

SECURITY AT UMD

There are several systems in place to promote safety and security at University of Maryland, College Park. Here are some of the following:

Electronic Access Control and Security System

All residence halls, except the Leonardtown community, are protected by an electronic security system; main entrance doors, stairwells, elevators, and other areas are secured with a card reader. These entrances are only accessible with University access cards. All bedrooms also have locks. Should a key be lost or stolen, locks are immediately changed.

N.I.T.E. Ride (Night Intra-Campus Transit Express)

This is a curb-to-curb transportation service provided by UMD's Department of Transportation Services. NITE Ride is available seven nights a week from 5:30 PM to 7:30 AM when the university is open. For more information, please visit www.dots.umd.edu.

Blue Light PERT Phones

Yellow phones within buildings or phones encased within a blue cylindrical column marked *Emergency* are placed throughout campus, both inside and outside many academic and administrative buildings and residence halls. These phones provide a direct line to Campus Police, and the phone system will inform the dispatcher of the caller's exact location.

Video Camera System

Security video cameras have been installed in certain high-traffic exterior and interior public spaces on campus. These cameras are recorded 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Campus police personnel monitor these cameras during specific hours throughout the day and night. More information concerning video camera sites can be found at <http://universityofmarylandpolice.com/>.

24 Hour Escort Service

The University of Maryland Police Department provides an escort service for anyone who feels unsafe when walking across campus. The escorts are conducted by the Student Police Auxiliary foot patrol program in which Student Police Aides (SPAs) patrol the campus on foot and on bicycle. If you would like an escort, please call the UMDPS to request one at: 301-405-3555. You may also use a blue light emergency PERT phone to call for an escort.

Guardian Application

The UMD Guardian app is a mobile campus safety application available to all students, faculty and staff. The app is designed to allow users quick and easy contact with the UMPD and users can initiate a safety timer session; place a panic (emergency) call to UMPD; or text a tip to UMPD.

Social Media

Follow the University of Maryland's Police Department on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/UMPD> or the UMD Police Auxiliary Escorts at <https://twitter.com/umpdaux?lang=en> . Staff and guests can also view information via their Facebook account @UMDPoliceDept.