# STOCKTON UNIVERSITY

### **POLICY**



#### **Prohibition of Weapons on Campus**

Policy Administrator: Director, Campus Public Safety Authority: N.J.S.A. § 2C:39-1, N.J.S.A. § 2C:39-5(e)

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Index Cross-References: Policy I-55 Campus Conduct Code

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#### I. POLICY:

- A. All federal and state statutes and local ordinances regarding the unlawful possession and/or use of weapons and firearms, including imitation, both legal and illegal, apply on the campus and/or properties of Stockton University.
- B. All students, faculty, staff, guests, visitors, and contractors are strictly prohibited from possessing weapons, including firearms and explosives as defined within N.J.S.A. 2C:39-1, anywhere on University campuses or property, with limited exceptions. The prohibition applies regardless of whether any federal or state license has been issued to the possessor. Anyone possessing, manufacturing, transferring, selling or using a weapon, firearm, or explosive, other than those subject to specific exception as set forth below may be subject to seizure, and criminal and/or administrative charges.
- C. Exceptions include sworn and commissioned law enforcement officers or authorized military personnel, in performance of their official duties; persons authorized by their employer (such as employees of armored car services that collect or transport cash, checks or other valuables), and duly licensed and legally permitted under the laws of the jurisdiction in which the University property is located to possess weapons in performance of their employment duties; or individuals engaged in any activity where a particular weapon is required as part of the activity, for example, a starter gun at a track meet, a replica weapon used for training, or a non-functioning weapon used in a theatrical production.
- D. Persons charged with the unlawful possession and/or use of a weapon and/or firearm on the campus and/or properties of the University will be held accountable through the criminal justice system and the University's Administrative Code of Conduct as applicable.
- E. All other persons desiring to bring lawfully-owned weapons, firearms, and or imitations on to campus for educational or theatrical purposes must first obtain prior written authorization from the President or designee and the Director of Public Safety.

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