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TITLE: AUTHORITY OF BRCC CAMPUS POLICE

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POLICY STATEMENT

Baton Rouge Community College police officers are vested with all of the powers, authority, and responsibilities granted to any police officer of the state while on property owned by the College, (including adjacent public streets) as set forth in Section 17:1805 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes. All BRCC Police Officers are commissioned by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections and have full law enforcement authority.

SCOPE AND APPLICABILITY

Applicable to all BRCC Police Officers.

AUTHORITY OF BRCC POLICE

L.R.S. 17:1805 Authority of University or College Police Officer:

- A. (1) Those persons who are university or college police officers responsible for maintaining general order and exercising police power on the campus of a state supported or private college or university shall be designated as university or college police officers.
 - (2) Each as such person named as police officer by the president of the college or university shall be commissioned as a university or college police officer by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections or as provided in Subsection E of this Section. Such commission shall remain in force and in effect at the pleasure of the employing college or university.
 - (3) While in or out of uniform, these police officers shall have the right to carry concealed weapons and to exercise the power of arrest when discharging their duties on their respective campuses and on streets, roads, and right-of-way to the extent they are within or contiguous to the perimeter of such campuses. In the discharge of their duties on campus and while in pursuit on or off the campus, each university or college police officer may exercise the power of arrest.
 - (4) Each such police officer shall execute a bond in the amount of ten thousand dollars in favor of the state for the faithful performance of their duties. The premium bond shall be paid by the employing institution.
- B. Any person arrested by a college or university police officer, in the exercise of the power hereinabove granted, shall be immediately transferred by such officer to the custody of the sheriff or city police wherein arrest occurs.



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- C. On and after January 1, 1975, no person shall be commissioned as a college or university police officer, unless prior to such commissioning the person has, as a minimum requirement, completed and graduated from the six-week program of the Basic Law Enforcement Training Academy of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College or possesses equivalent training or experience.
- D. Upon authorization by the chief administrative officer of the educational institution, a college or university police officer shall have authority to discharge his duties off campus as follows:
 - (1) If engaging in intelligence gathering activity.
 - (2) When investigating a crime committed on campus.
 - (3) When transporting prisoners in furtherance of duties as set forth in this Section
 - (4) When transporting money, securities, or other valuables on behalf of the college or university.
 - (5) While providing security or protective services for visiting dignitaries to the college or university both on and off the campus.
 - (6) If specifically requested by the chief law enforcement officer of the parish or city.
- E. Notwithstanding any of the provisions of this Section to the contrary, any state supported or private college or university situated within the territorial limits of any municipality having a population in excess of two hundred fifty thousand persons may, at the option of said college or university, have its campus police officers commissioned as university or college police officers by such municipal or city police department, rather than the Department of Public Safety, upon complying with the requirements and regulations as may be prescribed by said municipal or city police department for the commissioning of special officers. Such commissions issued by a municipal or city police department shall confer upon such campus police officers all rights and privileges as are enumerated in this Section with respect to officers commissioned through and by the Department of Public Safety; provided, however, that such officers shall not be entitled to supplemental pay for municipal police officers.
- F. Notwithstanding any provision of this Section to the contrary, on July, 1991 and thereafter, no person shall be commissioned as a university or college police officer by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections or as otherwise provided in Subsection of this Section until there has been a determination made by the commissioning authority that the particular public or private college or university name the police officers is in compliance with the provisions of R.S. 17:3351 (C), or, in the case of a private college or university, is in compliance with substantially similar requirements adopted by the particular institution, relative to reporting certain statistics on reported criminal offenses, adopting certain written security policies and procedures, and publishing certain such policies and procedures.



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G. Each person who is employed as a full-time college or university police officer may carry a concealed handgun, whether in uniform or not and whether on or off duty, provided the person meets the requirements for college and university police officers set forth in this Section and is certified by the Council on Peace Officers Standards and Training.

(Acts 1968, No. 529, §§1, 2; Acts 1974, No. 269, §1; Acts 1978, No. 754, §1; Acts 1979, No. 594, §1; Acts 1981, No. 874, §1; Acts 1984, No. 478, §1; Acts 1990, No. 916, §1, eff. July 25, 1990; Acts 1991, No. 289, §8; Acts 1995, No. 1192, §1; Acts 1997, No. 508, §2.)

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