



THE UNIVERSITY of  
NEW ORLEANS

**Policy No:** AP-SA-04.3  
**TITLE:** Weapons on Campus  
**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 25, 2014  
(\*Policy Revised, see below)  
**CANCELLATION:**  
**REVIEW DATE:** Spring 2026

**ADMINISTERED BY:** Office of Vice  
President for Student Affairs

#### **PURPOSE**

The University of New Orleans, as part of the University of Louisiana System, is designated as a “Firearm-Free Zone” as defined in Louisiana Law Revised Statute 14:95.6, which states “a firearm-free zone is an area inclusive of any school campus and within one thousand feet of any such campus, and within a school bus. According to Louisiana Law Revised Statute 14:95.2, the definition of a “school” is any elementary, secondary, high school, vocational-technical school, college or university in this state.

Therefore, pursuant to Louisiana Law Revised Statute 14:95.2(A) carrying a firearm or dangerous weapon by a student [Reference AP-AA-38] or non-student on school property, at a school sponsored function or affiliated function, or in a firearm-free zone is unlawful and shall be defined as possession of any firearm or dangerous weapon, on one’s person, at any time while on a school campus, on school transportation, or at any school sponsored function in a specific designated area including but not limited to athletic competitions, dances, parties or any extracurricular activities or within one thousand feet of any school campus.

#### **AUTHORITY**

*Part Two, Chapter III, Section IV of the bylaws and rules of the University of Louisiana System.*

#### **DEFINITIONS**

A firearm is defined as any pistol, revolver, rifle, shotgun, machine gun, submachine gun, or assault rifle, which is designed to fire or is capable of firing fixed cartridge ammunition or from which a shot or projectile is discharged by an explosive.

A dangerous weapon is defined as any gas, liquid or other substance or instrumentality, which, in the manner used, is calculated or likely to produce death or great bodily harm.

Other weapon including but not limited to, BB guns, air guns, paint guns, toy weapons, switchblades, or knives with a blade longer than 5 inches are prohibited on campus.

## **GENERAL POLICY**

Any person who wishes to possess a firearm sanctioned by state law and university policies while on school property, school transportation or at any school sponsored or affiliated function, must first register such weapon with the Department of Public Safety and Security before bringing the firearm on school property, school transportation or to any school sponsored or affiliated function.

If the use of a weapon/facsimile of a weapon is needed for an academic project such as a film class or in a theater production, permission must first be requested from the Department of Public Safety and Security and the Dean of the College. Permission must be received before an individual brings the item to campus.

Violators of the "Weapons on Campus Policy" may be subject to criminal charges. Students found in violation may be subject to sanctioning through the Office of Student Accountability and Disability Services. Possession of a firearm, when in violation of state laws, University of Louisiana System policy or UNO policy, shall be grounds for dismissal from the University.



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*\*Policy Updates:  
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