College campuses, though typically safe, do play host to every type of violent crime found in the rest of society, from assault to rape to murder. Recent high-profile shootings and armed abductions on college campuses clearly demonstrate that "gun free zones" serve to disarm only those law-abiding critzens who might otherwise be able to protect themselves.

SOCC supports the legalization of concealed carry by licensed individuals on college campuses. SOCC has no official positions on open carry, unlicensed concealed carry, or concealed carry on the campuses of primary or

secondary schools.

Students for Concealed Carry on Campus is not affiliated with the NRA, a political party, or any other organization.



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Declaring a college campus a "gun free zone" may make some people feel safer, but as the April 16, 2007, massacre at Virginia Tech and the February 14, 2008, massacre at Northern Illinois University illustrated, feeling safe is not the same as being safe. Denying licensed individuals the means to defend themselves on college campuses turns institutions of higher learning into supermarkets for would-be rapists and mass murderers.

Current state laws and school policies prohibit licensed, law-abiding citizens from carrying concealed handguns onto college campuses, while doing nothing to disarm individuals not concerned with following the rules. These laws and policies hand armed madmen, like the Virginia Tech and NIU killers, virtual cornucopias of defenseless victims. In the event of a school shooting, students and faculty are left with no recourse but to hide under their desks, hoping to survive until enough police arrive to formulate a plan and storm the building.

Students for Concealed Carry on Campus hopes that increased awareness of the discrepancy between the rulex on college campuses and the rules outside of college campuses will motivate citizens to push state legislators and campus administrators to amend existing laws and policies so that concealed handgun license/concealed carry weapons permit holders can legally carry their firearms on college campuses, the same way they currently do at almost all other unsecured (no metal detectors or x-ray machines) locations.



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The Facts

 47 states currently issue Concealed Carry Weapons permits (CCWs) or Concealed Handgun Licenses (CHLs).

*Vermont neither offers nor requires a license to carry a handgon (openly or concealed). Illinois and Wisconsin do not have provisions for legal concealed carry.

 Criminals are more afraid of confronting a potential victim with a gun than they are of the police.

 3/5 of convicted felons say they would not "mess around" with a person they suspected might have a gun.

 CCW/CHL holders are statistically LESS violent than the rest of the population. They are arrested for violent crimes at a rate five times lower than non-license holders (even lower than police officers in many states).

 Despite the predictions of those who opposed the passage of state Concealed Carry laws, when such laws were first proposed two decades ago, the presence of concealed handguns has not created an epidemic of everyday arguments turning into shootings.

Concealed Carry Laws reduce mass public shootings.

Reducing the number of guns does NOT reduce violent crime.

- The United States Supreme Court has ruled that police have NO duty to protect the lives of citizens, yet concealed handgun license holders must leave their greatest means of defenses behind when they step onto college campuses.

 Concealed handgun license holders carry for defense of life only. They do not act like the police and actively seek out a shooter.

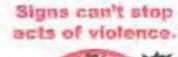
 Nearly every "shootout" between two armed individuals is over in less than 10 seconds.
 Mass shootings can exceed 30 minutes.

 Most victims of mass shootings are shot at pointblank range, by assailants who move slowly and methodically from victim to victim. It requires neither superhuman reflexes nor deadeye accuracy to defend oneself against such an attack.



SCCC demands to know why individuals who
are deemed by state and federal
authorities to be competent and trustworthy
enough to carry concealed handguns
elsewhere are denied this right on college
campuses. For more information on the issue of
concealed carry on campus and why it would
NOT lead to more violence on
college campuses or detract from the
educational process, please visit
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SCCC What is it?

Students for Concealed Carry on Campus

is a national non-partisan, grassroots organization with nearly 40,000 members. Our goal is to draw attention to the fact that holders of concealed handgun licenses/concealed carry weapons permits are forced by state laws and school policies to disarm before entering most college campuses, despite being legally permitted to carry concealed handguns virtually everywhere else—office buildings, movie theaters, grocery stores, shopping malls, banks, etc.

We are supported by many lawmakers and law enforcement officers nationwide, as well as many other civil liberties advocacy groups.

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