence of:

	2003	2004	2005
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0
Arson	0	1	0
Burglary	0	3	5
Crimes of Prejudice	0	0	0
Liquor Law Arrests	1	2	0
Drug Law Arrests	1	1	1
Weapons Law Arrests	0	0	1
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0
Murder	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0
Sexual Assault			
Forcible	0	0	0
Nonforcible	0	1	0
<i>Campus Disciplinary Action for-</i>			
Liquor Law Violations	147	72	120
Drug Violations	17	11	29
Weapons Possession	0	1	3