September 28, 2012

Dear Students, Faculty, Staff, and other members of the Dominican University of California community,

Dominican University of California is required by law to publish a campus security report on an annual basis. That information is contained in this email. This information should be a reminder that each member of the campus community has a responsibility to keep Dominican a safe place to work and study. In addition, the University is providing important information about a variety of consumer topics in this letter and identifies a number of websites for you to consult. The report below is for calendar year 2011, the last full year for which data is available.

HOW TO REPORT CRIMINAL ACTIONS OR EMERGENCIES

In the event of a violent crime, a crime in progress, or an incident involving personal injury or requiring medical attention, immediately contact the San Rafael Police Department (911, or 9-911 from a campus extension phone). *Your safety comes first*.

For events that are not life threatening, contact Security or cell phone 415-269-6070.

Policies regarding campus safety are included in Dominican's handbooks for students, faculty, and staff.

CRIME PREVENTION AT DOMINICAN

The Dominican security officer will escort any member of the campus community between buildings or from a building to a car at night. A pre-scheduled escort can be arranged by calling the officer on his cell phone at (415) 269-6070.

Dominican security personnel carry pepper sprays, batons, and tasers (but not taser guns). They do not have arrest authority. However, they may call San Rafael police for assistance.

Awareness is the most critical factor in the personal safety equation. If intoxication, fatigue, or preoccupation compromises your attention to surroundings, you operate at a disadvantage and have a greater potential for being victimized. The primary responsibility for avoiding victimization resides with you.

Resident Advisors (RAs) in the residence halls undergo specialized training to respond to housing emergencies including rape, suicide prevention, earthquake, or fire. In addition, they are familiar with the University's safety procedures for investigating and reporting any suspicious or criminal activities in the residence halls.

NOTIFICATION OF CURRENT CAMPUS CRIME PROBLEMS

Students should report crimes to the Vice President for Student Life at 415-485-3282. That person collects the data for the annual crime report. Crimes also may be reported to the Facilities Services coordinator at 415-485-3210. Faculty and staff also should report crimes to the Director of Human Resources at 415-257-1365. The security staff reports to the Director of Facilities Services. Any calls from the news media regarding the occurrence of criminal incidents on campus should be directed to the Public Relations Office at (415) 485-3239.

TIMELY WARNINGS

When a situation exists on campus or in the surrounding community that in the judgment of campus officials constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat, those officials will activate Dominican University's Emergency Response Plan. As part of that plan, a "timely warning" will be issued via appropriate channels, including text and voice messages via Dominican Alerts; emails to faculty, staff, and students; the University's website; and, as appropriate, local newspapers, media, and the campus newspaper, The Habit. Included in the list of campus officials

who confer on emergency responses are the Provost/ Chief Academic Officer, Vice President for Student Life, Vice President for External Relations, Chief Financial Officer, Executive Director of Facilities and Auxiliary Services, Director of Human Resources, Dean of Students, and others as appropriate.

Dominican University notifies and cooperates with the San Rafael Police Department on situations that result in the issuance of a timely warning.

In order to ensure the receipt of timely warnings, keep your contact information up to date through self-service at https://selfservice.dominican.edu/serfservice/Home.aspx.

ACCESS TO CAMPUS FACILITIES

Classroom buildings on campus are generally open between 7am and 11pm; some buildings may close earlier. Library hours do change occasionally during the academic year to meet the demand for services and study space.

Residence hall doors should be locked at all times. Security guards and resident assistants check to be sure that all entrances remain locked and secured during their evening rounds. Individual student rooms lock with a deadbolt. Students should always take precautions when entering or leaving their residence halls and their rooms after dark. Students should travel in pairs after dark. **Students should never prop open the doors into the residence halls.**

Dominican University is moving to have all residence halls accessible only to resident students and appropriate persons. For the fall semester 2012, students entering two halls, Pennafort and Fanjeaux, must swipe their ID cards to access the facility. A valid ID is required to enter these buildings 24/7. Students must guard against giving access to an unknown person by holding the door open or by propping the door open. Meadowlands Hall usually is locked at 8:00pm and students must swipe their cards to gain entrance to that building after that time. Individual student rooms lock with a deadbolt. Residents of Edgehill Village are advised to keep the doors to their living quarters locked. Students should never prop open doors to their halls or living quarters.

EDUCATION ABOUT SAFETY

During the orientation program provided for new entering students prior to the beginning of the academic year, there are sessions about campus safety and security. The Residence Life Office (Housing) sends emails to students during the academic year about maintaining safety on campus and in the residence halls. Resident advisors talk with residents on their floors about safety. All students are encouraged to pick up a Campus Safety Pocket Guide, available in the Student Life Office in the Edgehill Mansion/Alumni Heritage House. The 2012-2013 Student Handbook and Planner contains information about safety and security on campus. Handbooks/planners are available on the second floor of the Edgehill mansion in the Student Life area.

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Please contact the Marin Sheriff's Office in the Civic Center, Room 145, between 9:30-11:30 am or between 1:30-3:30 pm. You will be able to use restricted software, aided by office staff, to find out who is a sexual offender. Bring a photo ID with you.

CRIMES IN SAN RAFAEL

If anyone wishes to see the number of crimes committed in the City of San Rafael, that person should contact the City of San Rafael Police Department. Information about these statistics and about crime in San Rafael and the University district is included on the University's Web site at www.dominican.edu/about/parking_policy.cfm. The data contained on the Web page and at the government's page on crime statistics for U. S. colleges and universities is more comprehensive.

THE GEOGRAPHICAL REPORTING AREA FOR DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY

Dominican University of California's campus is on eighty-six acres. The boundaries of the campus, roughly Belle Avenue on the parameter of Forest Meadows, to Palm, Olive, Locust, Magnolia, and Deer Park Avenues are the boundaries of the campus. That area includes approximately 223 acres of undeveloped, non-contiguous property east of Deer Park Avenue and Dominican's residence halls, Pennafort, Meadowlands, Fanjeaux, and Edgehill Village.

COOPERATION WITH LOCAL POLICE AGENCIES

Dominican has involved and will continue to involve any local or state police agency whenever the situation calls for such action. Local agencies should be contacted immediately by anyone on campus whenever there is an emergency or life-threatening incident on campus. Local agencies are also contacted when campus officials are informed of criminal activity. These agencies are contacted whether the event occurs on campus or during an off-campus activity sponsored by a student organization or by the University.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Students should always take precautions when entering or leaving their residence halls and their rooms after dark. Students should travel in pairs after dark. They should inform their roommates where they are going and when they plan to return. **Keep someone informed of your whereabouts**.

Security guards check buildings during their rounds. They make sure that all windows are locked and that lights are turned on or off as appropriate. The guards also check the parking lots around campus, including the lot near the Conlan Recreation Center.

If you are walking on campus after dark, walk with a friend or call campus security for an escort. Walk in well lit areas, near curbs, and remain sensitive to anyone walking behind you. Pick up a copy of the Campus Safety Pocket Guide in the Office of Student Life. This guide provides additional safety tips, identifies emergency assembly areas, and lists phone numbers to call in case of emergency.

FIRE SAFETY

No fires were reported on campus in 2011. Dominican University takes fire safety seriously. University personnel conduct fire drills in the residence halls and in classroom buildings each semester. Please make administrators aware of fire safety issues. As pointed out in the student handbook, it is against federal and state laws to tamper with any part of a building fire system or with any fire hose, extinguisher, sprinkler system, or smoke alarm. Any person sending a false alarm or violating any provision of the Federal or State fire laws is subject to a fine imposed by the University, civil prosecution, and possible dismissal from the University. Failure to exit a building during a building fire alarm or drill will result in a $100 fine. San Rafael fire codes dictate the maximum number of persons who can be in a room at any one time. This includes residence hall rooms.

SEXUAL ASSAULT

Sexual assault can happen anywhere. Sexual assault is a widespread problem on college and university campuses. According to some statistics as many as one in five female students is a victim of such an assault during her undergraduate years.

If you are a victim of a sexual assault, go to a safe place immediately. Leave the scene of the crime as it is. DO NOT drink, eat, shower, douche, wash your hands, comb your hair, brush your teeth, or change your clothes. Such activities destroy physical evidence that could be used in the possible prosecution of the person who assaulted you. Contact someone who can help and support you, for example a resident advisor or a trusted friend. GET MEDICAL ATTENTION immediately. Do consider contacting the police. The police are willing to meet a victim at the hospital if you do not want them to come to campus. Also consider contacting an agency such as Community Violence Solutions (800-670-7273) to advocate on your behalf at the hospital. The importance of seeking immediate medical attention cannot be overstated. On campus, the University Counseling Center and the Health Center are available to provide support and be a resource for you. See the long section “Discrimination and Harassment Policy” online at the Dominican website student handbook for other resources. The Office of Student Life will work with students involved in sexual assaults to change academic and living arrangements.

The Office of Student Life encourages a student victim to contact the San Rafael Police Department. In addition, report the sexual assault to the Vice President for Student Life, the Dean of Students, or the Director of Human Resources, who is also the Title IX Compliance Officer on campus.

Students who have committed sexual assault crimes will be reported to civic officials. In some instances those students have faced trial. Students who are referred to the Vice President of Student Life or to the Dean of Students for sexual harassment or assault issues may face expulsion.

Reporting sexual assaults may prevent future assaults.

When sexual assault or harassment incidents are reported, the University will make every effort to preserve the victim's privacy and protect the confidentiality of his or her information. However, the degree to which confidentiality can be protected will often depend upon the professional role of the person being consulted. Clergy or sexual assault victim counselors may keep the confidentiality of statements made to them in their role as clergy or counselors. Physicians and psychotherapists may keep the confidentiality of statements made to them in their role as medical professionals, but are required by law to report (1) treatment of an injury sustained during a sexual assault, and (2) suspicion of a sexual assault committed against a person under 18 years of age.

No individual shall be penalized in any way for having reported or threatened to report sexual assault, harassment, or discrimination, nor for cooperating with or participating in an investigation of a complaint or at a hearing concerning them.

MISSING PERSONS REPORTING

Dominican University of California has a missing student notification policy. Students have the option of providing confidential contact information for a person to be notified in the event that a student is officially reported as missing. The Residence Hall Emergency Contact Information form is available in the Student Life Office in the Edgehill mansion. Students who registered for housing in fall 2012 should have filled out this form when they moved into campus housing. If they did not do so, they should do so immediately in the Edgehill mansion. Those students should speak with the Dean of Students.

MAINTAINING A DRUG FREE CAMPUS

Dominican is committed to maintaining a drug-free campus. The full text of the University's policy on drugs and alcohol, including procedures governing disciplinary actions, can be found in the Staff, Faculty, and Student Handbooks. As a member of the Dominican community, you should be aware that you will jeopardize your status here if you use, buy, sell, or in any way help to make available to others any illegal drugs or alcohol. The University's Alcohol and Drug Policy is included in the 2012-2013 Student Handbook and Planner, pages 135-143, and also is included in the online version of the Student Handbook available at the Dominican University of California website. Information about controlled substances, uses and effects and federal drug trafficking penalties is included. State and federal laws pertaining to the abuse of alcohol and drugs are described in the handbook. Dominican University adheres to these laws.

Dominican University expects its students and other members of the campus community to take personal responsibility for their own conduct, to support those in the community who choose not to drink or take drugs, and to maintain standards of safety on campus.

DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA CAMPUS SECURITY REPORT 2009-2011

U. S. Public Law 101-542, the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act of 1990, requires that colleges and universities report to current faculty, staff, and students on an annual basis certain categories of crimes on campus. The statistics also must be released to prospective faculty, staff, and students on request. Listed below are the statistics Dominican maintains for the past three calendar years for each of the reportable crimes. Information on calendar year 2011 will be published next year.

	On Campus			Residence Halls			Public Property		
	09	10	11	09	10	11	09	10	11
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-negligent manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-forcible Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrests for Liquor Law Violations	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Arrests for Drug Abuse Violations	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Arrests for Illegal Weapons	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate crime	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Actions									
Illegal weapons possessions	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Law violations	5	5	10	4	4	5	1	5	5
Liquor law violations	93	198	146	93	194	133	0	4	13

Some of the liquor law violations involved students at parties where alcohol was served. In these situations each student attending the event was issued an incident report and disciplinary action was taken. For calendar year 2011, the year this report covers, there was a decrease in the number of alcohol violations on campus. Some of these liquor law violations involved students at parties where alcohol was served to persons under the age of 21. In these situations, each underage student attending the event is counted in our statistics.

There is a significant number of thefts on campus. They do not get reported as part of the data the University submits in compliance of the Cleary Act because they were not "burglaries." There were cars broken (in the Edgehill Village and the Conlan lots) into and many bicycles stolen which are not included in this report. I am happy to report that there are many fewer laptops being stolen from residence hall rooms and from campus offices. In the past, many faculty and staff lost a laptop because they left their offices open/unlocked. One car was stolen from a campus parking lot. There was one sexual assault involving two Dominican students in 2009. It occurred off-campus. The University fully investigated it. In the past there have been reported incidents of sexual assault on and not far from campus. When those assaults occurred, all parties involved were Dominican students. The incident does not have to be reported; however, in the spirit of full disclosure, I wanted you to be aware of it.

There were three arrests in 2011. Two arrests were for alcohol violations and one for a drug violation. Those arrests occurred on the Dominican University campus but did not involve anyone connected with the university. They were not students, faculty, or staff here. Because the arrests occurred on campus or on an adjacent street, I have an obligation to report them.

The University considers all reports of crime be very serious. If you know of any crimes that I might not know about, please contact me.

GRADUATION RATES AT DOMINICAN

U. S. Public Law 101-542, the Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act, requires that colleges and universities make known to current and prospective students the graduation rates of their first-time, full-time freshmen by gender and ethnicity, as well as graduation rates of athletes who received athletic related financial aid.

Dominican Graduation Rates		Graduation Rates of First-time, Full-time Freshmen		Graduation rates of Athletes Received Athletic Financial Aid		
		4-year Graduation Rates	6-year Graduation Rates	4-year Graduation Rates		
Graduation Year:		2011	2011	2011		
Cohort Starting Year:		2007	2005	2007		
Cohort Size:		297	227	Total	Basketball	All Others
				47	9	38
Total Graduated	#	110	126	30	5	25
	%	37	56	64	56	66
Male	#	23	30	14	4	10
	%	32	51	100	100	100
Female	#	87	96	16	1	15
	%	39	57	100	100	100
Hispanic/Latino	#	20	21	2	2	n/a
	%	29	46	100	100	n/a
Black/ African American	#	8	7	1	1	n/a
	%	30	39	100	100	n/a
Asian	#	27	32	2	n/a	2
	%	44	82	100	n/a	100
American Indian/ Alaska Native	#	0	1	1	n/a	1
	%	0	100	100	n/a	100
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	#	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
White	#	39	45	19	2	17
	%	39	55	100	100	100
Multiracial	#	4	8	1	n/a	1
	%	33	47	100	n/a	100
International	#	2	3	n/a	n/a	n/a
	%	50	75	n/a	n/a	n/a
Unknown	#	10	9	4	n/a	4
	%	56	45	100	n/a	100

Data source: IR Data Warehouse

More detailed data on this subject can be obtained by viewing via links below. Students are welcome to visit the Office of Institutional Research to view statistics about Dominican's graduation rates in detail since 1994.

The information on the next page is the graduation rates for the classes that entered in 2006 and 2008, and is current as of September 20, 2012. It does not include anyone from those classes who might have graduated in summer 2012.

Dominican Graduation Rates (Data as of 09/20/2012)	**Graduation Rates for First-time, Full-time Freshmen**				**Graduation rate for Athletes Received Athletic Financial Aid**					
	4-year Graduation Rates		6-year Graduation Rates		4-year Graduation Rates					
Graduation Year:	2012		2012		2012					
Cohort Starting Year:	2008		2006		2008					
Cohort Size:	267		264		Total		Basketball		All Others	
					39		13		26	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total Graduated	126	47%	149	56%	9	47%	4	57%	5	42%
Male	23	36%	31	44%	3	33%	2	67%	1	17%
Female	103	51%	118	61%	6	60%	2	50%	4	67%
Hispanic/Latino	27	43%	26	53%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
African American	2	17%	7	50%	1	100%	1	100%	n/a	n/a
Asian	32	49%	39	64%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0	0%	1	25%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	5	62%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
White	39	57%	56	57%	4	40%	1	33%	3	43%
Multiracial	5	29%	8	42%	1	100%	n/a	n/a	1	100%
International	3	43%	3	60%	1	100%	1	100%	n/a	n/a
Unknown	13	52%	9	69%	2	100%	1	100%	1	100%

Consumer Information Summary

The Financial Aid Office has prepared this summary of federally-required disclosure information for Dominican University of California students. This information was reviewed in September 2012.

The following required disclosure information is available at the location indicated:

Costs of Attendance	www.dominican.edu/admissions/aid/costs2.html
Types of Aid Available	www.dominican.edu/admissions/aid.html
Process for Receiving Aid	www.dominican.edu/admissions/aid/general-financial-aid-information.html
How Eligibility is Determined	www.dominican.edu/admissions/aid/howapply.html
How Dominican Distributes Aid among its Students	www.dominican.edu/academics/resources/catalog/2010-2012/generalfront/fininfo/financialaid
How and when financial aid is disbursed	www.dominican.edu/admissions/aid/general-financial-aid-information.html
Satisfactory Progress Requirements	www.dominican.edu/financialaid/sap
Requirements to Repay Loans	www.dominican.edu/admissions/aid/management-debt
Availability of Loan Deferments	www.dominican.edu/admissions/aid/management-debt
Entrance and Exit Counseling Requirements for Loans	www.dominican.edu/admissions/aid/loans.html
Federal Student Aid availability for Study Abroad Programs	www.dominican.edu/academics/specialprograms/studyabroad/policiesprocedures.html

Family Right to Privacy Act (FERPA)	www.dominican.edu/academics/resources/registrar/academic-information/ferpa
Requirements for Officially Withdrawing	www.dominican.edu/academics/resources/registrar/academic-information/leave-of-absence
Dominican Refund Policies	www.dominican.edu/academics/resources/registrar/academic-information/tuitionrefund
Return of Federal Student Aid Funds due to withdrawal	www.dominican.edu/admissions/aid/general-financial-aid-information.html

Completion Rates	www.dominican.edu/about/facts/institutionalresearch/right-know
Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention	http://www.dominican.edu/about/current/studentlife/studenthandbook.pdf (pages 20 -25)
Campus Crime Statistics	http://www.dominican.edu/about/current/files/crimestatsgradratesletternov07.pdf Updated version will be available online in November 2008

Accreditation	www.dominican.edu/about/facts/accreditations
Facilities and Services for Disabled Students	www.dominican.edu/academics/advising/disability.html
Facilities, labs, and libraries	www.dominican.edu/academics/resources/catalog/2010-2012/generalfront/generalinformation www.dominican.edu/academics/resources/library.html
List of Faculty and Instructional Personnel	www.dominican.edu/academics/resources/catalog/2010-2012/generalfront/facadmin

Equity in Athletics Summary	ope.ed.gov/athletics/
Athlete Completion Rates	www.dominican.edu/about/facts/institutionalresearch/right-know

The following reports are available on request. Please contact the office or individual indicated:

Annual Equity in Athletics Report	Conlan Recreation Center Coordinator, (415) 482-3507
Campus Crime Report	Vice President for Student Life, (415) 485-3282

The following information is disseminated via e-mail by the Provost's Office or Dean of Students Office to every student on an as-needed basis:

Campus Crime Timely Warning Notification

In addition to the federally-required information, students may find the following resources helpful:

Sexual Harassment and Assault Policy	http://www.dominican.edu/about/current/studentlife/sexualharass_policy.pdf (pages 26 -27)
Emergency Procedures	http://www.dominican.edu/about/current/studentlife/studenthandbook.pdf
Academic Support Services	www.dominican.edu/academics/resources/catalog/2010-2012/generalfront/academicadvising

If you have questions about the Consumer Information section of this report, please contact the Director of Financial Aid at (415)257-1302 during regular business hours.

I hope you are enjoying your semester. If you have other information about crimes that occurred in 2011 but you think we may not know about them, please contact me immediately.

In the future, Jennifer Hute, who works with the Campus Safety and Security Committee, and is a member of the Office of Human Resources, will compile and distribute this report in cooperation with The San Rafael Police Department, Barbier Security, The Office of Financial Aid, The Office of Institutional Research, and the Office of Residence Life.

Peace,

John Kennedy
Vice President for Student Life

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