

Campus Crime Report 2023

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Safety on Campus*

From Fall 2022, the University relocated its Richmond Hill campus to Chiswick. Our new site requires a valid ID card to access the University's facilities. Staff provide security support during hours of operation, including weekends. This is provided by Samsic UK. 24-hour CCTV cameras are present within the Chiswick campus. Enjoy Work, the company that operate Chiswick Park also provide CCTV coverage of all buildings and a 24/7 security response. Students are now expected to access private-sector accommodation, or iQ West Hampstead where staff provide 24/7 security support.

All members of the Richmond Community including Students, Academic and Professional Staff and any visitors or contractors are expected to visibility wear University IDs when on campus. ID cards are required to access some facilities as well as being visual indicators that an individual has a right to be on campus. If anyone on campus is seen without ID or acting suspiciously, a member of staff should be contacted immediately at the front desk. Security can be reached at all time by calling 0208 332 8230.

Further details on University Security are updated on the University's website:

<https://www.richmond.ac.uk/safety-security/>

*Note at the University also operates a Leeds Campus where undergraduates study a Bachelor of Arts in International Sports Management. This campus, until recently was managed by Leeds Beckett University (Headingley, Leeds). As of Fall 2023, the campus has moved to Cavendish Hall, Headingley, Leeds. Crime statistics collected include this campus.

Chiswick Park – the Campus Surroundings

The University is now located in Chiswick Park, a business park that is home to over 50 different companies of varying sizes. From 2022, our reporting data includes information kindly provided by Enjoy Work relating to incidents that occur in the surroundings of the campus, primarily involving members of the public or other businesses located within the vicinity of the University.

During the 2022-23 academic year, additional security measures were introduced at Chiswick Park through liaison with the Metropolitan Police to ensure the safety of those on site. Such measures include:

- Changes to vehicle access and bus routes
- Reinforced barriers on the perimeter of the Park
- Managed entry points for pedestrians and staffed vehicle checkpoints

Keeping Safe on Campus

1. While you are on campus, please always wear your ID visibly. This allows staff to easily identify you and easily shows who is a visitor. If you are asked to show your ID, please comply with the request. This is for *your* safety.
2. If you plan on hosting a visitor, please follow our policies. All guests must check in through our security office and should always wear visible ID.
3. Until further information about the incident becomes available, avoid crowded squares and public areas where people gather. Always report suspicious behaviour to a police officer. The emergency number in the UK is 999.
4. If you are a US citizen, you should register with the US State Department Smart Traveller Enrollment Programme [here](#). This programme identifies US citizens travelling abroad and alerts them to possible dangers. Should you lose your passport or run into other difficulties, support will be expedited if you are registered with STEP.UK and EU citizens may wish to consult the Travel Advisory of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office: <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice>

Students from other countries should check with their local embassies about travel alerts to stay abreast of events.

5. If you plan to travel outside of London, please alert staff in the Student Affairs office and let your peers know. It is always better to travel with friends than to travel alone. Stay in contact with family back home and let them know where you are going and when you will be returning.
6. Don't be afraid to alert a staff member to someone or something that appears suspicious or unusual. Most crimes are crimes of opportunity, but if there is no opportunity, there can be no crime!
7. If you feel unsafe, concerned, or worried, please let us know. We're here to help!

Further Health and Safety guidance can be found on the [Estates portal](#).

Student Code of Conduct

Further information for students can be found in the [Student Code of Conduct](#).

Reporting an incident on campus

Incident Reports are an important tool for assessing the safety of the Richmond Community. In the event of an incident, which could be any sort of disturbance, disruption or emergency including medical, please contact a member of security immediately.

The security staff member will then ascertain the severity of the incident and escalate as necessary.

It is essential you report any incident and/or accident you witness on campus to ensure the continued safety of all students, academic and administrative staff and visitors that use Richmond University facilities.

Further information on procedures following an incident can be found in the University's Emergency Management Plan.

What is the Clery Act?¹

The Clery Act is a US federal law titled Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (1998) which requires statistics on crimes reported on or close to campus to be reported annually with a report published 1 October to students and the public.

Clery Act crime reporting is not strictly limited to incidents occurring on campus or within campus buildings or residences. In addition to on campus and on campus housing areas, institutions must also include statistics for crimes which occur on public property within campus bounds, public property immediately adjacent to the campus and non-campus buildings owned or controlled by the organisation that are used for education purposes and frequently used by students but not a part of the core campus or those owned or controlled by a student organisation officially recognised by the University.

Wherever crimes occur, the University must maintain a daily crime log of all reported crimes that fall within their jurisdiction. This crime log must be made available to the public during daily business hours.

¹ <https://clerycenter.org/policy-resources/the-clery-act/>
<https://www2.ed.gov/admins/lead/safety/cleryappendixfinal.pdf>

In summary, the basic responsibilities of an institution under the Clery Act include:

- Collect, classify and count crime reports and statistics;
- Issue campus alerts and warning notices;
- Publish an Annual Security Report (Oct 1);
- Disclose missing student notification procedures, when applicable;
- Submit crime and fire statistics to the Department of Education, when applicable;
- Disclose procedures for institutional disciplinary actions;
- Provide educational programmes and campaigns;
- Keep a daily crime log, when applicable;
- Disclose fire safety information, when applicable.

The United States Department of Education [website](#) has various resources to assist institutions in maintaining full compliance with the Clery Act. The [Handbook on Campus Safety and Security Authority](#) includes guidelines on how institutions must report and manage Clery compliance issues.

Crimes covered by the Clery Act

(Formerly the Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act of 1990)

Primary Crimes

1. Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter
2. Negligent Manslaughter
3. Sexual Assault
 - a. rape
 - b. fondling
 - c. incest
 - d. statutory rape
4. Robbery
5. Aggravated Assault
6. Burglary
7. Motor Vehicle Theft
8. Arson

Hate Crimes

Any of the above mentioned as well as:-

- Larceny theft
- Simple assault
- Intimidation
- Destruction/ damage/ vandalism of property

Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA 2013) Offences

- Domestic violence
- Dating violence
- Stalking

Other Offences

- Weapons law violations
- Drug Abuse violations
- Liquor Law violations

Annual Statistics

	2022/23				2021/22			2020/21		
	Student-related			Non-student	Student-related			Student-related		
	C	L	P/P	CP	R	L	P/P	R	L	P/P
PRIMARY CRIMES										
Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Negligent Manslaughter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sexual Assault	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-Rape	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
-Fondling	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-Incest	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-Statutory Rape	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Robbery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aggravated Assault	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burglary	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Motor Vehicle Theft *Cycle included	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
Arson	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
HATE CRIMES- any of the above plus larceny theft, simple assault, intimidation, destruction of property under the following:										
<i>Race</i>	1	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Gender</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Religion</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Sexual Orientation</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Ethnicity</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Disability</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>National Origin</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Gender Identity</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
VAWA										
Domestic Violence	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dating Violence	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Stalking	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

Other Offences-										
Weapons law violations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drug Abuse violations	-	1	-	-	-	8	-	1	4	-
Liquor Law violations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NON CLERY- University Incident Reporting										
Student Behaviour	15	1	1	-	18	1	-	5	-	-
Harassment/ Bullying/ Intimidation	1	-	1	12	-	-	-	-	-	-
Simple Assault	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
(Larceny) Theft	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	1	-	-
Fire Alarm	2	1	-	-	14	-	-	9	-	-
Smoking & Fire Regulation Abuse	4	2	-	-	7	1	-	8	-	-
Intruder / Trespassers	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Intruder Alarm	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Vandalism (destruction of property)	-	-	1	9	5	-	-	3	-	-
Medical	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
Parking Violation	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-

**KEY: C – Chiswick (University campus)
 CP – Chiswick Park (University surroundings)
 R - Richmond
 L - Leeds Campus
 P/P - Public Property (Off Campus)