



Campus Safety Questions Information and FAQ's

There are a series of questions on UNCW's application for admission related to safety. These six questions are known as the Campus Safety Questions. Every applicant must answer these six questions truthfully. A "yes" answer to one or more of the questions will not necessarily preclude your being admitted. However, your failure to provide complete, accurate, and truthful information will be grounds to deny or withdraw your admission, or to dismiss you after enrollment.

(For the purpose of the six questions, "crime" or "criminal charge" refers to any crime other than a traffic related misdemeanor or infraction. You must, however, include alcohol or drug offenses whether or not they are traffic related.)

If you answered "yes" to any of the six questions, please explain the circumstances. Be certain to provide the following:

- 1) date(s) of charges
- 2) details of the situation
- 3) the outcome, consequences and/or the penalties imposed

You must promptly notify the Admissions Office in writing of any criminal charge, any disposition of a criminal charge, or any school, college, or university disciplinary action against you, or any type of military discharge other than an honorable discharge that occurs at any time after you submit an application. Your failure to do so will be grounds to deny or withdraw your admission, or to dismiss you after enrollment.

-If I answer "yes" will I have to complete a criminal background check?

Background checks are requested based on an initial review by the Associate Provost for Enrollment Management. If you are asked to complete a criminal background check you will receive a letter outlining the required steps. Any background check is done at the student's expense.

-Should I answer "yes" to the questions if my charges have been dismissed?

We advise answering "yes" and indicating that they have been dismissed. If we request a background check from you it will prove that the charges were dismissed.

-What happens after I complete a criminal background check?

The background check will come to our office via email. The student will also receive an email notifying he or she that it has been delivered to UNCW. The Campus Safety Committee meets to review the results. Each applicant is reviewed separately by the committee as circumstances vary from case to case. The committee decides whether or not the applicant is cleared to proceed in the admission process or denied based on safety concerns. If cleared, the applicant is then reviewed academically and an admission decision is rendered. If referred to the Dean of Students Office, the student will be asked for an interview. If denied, a student must wait one calendar year before reapplying.