

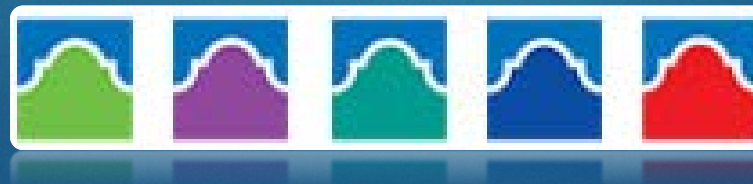
CAMPUS CARRY

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



Agenda

- The Campus Carry Law
- Impact on the Alamo Colleges District
- Prohibited Areas
- Practice Scenarios
- Closing



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Course Objectives:

1. Define the licensed concealed campus carry law.
2. Describe the affects of the Licensed Concealed Campus Carry law to the Alamo Community.
3. Identify the Prohibited Areas at Alamo Colleges District.
4. Identify violations of the Alamo Licensed Concealed Campus Carry Policy.
5. Identify how to report violations of the Alamo Licensed Concealed Campus Carry Policy.

What is Campus Carry?

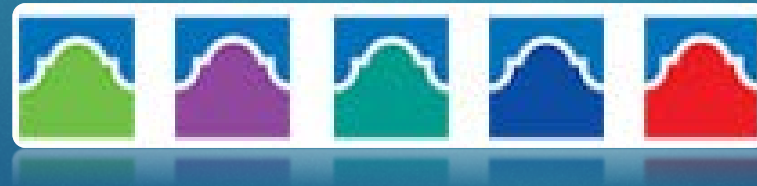
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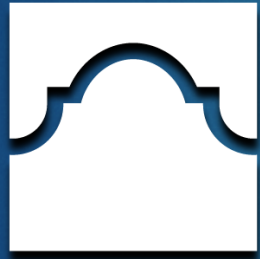
What does concealed mean?



The Campus Carry Law Alamo Colleges District



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As of August 1, 2017, Texas law allows individuals with a license to carry (LTC) permit to carry concealed handguns on public community college campuses with some prohibited areas as designated by each college.

The purpose of this training is to ensure that Alamo Colleges District students are aware of the law, the colleges' rules governing licensed concealed campus carry, the responsibilities of handgun license holders, and the appropriate response to concerns about the public display of a handgun.

While buying your morning cup of coffee you witness a student with a gun. The student is not holding the gun in his hands, however, you can clearly see the gun. What should you do?

This course will help you make decisions regarding what to do if you see a handgun on campus.



What is Campus Carry?

Texas Government Code 411.2031– commonly known as "Campus Carry" – applies to community colleges beginning Aug. 1, 2017 and allows license holders to carry concealed handguns in most areas on campus.

For the purposes of this training we will refer to Texas Government Code 411.2031 as the "Licensed Concealed Campus Carry" law.

What is a LTC holder?

A Texas license to carry (LTC) holder is a legal resident who applies for and is granted a license to carry concealed handguns for self protection. In Texas, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Must be 21 or older
- No serious criminal or mental issues
- Must complete official LTC training

For additional eligibility/ineligibility factors, please visit the [Texas Department of Public Safety](https://www.txdps.state.tx.us/) website at <https://www.txdps.state.tx.us/>.

**How must LTC holders carry their
concealed handgun at Alamo?**

LTC holders wishing to carry their handguns on campus must comply with the provisions of Alamo Colleges District Procedures [G.1.4.5](#) designating certain handgun-prohibited areas, which are presented in subsequent slides.

Please refer to:

<http://www.alamo.edu/district/policies/>

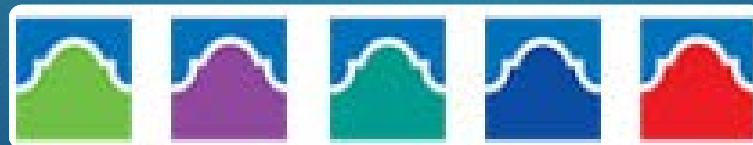
<http://alamo.edu/uploadedFiles/District/Employees/Departments/Ethics/pdf/policies/G.1.4.5-Procedure.pdf>

Is there a difference between Campus Carry and Open Carry?

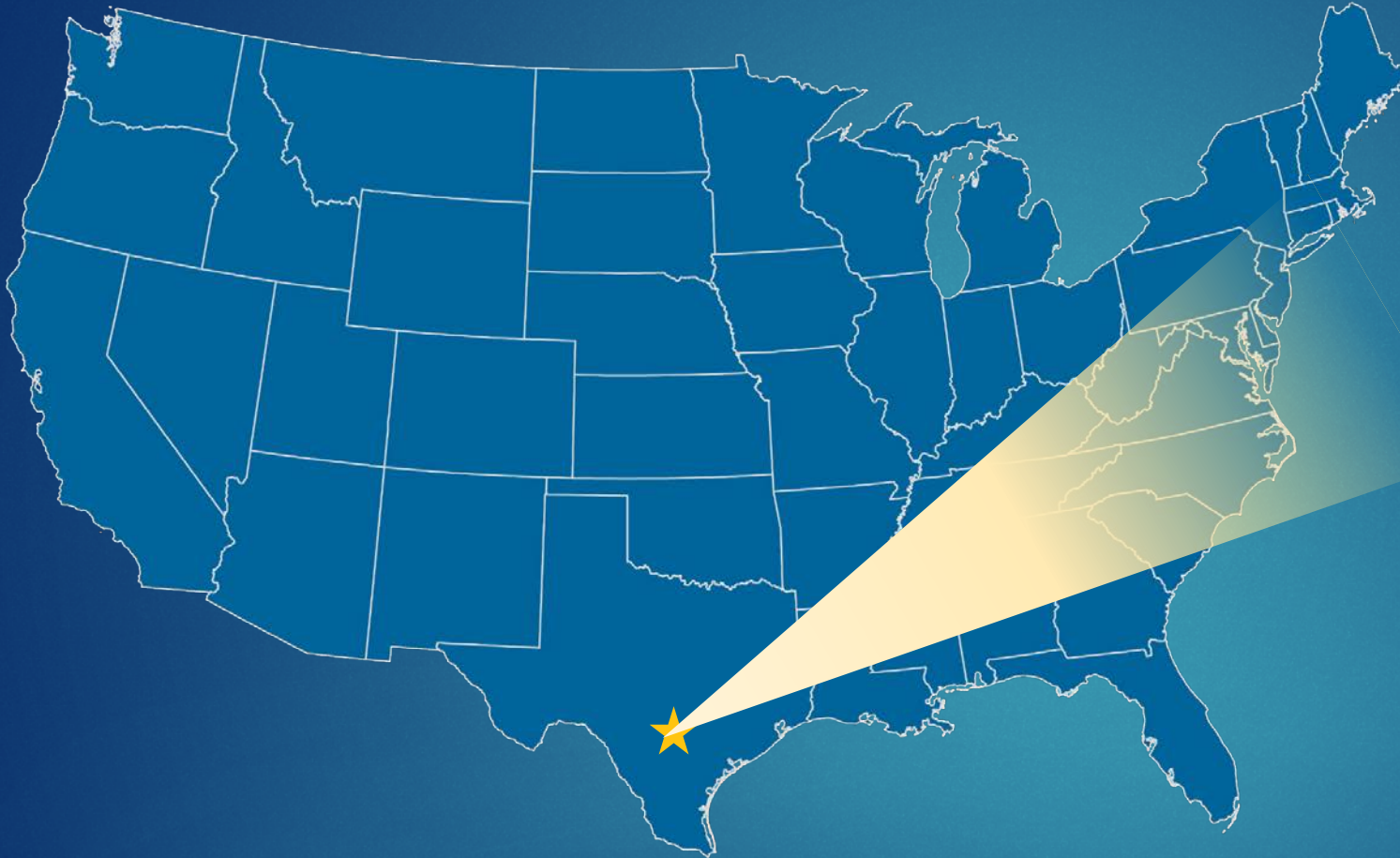
Yes. The Licensed Concealed Campus Carry law allows LTC holders to carry concealed handguns in permitted areas on campus. The handguns must remain concealed.

Texas House Bill 910-known as 'open carry'-became law on Jan. 1, 2016 and made it legal for LTC holders to carry visible handguns in the state of Texas. However, **open carry does not apply at public colleges and universities, including Alamo Colleges District**, so even though both laws are in effect, civilians, whether or not license holders, **will not be allowed to visibly carry handguns** on any Alamo Colleges District property.

Campus Carry Law Impact on Alamo Colleges District



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2014 US Statistic

In the United States, all 50 states allow citizens to carry concealed weapons if they meet certain state requirements.

Nine states allow carrying of a concealed weapon on a college campus. *This includes the state of Texas.*

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2014 US Statistic

4.42% of Texas population over the age of 21 are LTC holders.

Who does this affect at Alamo?

The Licensed Concealed Campus Carry Law and Alamo Colleges District rules govern the rights of all civilian license holders to carry handguns concealed at Alamo Colleges District premises.

Licensed peace officers enjoy broader rights to carry firearms:

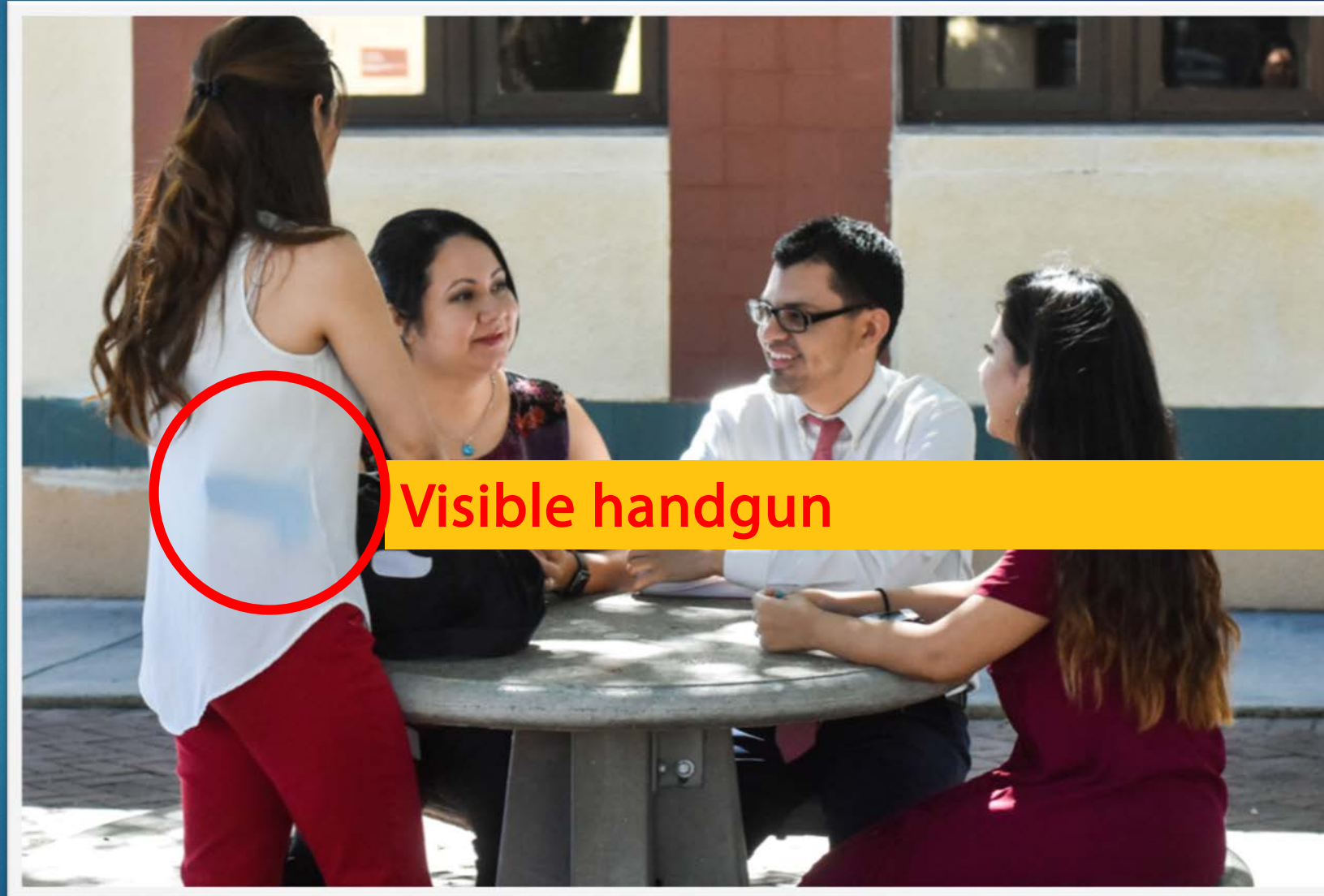
- Alamo Colleges District Police Department (ACPD)
- other commissioned police officers as defined in section 2.12 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure
- federal law enforcement officers



What does carried concealed mean?

Carried on or about
the license holder.

Not partially or wholly
visible to another
person.



Where are guns not allowed?

PROHIBITED AREAS AND NOTIFICATION

Specific areas, buildings, rooms and situations where LTC holders are prohibited from carrying handguns, even if concealed, are termed "**Prohibited Areas.**"



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PROHIBITED AREAS AND NOTIFICATION

Texas Penal Code 30.06 states:

“A license holder commits an offense if the license holder:

- carries a concealed handgun...on property of another without effective consent; and received notice that entry on the property by a license holder with a concealed handgun was forbidden.”
- This offense is a Class C misdemeanor.



Where are guns not allowed?

PROHIBITED AREAS AND NOTIFICATION

Texas Penal Code 30.06 states:

- Prohibited areas established by college rules and some, but not all, areas prohibited by statute, will be designated by a conspicuous "30.06 sign" (or occasionally, by personal, advance written notice of a meeting).



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PROHIBITED AREAS AND NOTIFICATION

Texas Penal Code 46.035(a-3) states:

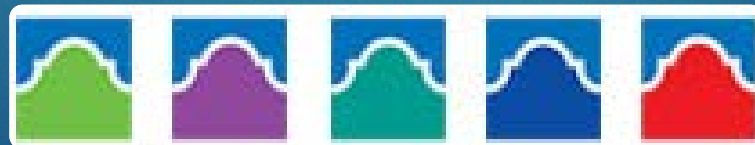
When the effective notice is given, a license holder commits an offense if the license holder:

- intentionally carries a concealed handgun on the campus of an institution of higher education on which the carrying of a concealed handgun is prohibited by rules, regulations, or other provisions established under Section 411.2031(d-1), Government Code,
- This offense is Class A misdemeanor.



Prohibited Areas

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General rules establishing Prohibited Areas (Procedure G.1.4.5):

STATUTORY PROHIBITIONS

- **Open Meetings:** Prohibited per TX PENAL 46.035(c), limited to signed Board meetings
- **Polling Locations:** Prohibited per TX PENAL 46.03(a)(2)
- **Child Care:** Prohibited per 40 TAC 746.3707 (building only)
- **ACPD:** May disarm a license holder when in nonpublic, secure portion of law enforcement facility per TX GOV 411.207(b); Alamo rules prohibit guns in all Police Department Sites

MINORS CONGREGATE

- **ECHS:** Prohibited in dedicated Early College High School facilities only
- **Classrooms:** Prohibited in classrooms used exclusively by minors
- **Scobee Planetarium:** Prohibited, high number of visitors under 18 years of age
- **Summer Camp:** Prohibited in certain buildings during summer camp where practical

For a complete and updated listing of specific Prohibited Areas on the campuses, please visit www.Alamo.edu/district/campuscarry/.

General rules establishing Prohibited Areas (Procedure G.1.4.5):

SCIENCE LABS & AREAS WHERE CHEMICALS ARE PRESENT

- **Chemicals and Compressed Gasses:** Firearms are prohibited in all chemical and biological lab storage areas and preparation areas. Non-laboratory-associated storage and instructional areas may also be considered for a firearms prohibition.

LOCKERS / ATHLETICS

- **Testing Areas:** Prohibited from those testing areas which require that personal effects be removed and placed in lockers
- **Athletic Facilities:** Prohibited to both participants and spectators
- **No Gun Lockers** will be provided and guns storage is prohibited in College District lockers. License holders must store in locked vehicles if carrying and intending to enter prohibited areas

For a complete and updated listing of specific Prohibited Areas on the campuses. please visit

www.alamo.edu/district/campuscarry/.

General rules establishing Prohibited Areas (Procedure G.1.4.5):

MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING

- Prohibited area

DISCIPLINE / SANCTIONS MEETINGS, GRIEVANCE / COMPLAINT / MEDIATION SESSIONS and APPEAL HEARINGS

- Prohibited meetings and hearings:
 - student sanctions
 - financial aid appeals
 - academic standing appeals
 - all types of student complaint hearings, such as: grievance hearings, mediation sessions and related appeal hearings.

For a complete and updated listing of specific Prohibited Areas on the campuses. please visit www.alamo.edu/district/campuscarry/.

General rules establishing Prohibited Areas (Procedure G.1.4.5):

PARTIAL

- Temporary and Campus-Specific Prohibition: College Presidents may prohibit areas through a pre-application process

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- University Interscholastic Non-Athletic Events hosted on Alamo Colleges District property

For a complete and updated listing of specific per-campus Prohibited Areas applying these rules, please visit www.alamo.edu/campuscarry.

FORMAL HEARINGS/APPEAL ROOMS

Rooms where any student sanction or appeal meetings, as well as all types of student and complaint hearings, are held are Prohibited Areas.

- Most venues will have permanently posted signs.
- Temporary signs may be posted at entrances to rooms which are not ordinarily used for these purposes.
- A written notification to all persons attending the proceeding that handguns will be prohibited at the meeting location is strongly recommended.



NOTIFICATION & SIGNAGE

Temporary signage may be posted:

- special events
- summer camps, where children (K-12) congregate,

Signs must be posted prior to, or at the start of, the event and must be clearly visible at the location entry.



Scenarios

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QUESTION:

A LTC holder has a responsibility to keep his or her handgun concealed.

In this instance is the LTC holder violating the terms of their permit if someone gets a glimpse of a person's handgun?



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No, this is not a violation. In this example the person's coat opens in the act of opening the cabinet. The gun can be seen, but the act was not intentional.

A violation would be if a person knowingly and intentionally displays the handgun in plain view of another person.

Contact the Alamo Colleges District Police Department (ACPD) if you are concerned or if you believe it may be a violation of the law.



Question

Can a student, who is a LTC holder, be excluded from the classroom on the grounds that the student's presence and their concealed handgun are causing a class disruption?



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No. The mere act of carrying a handgun (with a LTC as authorized by law) is not a disruption of class activity.

LTC holders should not be excluded from class under any assumption their presence alone is a “disruption.” Another person’s reaction to someone carrying a handgun in compliance with the Licensed Concealed Campus Carry Law is not grounds to eject the license-holder from the classroom.

Contact the Alamo Colleges District Police Department (ACPD) if you are concerned or if you believe there may be a violation of the law.

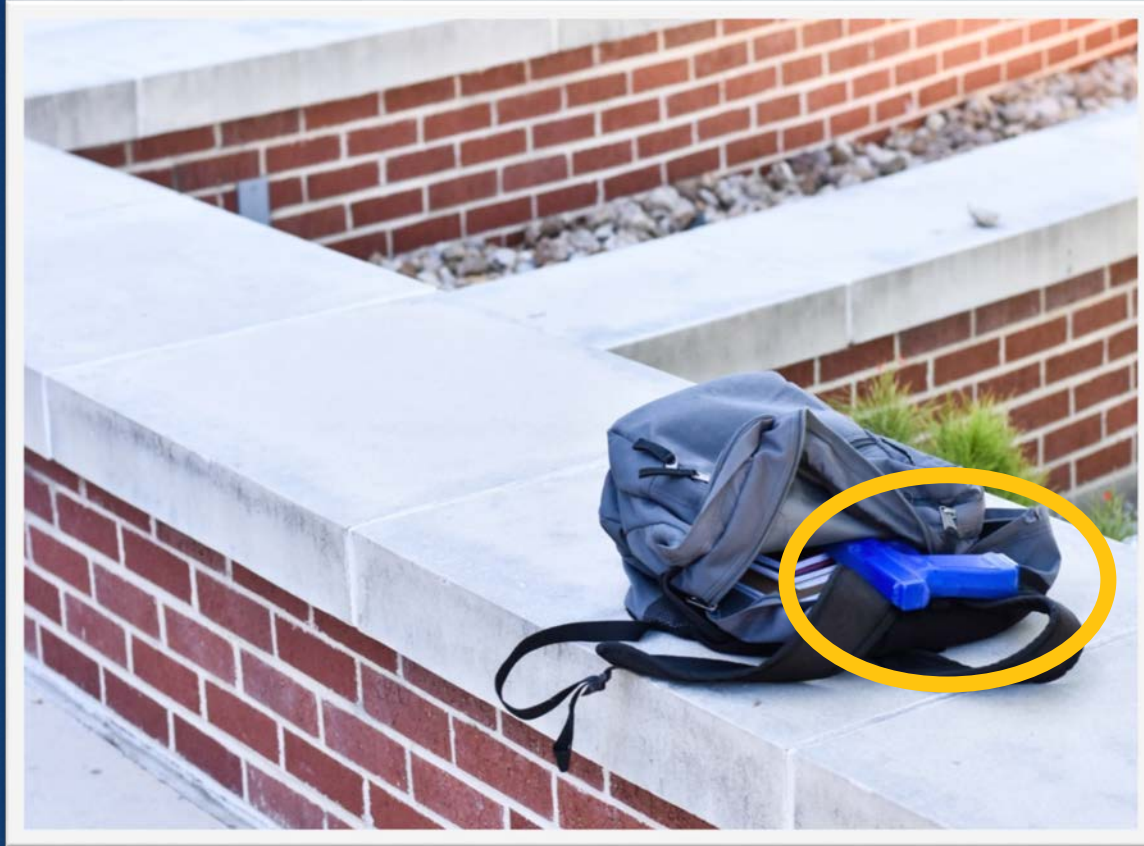
Question

You are in a Prohibited Area and you see a person with a gun. What should you do?



This is a violation of the law because the handgun is in prohibited area. Contact the Alamo Colleges District Police Department immediately.





Question

What should I do if I find
a gun unattended?

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Call the Alamo Colleges District Police Department.

Do not touch the gun.

Describe the gun and its location to the dispatcher.

Stay with the gun until the police arrive if it is safe to do so.

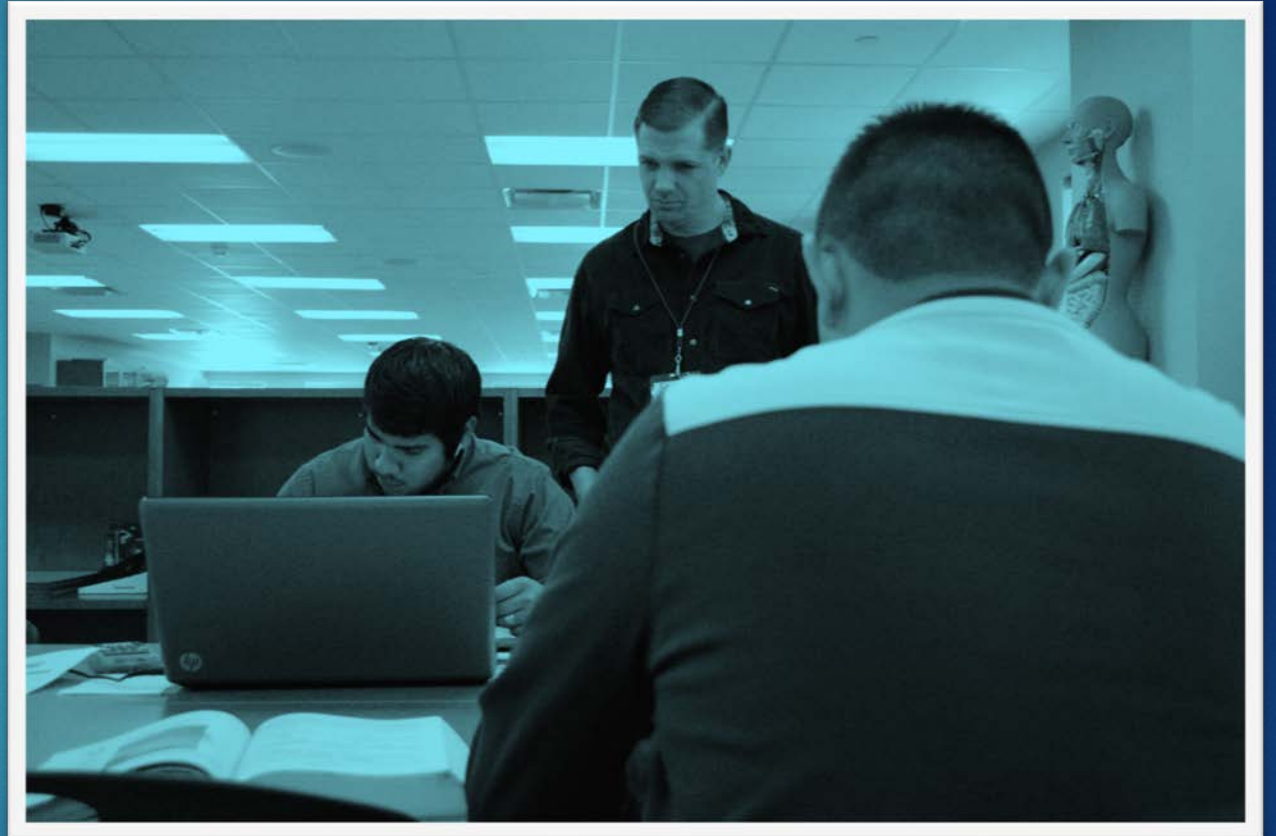
Question

During a discussion in your class a heated debate occurs. Nothing inappropriate has occurred, however, tension is high due to the subject being discussed. You believe someone in class *may* have a concealed handgun. What should you do?



No laws, rules, or policies have been violated, therefore, take no action.

Contact the Alamo Colleges District Police Department if you have a safety concern.



Question

When concealing a handgun, can it be in a backpack or purse, or does it need to be directly on a person's body?



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Either option is allowed. The handgun can be in a purse or backpack or on the person's body.

The handgun may not be partially or wholly visible to another person and must not be left unattended or unsecured.

The only authorized secured storage on campus is in a locked personal vehicle.

Contact the Alamo Colleges District Police Department if you are concerned or if you believe there may be a violation of the law.

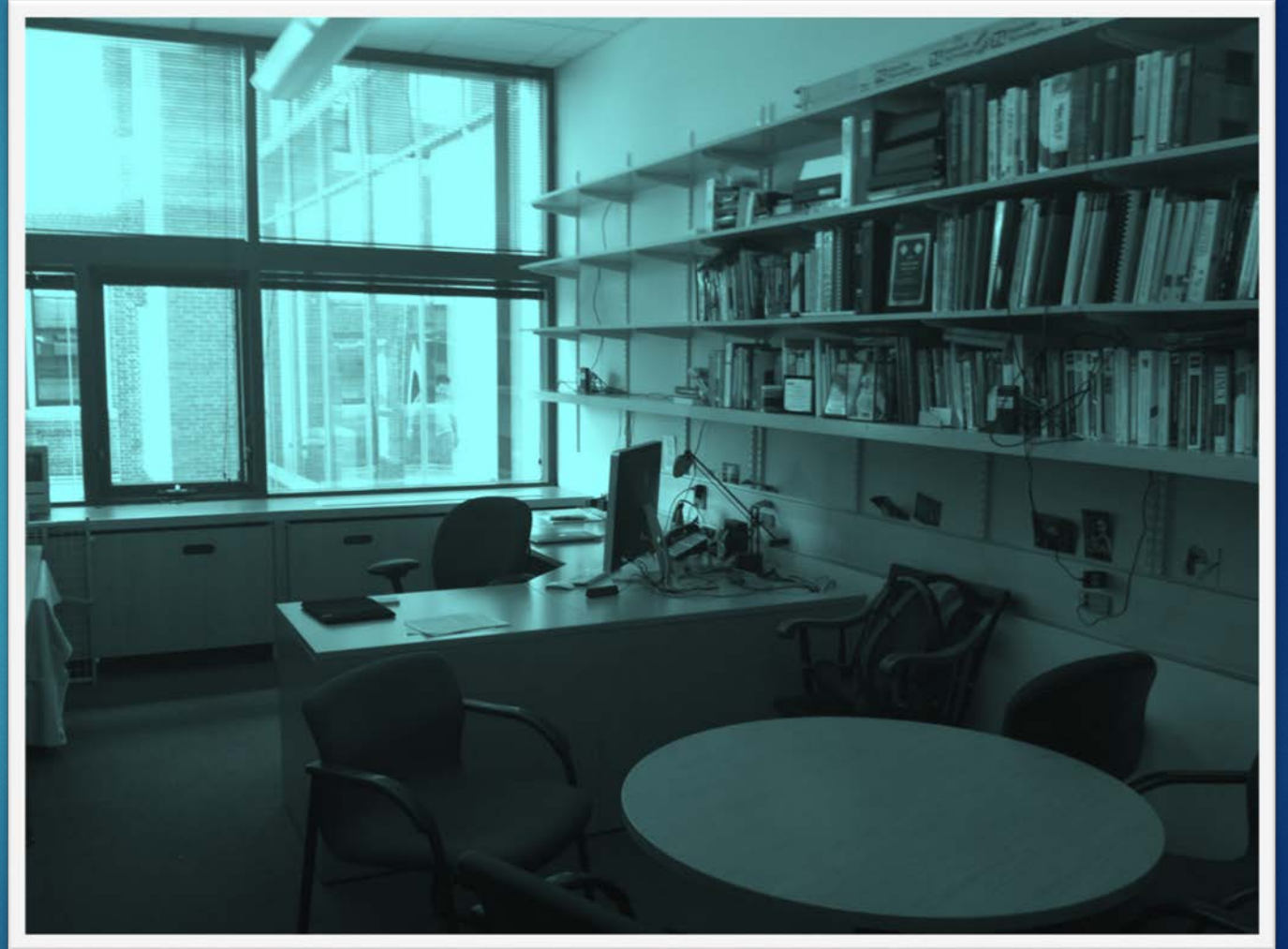
Question

My professor has a private office. Can he/she store or secure a handgun in the office?



No. Handguns must be carried on or about your person and Alamo Colleges District does not provide storage for handguns.

Call the Alamo Colleges District Police Department if you have a safety concern.





Question

You're rushing to class and don't have time to go your car to leave your gun. Can you take the gun into the chemistry lab?



No.

Call the Alamo
Colleges Police
Department
(ACPD) if you have
a safety concern.

Question

You are meeting with an administrator concerning a Code of Conduct disciplinary action. Is there anything related to licensed concealed campus carry that the college needs to do for the meeting?

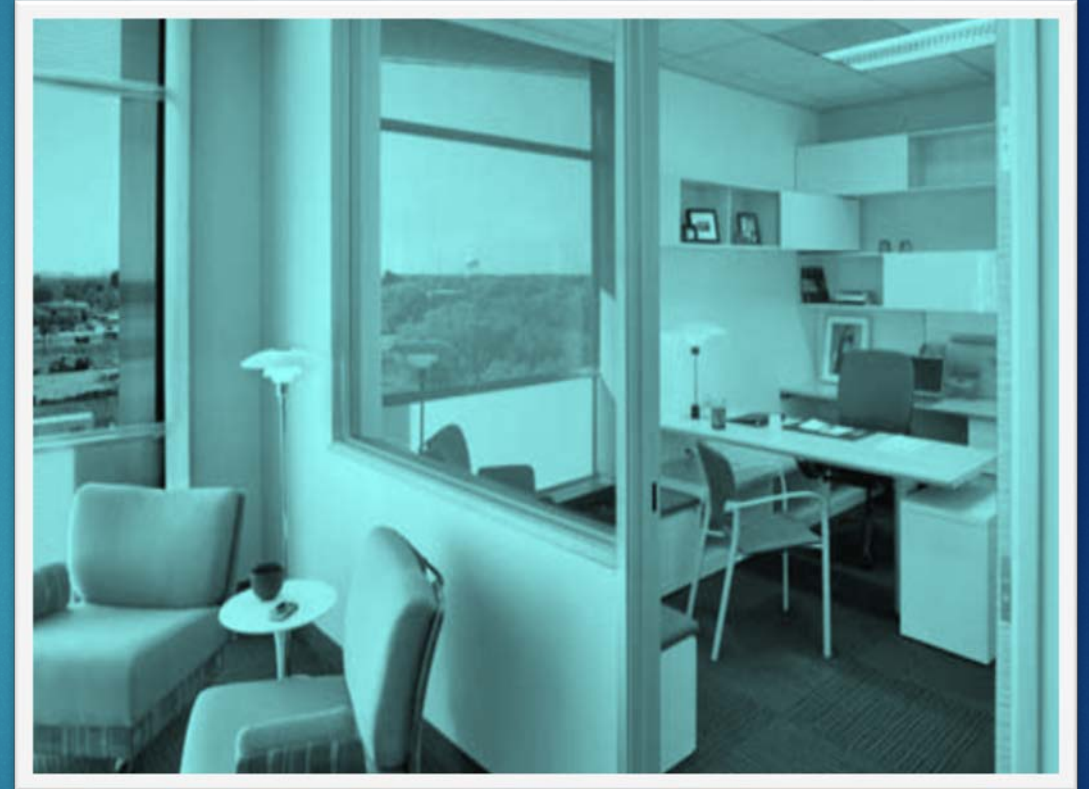


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Prior to the meeting, the Alamo Colleges District should notify students and employees in writing that handguns are prohibited at the meeting location.

If possible, the meeting will be scheduled at a location where licensed concealed campus carry is already signed as a Prohibited Area due to its regular use for disciplinary purposes. If in another area, a sign will be placed at the door a half-hour before the hearing and removed as soon as the hearing concludes.

Call the Alamo Colleges Police Department (ACPD) if you have a safety concerns.



Question

What about police officers? Do they need to conceal their handguns?



No. Uniformed police officers may carry handguns fully exposed as authorized by their agency. However, off-duty police officers, not in uniform, must carry handguns in a concealed manner.

Contact the Alamo Colleges District Police Department if you are concerned or believe there may be a violation of the law.



Response Actions & Tips

- **Be Prepared**
 - Stay informed – Visit our Licensed Concealed Campus Carry website for **FAQ's** : <http://www.alamo.edu/campuscarry/>
 - Review the relevant procedures: <http://www.alamo.edu/district/policies/>.
 - Be observant and aware of your surroundings
- **Be aware of Prohibited Areas.** Check the website for a full list.
- **Call Police (210) 485-0911** if you observe suspicious or threatening behavior you think might involve a firearm.
- **Do not confront the person!** If someone exposes a handgun: Call the Alamo Colleges Police Department.

If you have any concerns or questions:

Please contact the Alamo Colleges District
Police Department:

By phone: 210-485-0099 (non emergency)

For emergency call : 210 - 485-0911