University of Hartford Student Advisory Committee for Public Safety

Objective
To establish policy governing the scope and function of a Student Advisory Committee for Public Safety at the University of Hartford.

Policy
It is the policy of the Department of Public Safety to establish and maintain a formal student advisory committee committed to fostering relationships with students in an effort to improve the safety and security of all members of the University of Hartford Community.

Purpose
The UHART Student Advisory Committee for Public Safety will provide input and recommend strategies to enhance the University’s security policies, practices and programs and serve as a forum to voice concerns about, and provide ideas for improving, security at the University of Hartford.

Duties of the Committee
The duties of the Student Advisory Committee for Public Safety shall include, but not be limited to the following:

1. To advise and make recommendations to the Chief of Public Safety concerning the provision of protection and services within the University which may improve policies, processes or procedures to better facilitate the mission and services of the Department of Public Safety.
2. To ensure student inclusion and involvement in issues impacting safety and security on campus.
3. To enhance public safety/community relations.
4. To promote and support public awareness of the University’s security services and programs.
5. To educate students on crime prevention, individual safety, and emergency preparedness.
6. To enhance support and advocacy for victims of crime.
7. To review community needs and concerns, expectations and responses relative to public safety services and community oriented policing.
Composition of the Committee

The Student Advisory Committee for Public Safety shall include a member(s) of the Department of Public Safety and University students. University Faculty and Staff members may serve as advisors as needed.

The Student Advisory Committee shall strive to resemble the diverse nature of the University’s student body. Graduate, undergraduate, commuter and residential students of all races, ethnicities, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, majors, and backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

1. Department of Public Safety  
   a. Chief of Public Safety or Designee

2. Faculty/Staff advisors  
   a. International Student Services  
   b. Connections  
   c. Reslife  
   d. Other

3. Students  
   a. Commuter Students  
   b. Residential Students  
   c. Graduate Students

The Student Advisory Committee for Public Safety shall include a minimum of three (3) students and a maximum of ten (10) students. Students selected to serve on the Committee shall serve for a term of one (1) year.

Selection Process

Interested students shall complete an application. The Chief of Public Safety shall convene a panel of three (3) Faculty/Staff advisors to review the applications and select students for assignment to the Committee. The panel shall strive to compose a diverse committee representative of the student body at the University.

Scope

The Student Advisory Committee for Public Safety shall make recommendations to the Chief of Public Safety in matters concerning safety and security at the University of Hartford. The Chief of Public Safety may take the recommendations of the committee under consideration; however, the Committee has no authority to establish policies or change existing policies of the Department of Public Safety. Recommendations concerning safety and security that are outside the scope of responsibility of the Department of Public Safety shall be forwarded to the responsible department.