

# Campus Fire Safety

The following are a few good questions to ask before moving on campus or signing a lease:

- Are working smoke alarms installed (in every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, on every home level, and interconnected so all alarms will sound if any single alarm detects smoke)?
- Are there at least two ways to exit your bedroom and your building?
- Is a sprinkler system installed and maintained?

According to The Center for Campus Fire Safety—Fire Fatality Data:

From January 2000 to present: **79 fatal fires** have been documented that occurred on a college campus, in Greek housing or in off-campus housing, within 3 miles of the campus—**claiming a total of 114 victims.**

- Sixty-six fires have occurred in **off-campus housing** claiming 95 victims.
- Seven fires have occurred in **on-campus buildings or residence halls** claiming nine victims.
- Six fires have occurred in **Greek housing** claiming ten victims.



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