POLICY

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POL U5620.01 – POSSESSING FIREARMS OR DANGEROUS WEAPONS ON WWU CAMPUS

This policy applies to all individuals who work, live, or visit the Western Washington University campus.

Only Persons Who Are Authorized May Carry Firearms or Other Weapons on Campus

Firearms and dangerous weapons. (1) Only such persons who are authorized to carry firearms or other weapons as duly appointed and commissioned law enforcement officers in the state of Washington, commissioned by agencies of the United States government, or authorized by contract with the university, shall possess firearms or other weapons issued for their possession by their respective law enforcement agencies or employers while on the campus or other university-controlled property, including, but not limited to, residence halls. No one may possess explosives unless licensed to do so for purposes of conducting university-authorized activities relating to building construction or demolition.

Storage Facility is Provided to Place Firearms or Weapons

(2) Other than the law enforcement officers or other individuals referenced in subsection (1) of this section, members of the campus community and visitors who bring firearms or other weapons to campus must immediately place the firearms or weapons in the university-provided storage facility. The storage facility is located at the university public safety Department and is accessible twenty-four hours per day.

Arrangements Can Be Made for Demonstration or Educational Activities Involving Weapons

(3) If any member of the campus community or visitor wishes to bring a weapon to the campus for display or demonstration purposes directly related to a class, seminar, or other educational activity, permission for such possession may be applied for at the university Public Safety Department, which shall review any such proposal and may establish the conditions of the possession on campus.

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