

Sacramento State's Police Department

The Department of Public Safety responds to campus emergencies and reports of criminal activity on campus. Public Safety provides law enforcement services for the university community 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Officers patrol on foot, bicycle, and patrol car.

Sacramento State's police officers are fully certified, sworn police officers vested with full police powers. Officers receive the same academy and advanced officer training as their municipal and county law enforcement counterparts. They are responsible for a wide range of activities, including public safety, documenting crime and accidents, criminal investigation and prosecution, traffic enforcement, opening locked vehicles, providing battery packs, free bicycle registration, crime prevention information, fire and medical aid, special events security and many other services.

Sacramento State students are employed through the University Police Department as community service officers, with the primary responsibility of providing additional patrols to the campus grounds and Residential Life complex.

Our public counter, located on the first floor of the Public Services Building, never closes.

Field Operations

The Field Operations Division of the University Police Department is a full-service state police agency staffed by sworn officers

The officers work 10 hour watches, four days a week with shifts overlapping during periods of peak activity. When special events are scheduled, additional officers are scheduled for duty and our force is supported by officers from other University Police Departments and allied agencies in the area.

The officers are the first responders to all reports of on-campus emergencies. All officers are state certified as prescribed by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training and are fully vested with statewide authority by Penal Code Section 830.2. Additionally, all officers receive training based on the National Incident Management System and the Statewide Emergency Management System to prepare them as first responders in the event of a catastrophic emergency.

Community Service Officers

Patrol officers are supplemented by the Community Service Officer Program. community service officers or "CSOs" are students primarily interested in a career in law enforcement. CSO-s work approximately 16 hours a week in different functions for the

department, performing security, escort, and special event coverage in addition to providing an extra uniformed presence.

The Community Service Officer section of the University Police Department perform a wide variety of duties in support of the mission of the department.

The duties can range from speaking to incoming freshman about “crime prevention,” conducting resident hall security, or patrolling the Sacramento State campus for security violations and hazards.

Regardless of the assignment, community service officers are always present as resources for the community and act as “eyes and ears” for the University Police.