UI DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Divisions and Key Campus Safety Programs and Initiatives

SECURITY DIVISION

FULL TIME SECURITY OFFICERS





TEMPORARY SECURITY OFFICERS

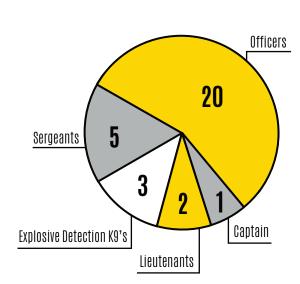
STUDENT SECURITY OFFICE



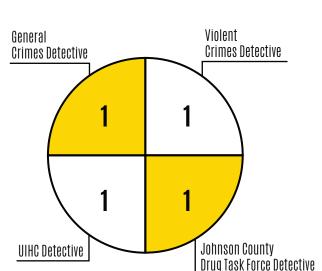
Duties, Programs, and Services

- Patrolling Residence Halls
- Operating NITE RIDE and NITE RIDE Express (free safe ride service)
- SHOUT Program
- Fingerprint Services
- Lost and Found
- Building Unlock Services
- Special Event Staffing, Special Staffing at Ronald McDonald House and Hope Lodge
- Fire Watch Patrols
- Fraternity and Sorority Life Compliance Checks

POLICE DIVISION



This unit's primary focus is campus safety and security. Our department emphasizes an education over enforcement policy across campus for minor offenses, and prioritizes discipline through the Dean of Students Office over criminal charges whenever possible and appropriate.



This unit is overseen by the police captain, with a focus on investigating serious criminal activity including but not limited to sexual assault, assault, theft, serious drug offenses, and other activity that poses a threat to campus safety.



This unit helps bridge the gap between campus and the department by developing relationships with students, faculty, and staff to help further the department's mission to promote a safe learning environment for all students and maintain a safe working environment for all employees.



UIDPS supports two positions for the **Threat Assessment Program**, that are dedicated to the early identification, assessment, and management of incidents and behaviors that threaten the safety and well-being of the university community.

RECORDS DIVISION

This unit includes:

Together these two positions are responsible for departmental record keeping, records requests, and Clery Compliance.





Administrative
Services Coordinator

KEY ACCESS AND SERVICES

This unit is responsible for:

- Issuing keys and electronic access to buildings and rooms
- Maintaining building and room open and closure schedules
- Managing university access control and alarm monitoring software
- Managing campus security video footage
- Issuing re-keying orders
- Maintaining a database of keys and cardholders

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

This unit includes a team of (8) campus dispatchers who answer emergency calls on campus, dispatch first responders, and provide support and instructions to those experiencing a campus emergency or crisis until help arrives.





This team also supports other campus operations including dispatching maintenance workers for facilities issues that occur after hours, monitoring campus alarms, issuing Hawk Alerts and facilitating Rave Guardian Safety requests.

*This is who helps you when you dial 9-1-1 on campus.

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

This unit, which reports directly to the Assistant Vice President and Director of Public Safety and the Office of Strategic Communication, helps facilitate Hawk Alert updates and Crime Alerts, manages the UI Police social media pages, coordinates all incoming media inquiries, and serves as the website administrator for the DPS website.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

This unit includes (1) Emergency Management Director

who is dedicated to ensuring that every part of the UI campus is as prepared as possible to mitigate, respond to, and recover from emergencies and disasters. The director acts as a point of contact for local, state and federal agencies prior to, during, and after an emergency or a natural disaster to ensure that resources and assistance to the university are secured as seamlessly and effectively as possible during a crisis.



This unit also includes (1) Fire Safety Coordinator

whose overall responsibility is to ensure all buildings on the UI campuses meet the state's adopted fire code. This is conducted through the coordination of fire inspections with state and local fire officials. The Fire Safety Coordinator also assists departments across the university with formulating building specific fire prevention and response plans.



KEY CAMPUS SAFETY PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

NITE RIDE, NITE RIDE EXPRESS: Free late-night transportation service available to UI students, faculty, and staff of all gender identities.

SHOUT (Students Helping OUT): Provides trained student ambassadors to patrol during student sponsored events, student gatherings, and in downtown lowa City during high traffic, weekend hours with a focus on bystander intervention and overall safety. The goal is to provide a community service to students and other patrons by helping a lost person find their group, arranging safe transportation via NITE RIDE, and providing public education about the Rave Guardian app and other safety services.

Rave Guardian: A free mobile app that lets students, faculty, and staff send anonymous tips to police, schedule a guided walk home, and call UIPD with the touch of a button.

Training Programs: The UI DPS offers a variety of free and low-cost training courses to faculty, staff, and students including but not limited to Violent Incident Survival Training (VIST), CPR, Personal Safety, etc.

Hawk Alert is used to notify the campus community of an event that is currently occurring on or imminently threatening the UI campus. UI DPS initiates a Hawk Alert for any significant emergency or dangerous situation occurring on campus involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students and employees.

Threat Assessment Program: Threat Assessment Program partners are dedicated to the early identification, assessment, and management of incidents and behaviors that threaten the safety and well-being of the university community.