Weapons on Campus

All weapons are prohibited on or at any Bucknell University buildings, grounds or Bucknell sponsored events, whether or not a federal or state license to possess the same has been issued to the possessor; except for sworn police officers or federal law enforcement officials. It shall be a violation of University policy for any student, faculty member, employee or visitor to have in his or her possession any weapon or to introduce any weapon into the University community without the express prior written permission of the Chief of Public Safety.

Additionally, possession of any air gun (including pellet and BB guns that utilize air, CO2 or spring pressure to propel a projectile), most knives that are capable of inflicting death by stabbing and all straight razors are also prohibited. Possession of any knife with a rigid blade length of over four inches, or any dirk, dagger, ice pick or spring-loaded or assisted opening blade (switchblade) is also prohibited from campus.

Off-duty sworn law enforcement officers and those with concealed carry permits are not authorized to carry their weapons on campus unless they have received written permission for the Chief of Public Safety. If any person has any of the above listed weapons in either the academic area or a student housing facility, he or she must immediately remove them from the campus.

For the purpose of this policy, the following definitions shall apply:

**PROJECTILE IMPELLING DEVICE AND OFFENSIVE WEAPONS** (not including hand or long-guns or explosives). Possession, use, or sale of any projectile impelling device, offensive weapon, ammunition, real or personal, owned, leased, or controlled by the University (except as otherwise specifically noted herein), is prohibited. Nothing herein shall prohibit the use of target bows and arrows for special programs that receive prior approval of the University.

**Definitions:**

a. **Projectile impelling device**: air gun, spring gun, bow, cross bow, slingshot, blow gun, paintball gun or any implement capable of impelling a projectile of any kind with a force that can reasonably be expected to cause bodily harm or damage to property.

b. **Offensive weapon**: implement readily capable of lethal use, including any sword, knife, razor, or other cutting or stabbing implement with a blade over four inches in length, switchblade or gravity knife, or any club or stun-gun.

c. **Ammunition**: arrow or projectile of any kind.

NOTE: If projectile impelling devices or offensive weapons are aimed or directed at individuals and cause physical harm, the level of the infraction moves from Category II to Category I.

Students found in possession of weapons on campus or in any University building, will be found in violation of the student conduct code and will be disciplined up to expulsion from the University.