



Campus Safety

Michigan State University

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Michigan State University Police Force

- Michigan State University has a dedicated police department. MSU police officers are certified by the State of Michigan and they patrol campus 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. The MSU Police Department offers a variety of programs and services to proactively protect the safety of the MSU community.
- For more information, please visit the [MSU Police website.](#)

Emergency Green Phones

- Emergency phones are located throughout the MSU campus. These phones are identified by a green light above the phone and can be found both outside, as well as in residence halls and select buildings.
- On the phones, there is an emergency 911 dial on the keypad which callers can use to put them directly in contact with the campus police dispatcher.
- A second option for those needing help, but who are unable to initiate voice contact, is the emergency 911 button that may be pushed. Campus police will respond to the location of the phone. With either option no voice contact is necessary.



MSU Alert – Emergency Notification System

- The Michigan State University Police Department has a comprehensive notification system to distribute timely warning and emergency notification messages.
- These messages are intended to warn the community about certain crimes and notify citizens of potentially dangerous situations on or near campus.
- These warnings and notifications can be delivered via three main platforms: voice messages to phones, e-mail and SMS text messaging. [Sign up for MSU Alert with your MSU Net ID and password.](#)

Safety in the Residence Halls

- All residence hall wings are locked 24 hours a day, seven days a week. A valid MSU ID card is required to access living wings and to activate elevators within the residence halls. All guests must be accompanied by a resident for the duration of their stay.
- Residence hall rooms are equipped with peepholes located on main doors and students are always encouraged to keep their doors locked . After midnight, all guests must also be registered with the night receptionist and entry is restricted to front doors only.

Getting Around Campus at Night

- MSU offers several late-night services for students traveling on campus after dark.
- CATA Buses run throughout campus until 2:00 a.m.
- The Night Owl bus provides late night/early morning campus service at times when other CATA buses are not running. Passengers may travel between any two locations on campus. Rides are restricted to the MSU campus only.
- StateWalk is a program run by MSU's Alpha Phi Omega Co-ed National Community Service Fraternity, which provides pairs of volunteers to walk with individuals from the MSU Library to other on-campus destinations on Sunday thru Thursday from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
- ASMSU SafeRide program is a service provided to members of the Michigan State University community as a safe and free alternative to walking alone after dark.

Emergency Resources

- MSU Center for Survivors 24-hour Crisis Hotline: 517-372-6666
- MSU Community Mental Health: 800-372-8460 or 517-346-8460
- MSU Safe Place (Domestic Violence Shelter): 517-355-1100
- MSU Police: 517-355-2221
- Counseling and Psychiatry Services: 517-355-8270