Southern Nazarene University is in the suburban community of Bethany, which has a population of approximately 24,000 people. Despite a history of low crime rates and the setting, the campus is not immune to crime. Becoming aware of potential dangers and taking preventive measures will protect you and help us keep SNU a safe and pleasant environment in which to live, work, and pursue an education.

SNU also has two other off campus locations where undergraduate and graduate programs are offered to working adults. These locations are in Tulsa and in Del City.

**SNU Department of Campus Safety and Security**

The department of Campus Safety and Security and campus administration are making continual efforts to reduce crime on campus and everyone’s help is needed. We believe that a well-informed community is better served, and safer.

SNU has security personnel on duty 24 hours, seven days a week. Their primary responsibility is to provide basic security services such as locking and unlocking campus buildings, maintaining campus parking regulations, assisting motorists, and surveillance of campus property for inappropriate, suspicious, or criminal activity. Even though they are not law enforcement officers, they have direct communication to the Bethany Police Department.

SNU and the City of Bethany have an agreement wherein the Bethany Police Department assists the university’s campus security efforts by patrolling the campus during “non-committed time”.

**Preparation of Annual Security Report**

In preparation of the statistical portion of this report, SNU utilizes input from a variety of resources. The Bethany Police Department tracks and provides statistics of crimes that occurred on and around the university. SNU’s department of Safety and Security also contributes data to this. Also, the campus offices/personnel that follow, are surveyed for incidents of crime that may or may not have been reported to the local police. These offices and personnel are viewed as campus authorities to which criminal activity can be reported.

* Director of Campus Safety and Security
* Vice President of Financial Affairs
* Vice President of Student Development
* Director of Housing/Residence Life
* Resident Directors
* Director of Community Life
* Athletic Director
* Coaches
* Dean of Adult and Graduate Studies
* Associate Dean for Adult and Graduate Studies-Tulsa Center

**Learning About Issues That Impact Your Safety**

Educating the people is the primary way for addressing issues of safety on and around campus. For more information on safety topics you can go to any of the following places: Student Development Office,
Campus Safety and Security, Student Health Center, Counseling Center and with the Resident Directors of each residence hall.

**Campus Access**

During the school year, the population of SNU’s main campus in Bethany is near 2000, the size of a small town with its own vulnerability to crime. Even though there are Security personnel on duty all the time, the campus itself is open for access via several streets as well as foot traffic.

After dark, it is always a good idea to park in lighted areas, lock your doors and walk with a friend or in a group. SNU in the past has had a very low rate of crime. The most significant number of crimes is several incidents annually of breaking into autos. Please immediately report any suspicious activity to campus authorities.

**Vehicle Registration**

The registration of all vehicles used by students, faculty, and staff plays an important role in the safety of our campus. All students, faculty and staff are required to register their vehicle at the University Business Office and display a valid SNU parking permit on their windshield.

**Reporting of Crime and Safety Concerns**

In the event of an emergency where an actual crime is taking place, be advised of the following important contact numbers.

**SNU Campus Safety and Security**

1. Dial 491-6385  
2. Phone will ring, followed by dial tone  
3. Enter 009  
4. Security personnel will answer. Give them your report

**Bethany Police Department**

789-2323 In the event of an emergency give them your report.

**Residence Halls**

Hatley Hall 491-8189  
Garey Hall 491-8289  
Bracken Hall 491-8389  
Snowbarger Hall 491-8489  
Asbury and Imel 499-8524

**Tulsa/Del City**

Associate Dean (Tulsa Center) (918) 664-4100  
Dean of Adult/Grad Students (Del City) 491-6680  
Tulsa Police (Non-Emergency) (918) 669-6000  
Del City Police (Non-Emergency) (918) 677-2443

If you become aware of a crime after is has occurred, it is still helpful if you will report the incident.
Confidential Reporting of Crime
Employees who are victims/witnesses to a crime may elect to report the crime on a confidential basis. Even if the use of the information is restricted by a request for confidentiality, the information can be very helpful in providing warnings to others in the community.

Reporting of Crime by Counselors

University personnel serving as licensed counselors or pastoral counselors who work within a confidential counseling role are encouraged at the time a crime is reported to inform clients of the procedures for reporting crime voluntarily and anonymously for the purpose of providing accurate statistics on campus crime.

The University encourages and allows counselors to provide anonymous information on crime to a campus authority on a case-by-case voluntary basis.

Reporting Campus Hazards

In order to keep physical injuries at a minimum, you are encouraged to report observed physical hazards to the Physical Plant, 491-6956, or Campus Safety and Security, 491-6385, ext. 009

Timely Warning Announcements

When any of the campus security authorities noted above receive a report of a crime or situation that poses a potential threat to students and/or employees, Campus Safety and Security personnel will publish a warning or an alert to the campus, attempting to warn of the potential of criminal activity. They will warn the campus via campus wide e-mails, notify Residence Life personnel, and voice-mail for staff and faculty. The Forcast, Chapel announcements and articles in the student newspaper are alternate routes of notification.

Campus Crime Log

SNU’s Campus Safety and Security Staff maintain an open record of reported crimes and their status. If you would like to view this record you can locate it either at the Student Development (Webster Commons Building) or through the following web address: www.snu.edu/safety.

Important Safety Related Polices

Alcohol, Drugs, and Tobacco
The use, possession, or distribution of tobacco, alcoholic beverages, and illicit drugs on or off campus is prohibited.

Weapons
Weapons are not allowed on the campus. Hand guns, shot guns, air guns, pellet guns, paint guns, rifles, hunting knives, martial arts weapons and fireworks are examples of prohibited weapons. Possession of these weapons may result in arrest and will result in a fine and confiscation of the weapon(s).

Tips for Personal Safety

Protecting Yourself Against Assult
Although we cannot guarantee that you will never be a victim of assault or rape, there are several steps you can take to minimize your chances of being a victim.
The following are suggestions for you to incorporate into your daily living routine:

**On The Street**
- Do not walk alone unless you absolutely have to.
- Be aware of what is happening around you. Know where you are and where you are going.
- If you walk home from work regularly, vary your route. Do not be predictable! Walk away from bushes, alleys, and dark entryways. Stay in well-lighted areas.
- Do not be surprised. Attackers rely on the element of surprise. Do not wear headphones while walking alone.
- Trust your instincts. If you think you are being followed, walk towards a busy, lighted area. Scream loudly to attract attention, then tell someone to call the police because you are being followed.
- If someone bothers you from a car, turn and walk the other way. If at all possible get the license plate number and alert the police when you are in a safe place.
- When you are walking, keep one hand free. Keep your purse close to your body. If you are carrying books or packages, be prepared to drop them if you are being attacked. Nothing you are holding is worth your life. Drop it and run.

**Jogging on the Track and Streets**
- It is safer to be with a friend or group when jogging.
- Avoid running during the evening hours on the streets away from campus.
- When running during the evening hours, run with a friend or group.

**In Your Car**
- Have your keys in your hand as you approach your car. Do not fumble around with your attention focused on something other than what is happening around you.
- Always look inside your car, the back seat and the floor, before you get in.
- Keep your car doors locked and your windows up when you drive.
- Do not let the gas in your car get low. You do not want to have to stop for gas in places where you would not want to walk.

**Be Prepared For Emergencies**
- Carry a flashlight, flares, or reflectors and an emergency manual in the car.
- Know how to change a flat tire. Make certain the spare tire is in good condition, and that the proper jack and all its parts are in the car.
- If your car breaks down at night, put on your emergency flashers and place a flare about twenty feet behind your car. Remain in your car with the doors locked and the windows closed until police arrive.
- If another motorist stops to assist you, roll the window down a crack and ask him/her to call the police or a towing service for you.
- Always keep enough money in your car to make an emergency phone call.
- If possible, purchase a cellular phone to have with you for emergencies.

**Rape: Fact vs. Fiction**
There are many misconceptions about sexual assault. People in every segment of society have developed their own “ideas” about rape and rape victims. The “blame it on the victim” attitude makes it difficult for the victim to seek help and to begin the recovery process. It is through the myths and misconceptions about rape that not only do many women increase their chances of becoming a victim, but many others are allowed to turn the victim into the villain.

Here are some of the common and inappropriate beliefs about rape:

*Fiction:* Rape will not happen to me or someone I know.
*Fact:* One if every six women you know will be a victim of sexual assault. Men, women and
children… old people, young people…people from every socioeconomic group, every religion have been victimized. Rape is the most unreported crime in the United States. It occurs every five minutes.

**Fiction:** Rape does not happen at schools like ours.
**Fact:** A rape can occur at any school. The potential is everywhere. The threat can come from people on or off campus.

**Fiction:** The rapist is almost always a stranger to the victim.
**Fact:** Most women are raped by someone they know - a date, an acquaintance, a neighbor, a relative. These rapes generally go unreported. In fact, almost half of these rapes never get reported. Any woman forced into having sex against her wishes has been victimized by rape. If the rape occurs with a friend or relative, the victim often feels somewhat “responsible” for the act, is unwilling to “confess” it to others, and is discouraged from seeking professional help.

**Fiction:** Men rape because they want sex. They are usually frustrated because they have limited opportunities for sex. Many are maniacs or psychopaths.
**Fact:** The motivation for rape is the need to have power and to control. Forcing women to have sex against their will is an act of aggression and violence. The rapist is angry and feels the need to dominate and uses sex as his weapon.

**Fiction:** Women really want to be raped. They “ask for it” by the way they dress or act.
**Fact:** No person ever wants to be a victim of a violent, life-threatening act. Most victims have feelings of terror, humiliation and degradation.

**What To Do If You Have Been Raped**

**GET INTO A SAFE PLACE**
Go someplace where you feel safe and can get emotional support. Contact Security. Find a friend and/or your Resident Assistant or Resident Director. They will assist you in getting the appropriate help and support you need. If you want, call a rape-crisis hotline. Even though you may feel “dirty”-

**DO NOT BATHE OR SHOWER**
**DO NOT CHANGE CLOTHES**
**DO NOT DOUCHE**

**GO TO THE HOSPITAL**
It is important that you get medical attention for treatment of injuries and for other tests, which are for you benefit both physically and legally.

**REPORT THE RAPE**
The decision to report the rape is yours if you are of legal age. Reporting a rape is an important part in the fight to end this type of crime. But you must choose to do what is comfortable for you.

**GET COUNSELING**
Counseling is an essential step in the recovery process. Even if you do not report the rape and pursue the legal action against your attacker, you will need the help of a trained counselor. Counselors who are trained in rape-crisis can be found in hospitals, rape-crisis centers or mental health centers. Professional counseling services are available without charge in the Counseling Center of the Student Development Office (ph. 491-6335)

**A Special Word About DATE RAPE…**
No one ever thinks that a dating situation with a friend will ever get out of control…BUT it can.
Your best defense for minimizing your chances for a problem is precaution. Here are a few suggestions:
- On first dates, enjoy an evening activity in a well-lighted public area.
- Go out with another couple, or at least let your roommate or friend know where you are going, who you are going with, and what time you expect to return.
- Avoid getting into places and situations, which may lead to a compromise (dark “parking” spots, your date’s apartment)
- Be aware of non-verbal and verbal cues, which may warn you of a potentially dangerous situation.
- Trust your instincts. It may not be “just your imagination”

Sexual Assaults and Offenses

**Definition:** Any sexual act directed against another person, forcible and/or against that person’s will; or not forcibly or against the person’s will where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

**Policy**
It is the policy of Southern Nazarene University, in keeping with its Christian standards and with efforts to establish an environment in which the dignity and worth of all members of the institutional community are respected and in keeping with the standards set in the 1992 Campus Sexual Assault Victim’s Bill of Rights that sexual assaults on students and employees of Southern Nazarene University are totally unacceptable and intolerable.

**Procedures and Services**
Victims of sexual assaults need to know that they are encouraged to report offenses immediately to Security and go to the hospital emergency room. The employee can avail himself/herself of the support opportunities on campus or through outside agencies. Listed below are some of the excellent Crisis Intervention Hotline support services:

- Bethany Police Department 789-2323  
  (BPD has staff trained in rape crisis intervention)

- CONTACT Crisis Hotline 848-2273

- Deaconess Hospital Emergency Department 949-6106

- Domestic Violence Hotline-YWCA 949-1866

- Integris Health/Baptist Medical Center Emergency Room 949-3155

- Integris Health/Bethany Hospital Emergency Room 787-3450

- Mercy Hospital Social Services Department 752-3763

- Norman Shelter for Battered Women Crisis Line 360-0590

- SNU Student Health Center 491-6605

The victim has choices open to him/her on many different levels. It is your choice to ask that on-campus disciplinary procedures be activated by going to the Student Development Office. It is the right of the accuser and the accused to have others present during the proceedings and to have both parties informed
of the outcome. Sanctions may involve counseling, probation, suspensions, or dismissal from school. It is also your choice to go directly to the local police department if you desire to have on-campus personnel assist you in the process. The Student Development Office will also work with the victim to change academics and living situations after sexual assault incidents, if requested by the victim and if these changes are reasonably available.

Whether you want to pursue the offense through any kind of judicial proceedings or not, it is important to go to the hospital to receive proper medical attention and preserve evidence in the event of future decisions to pursue the offense judicially. It is also important to contact Student Development and/or the Counseling Center so that you can receive the emotional support that is needed.

**Annual Crime Report**

The information in the crime statistics report can be accessed through the following web address: [www.snu.edu/safety](http://www.snu.edu/safety) or you can pick up a printed copy of the report in the Student Development Office, located in the basement of the Webster Commons.

The figures shown in the crime statistics table represent incidents of alleged criminal offenses that have been reported to police or campus authorities.

Crime Statistics for the Tulsa and Del City centers are also included in the report. Any crime at these locations is included in the categories described in the government’s classifications as either “non-campus building or property” or “public property”.