

VCFA Campus Safety:

Be Attentive and Prepared!



Vermont College of Fine Arts is located in a small city with a very strong reputation for safety. However, we recommend that all staff, students, faculty, and visitors take precautions when they are on the VCFA campus. VCFA Campus Safety and Facilities Operations are available 24/7 during on-campus residencies by calling **(802) 828-8888**.

PERSONAL HEALTH & SAFETY

- Wear appropriate footwear for the weather. If pathways are icy or dangerous, please contact Campus Safety/ Facilities Operations, (802) 828-8888.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Avoid isolated, dark areas. If you are traveling off campus, call a taxi if needed.
- Consider carrying a small flashlight. Flashlights are available from Campus Safety upon request.
- Do not leave valuables including laptops, bags and personal electronic devices unattended or visible in classrooms, parked cars or unlocked rooms.
- Carry your cell phone and keep it charged.
- Lock your car. Lock valuables in the trunk or hide them from view.
- Know your limits with alcohol.
- Help avoid the spread of illness: wash your hands regularly and do not cough or sneeze openly.

DORM SECURITY

- Residence hall entrance doors are locked during all hours when buildings are not in regular use. Please never prop open any exterior doors.
- When using your key to enter a building, do not allow strangers to follow you into the building.
- Stop and question any strangers in dorm buildings (e.g., “Can I help you with something?”) Notify Campus Safety or 911 immediately of any suspicious activity.
- Keep your dorm room doors locked at all times. Please call Campus Safety/Facilities Operations to report any problems with locks.
- Never leave your dorm room unlocked and unoccupied. A thief with a target in mind only needs seconds to accomplish a task.
- Lock your dorm room when you are sleeping.

TECHNOLOGY SECURITY

- Do not leave electronics unattended.
- Never give out your VCFA ID number or password.
- Personally identify your property with an identifying number that can only be traced back to you.
- Never allow a computer to save your username or password.
- Make up passwords that are easy to remember but hard to guess or crack.
- Keep your personal computer’s virus software up-to-date.
- Lock your keyboard or log off when away from your computer.

REMEMBER...

Anytime you need immediate police, fire or medical response, **call 911**. In addition, please call **Campus Safety at x8888 or (802) 828-8888**.