

Complying with The Jeanne Clery Act

[The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act](#) (20 USC § 1092(f)) is the landmark federal law, originally known as the Campus Security Act, that requires colleges and universities across the United States to disclose information about crime on and around their campuses.



The CLERY Act is named in memory of 19-year-old Pennsylvania's LeHigh University Freshman Jeanne Ann Clery (pictured left) who was raped and murdered while asleep in her dorm room on April 5, 1986. Jeanne's parents Connie and Howard Clery, discovered that students had not been told about the 38 violent crimes on their daughter's campus in the three years before her murder. They joined with other campus crime victims and persuaded Congress to enact this law, which was originally known as the "Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990."

The law was amended in 1992 to add a requirement that schools afford the victims of campus sexual assault certain basic rights, and was amended again in 1998 to expand the reporting requirements. The 1998 amendments also formally named the law in memory of Jeanne Clery.

Subsequent amendments in 2000 and 2008 added provisions dealing with registered sex offender notification and campus emergency response, respectively. The 2008 amendments also added a provision to protect crime victims, "Whistleblowers", and others from retaliation.

CLERY ACT COMPLIANCE INFORMATION

[US Dept of Education Statue and Regulations on Campus Security](#)

Because the law is tied to participating in federal student financial aid programs it applies to most institutions of higher education both public and private. It is enforced by the U.S. Department of Education.

[Campus Safety and Security Reporting Handbook 2016 Edition](#)

In 2020 the U.S. Department of Education rescinded and replaced the 2016 edition of the Campus Safety and Security Reporting Handbook with direction for colleges and universities to get clarification from the Clery related Appendix of the Federal Student Aid (FSA) Handbook. The link to the handbook is [here](#).

[Summary of the Jeanne Clery Act](#)

Provides an easy to understand "plain language" summary of the Jeanne Clery Act's requirements.

Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook

[Uniform Crime Reporting Program Hate Crime Data Collection Guidelines](#)

These Uniform Crime Reporting handbooks are to be used when not in conflict with the CLERY act.

[The Clery Center](#)

The Clery Center "at the heart of campus safety" is the website where the public, students and parents can find all things regarding the CLERY Act and trainings on how to keep college and universities safe and in compliance. The link to the Clery Center is [here](#).