The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey Police Department is a fully sworn police agency and is responsible for maintaining law and order on the college campus. The men and women who make up the police department are academy trained police professionals, certified and approved by the New Jersey Police Training Commission. Following the successful completion of the basic police academy, officers attend annual in-service training to keep abreast of changes in the law, which provides for the professional delivery of services.

The police department is fundamentally concerned with the protection of life and property and works closely with many law enforcement agencies within the state and nation in order to protect and serve our growing community.

General Information
Uniformed police officers patrol the campus and the surrounding roadways in marked police vehicles, on bicycle and on foot, ready to respond to any emergency or call for service. Several police officers are certified and designated as Community Policing Officers. The police department is located on College Drive, between Oakpond Drive and Pomeroy Road (Route 575), across from the Housing IV complex. A community policing office/substation is located within the main academic complex. The police department’s efforts are geared toward maintaining a safe and secure environment in which to live, work and learn.

Fire Safety
The Stockton Police Department works closely with the various departments on campus, the local fire department and the Office of the State Fire Marshal regarding fire safety matters. Professionally trained Communications Operators monitor a fire command system, which alerts to fire alarms campus wide, twenty-four hours a day.

Medical Emergencies
Medical emergencies receive top priority. Police officers are on duty 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to respond to such emergencies and to provide other related services. The police are trained and certified with and employ Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). Several officers are certified Emergency Medical Technicians. The police are aided by the college’s Office of Health Services, the Galloway Township ambulance squad and para-medics from the Atlantic City Medical Center’s Mainland Division, which is located on the college campus.

Community Services
Police officers are available to assist the campus community in a number of crime prevention and public safety efforts. These include: “Operation Identification”, which provides for the
engraving of personal property; bicycle registration; vehicle registration; and Rape Aggression Defense (RAD), a self defense training program for women. Officers are also available to speak to individuals or groups about crime prevention and other public safety issues. To arrange for any of these programs or to have an officer speak with you or your organization, dial extension 4390 or 652-4390. All programs and services are free to the campus community.

Part-Time Job Opportunities/
Internship Studies
The Stockton Police Department employs students to assist in the delivery of safety services on campus.
Internships are available to qualified students through the Criminal Justice Program within the Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Parking and Traffic
Stockton Police Officers enforce all state and local statutes and/or laws regarding the operation of motor vehicles. Vehicle operators must have a valid driver’s license and only motor vehicles bearing current and valid registration, insurance and inspection may be operated or parked on campus. Except for resident students, long term parking in the campus lots is prohibited. Disabled vehicles must be reported immediately and removed within 24 hours. In addition to the Stockton Police, the Galloway Township Police, NJ State Police and the Atlantic County Sheriff’s Department have the authority to enforce all motor vehicle statutes on campus. All motor vehicle summonses issued are adjudicated through the Municipal Court of Galloway Township. Parking lots and/or spaces are not reserved except for handicapped persons, and authorized service vehicles, with the proper permits. Certain vehicles visiting the campus may require a special permit and/or pass. The following exceptions apply: licensed buses and taxis, attendees at events to which the general public is invited and persons who are invited guests of a current employee, faculty or staff member, or a recognized college organization or division. For further information, contact the police department at (609) 652-4390.

Crime Prevention
Awareness, prevention and involvement are the most effective means of dealing with the problem of crime. An involved and aware community, in a cooperative effort with the police, can do much to prevent crime and help insure a safe and secure campus. Such cooperative efforts have been shown to do much in reducing crime and its effects. The Stockton Police Department encourages these efforts by working closely with the various individuals, groups and organizations that make up our growing campus community.

Prevention Tips . . .
Prevention is the most effective means of dealing with crime. You can help to diminish crime on campus by not tolerating it. When you see a crime, report it to the Campus Police. In addition, we offer you the following helpful hints:

- Secure your valuables, keep doors and windows locked.
- Value your safety and the safety of others.
- Employ common sense and be aware of your surroundings.
- Plan your route. Take well-lighted, busy walkways whenever possible.
- Never take shortcuts through poorly lighted areas.
- Don’t walk alone. Get a friend to walk with you, especially at night or take advantage of Stockton’s free escort program.
- If you must walk alone, walk near the curb. Avoid alleys, entryways, and shrubs where someone may be hiding.
- Have your keys ready before you get to your residence or car.
- If you discover that someone is following you, get to a well-lighted area and telephone the police.
- Never accept a ride from a stranger. We strongly recommend that you do not hitchhike.
- On campus students should not allow anyone into their residence halls or apartments without first asking for proper identification.
- For individuals who commute to the campus, we discourage you from keeping valuables in your car including clothing, loose change or other personal items.
- Be alert and cognizant of your surroundings. Watch out for suspicious persons and dangerous situations. Notify the police of all suspicious persons by calling 911.

Remember, many victims of crime once said, “it can’t happen to me.”

Finally, we hope that your stay at Stockton will be both an enjoyable and safe one!

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Emergency ........................................... 911
General Information ....................... 652-4390
Chief’s Office ................................. 652-4378