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OVERVIEW OF THE HEOA FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

American University is required to comply with the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) provisions regarding fire safety. The HEOA of 2008 (Pub. L. 110-315), signed into law on August 14, 2008, amends the Higher Education Act of 1965. The act is codified within 20 USC § 1092 (i) and published as 34 CFR 668.49, Institutional Fire Safety Policies and Fire Statistics.

For more information about the act, please see www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/PLAW-110publ315/pdf/PLAW-110publ315.pdf

In accordance with the HEOA fire safety provisions, this report provides the fire safety provisions and fire statistics for the calendar years 2014-2016.

The HEOA is enforced by the United States Department of Education; institutions that fail to comply with the Act are subject to fines up to \$54,789 per violation (34 CFR § 668.84). The act has three fire safety policy and fire statistics requirements, which mandate the following for Title IV institutions:

- Maintain a fire log
- Report fire statistics to the Secretary of Education
- Publish an annual fire safety report

All three provisions pertain only to fire statistics, record keeping, and fire safety procedures for on-campus student housing facilities. For purposes of HEOA fire safety provisions, an on-campus student housing facility is defined as “any student housing facility that is owned or controlled by the institution, or is located on property that is owned or controlled by the institution, and is within the reasonably contiguous geographic area that makes up the campus.” The fire log must include the date the fire was reported and the date, time, general location, and nature of all fires in on-

campus student housing facilities. All fire data must be recorded in the log within two business days of the fire’s occurrence. AU’s HEOA-compliant fire log is maintained by the American University Department of Public Safety (AU DPS). A paper copy of the log is available, upon request, at the AUDPS offices in the Don Meyers Technology Innovation Building as well as online at www.american.edu/finance/publicsafety. On-campus student housing facilities and all other campus buildings are also subject to building fire safety code as promulgated by the District of Columbia Fire and Emergency Medical Services (DCFEMS).

The University’s Annual Fire Safety Report is produced by the American University Office of Risk, Safety and Transportation Programs (RSTP) in conjunction with the AU DPS.

NOTICE, AVAILABILITY, AND LOCATION OF THE ANNUAL FIRE SAFETY REPORT

The AU DPS in collaboration with the Office of Risk, Safety and Transportation Programs (RSTP) publishes the Annual Fire Safety Report and posts a copy on American University’s website by October 1 of each year. The HEOA requires that all enrolled students and current employees receive either the Annual Fire Safety Report in its entirety or receive notice of the report’s availability and location. We notify all students, staff, and faculty of the website via email and informational postings within the campus. This report is also available for download on the AU DPS website at:

www.american.edu/finance/publicsafety/asr.cfm

The HEOA requires that the Annual Fire Safety Report is made available to prospective students and employees. All current or prospective faculty, staff, and students can obtain a paper copy by calling 202-885-2537, visiting AU DPS on

campus, emailing clerycompliance@american.edu, or writing to:

ANNUAL FIRE SAFETY REPORT REQUEST

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American University must also comply with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act). In accordance with the Clery Act, each year AU prepares the Annual Security Report. This report contains statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on campus; in certain off-campus buildings; on property owned or controlled by American University; and on public property within, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from, the campus. This report contains institutional policies regarding campus security, such as sexual assault and other matters. Additionally, this report provides details about safety programs and resources provided to the AU community. You may access the report at www.american.edu/finance/publicsafety/asr.cfm. A paper copy is also available upon request by calling AU DPS at (202) 885-2537 or emailing clerycompliance@american.edu.

RESIDENCE HALL FIRE SAFETY SYSTEMS

In calendar year 2016, American University owned and operated 10 residence halls on main campus. Three additional residence halls were opened for occupancy in 2017. All residence halls link to the automated smoke detection and fire alarm system. Upon activation, the automated system communicates to AU DPS through a monitor that indicates the building, specific area in the building, and specific device that has been activated. The automated system monitors the residence halls for fire and smoke 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. Each hall is equipped with a full sprinkler system. Each resident's room is equipped with a centrally located smoke detector. Smoke detectors are battery operated, with preventative maintenance scheduled semiannually. Kitchen areas in the residence halls are equipped with heat detectors. Table 1 presents the fire safety systems for each residence hall.

Building-wide fire alarm systems consist of smoke detectors, pull stations, horns or bells, and strobes. Activation of a building-wide system produces both audible and visual signals to indicate fire alarms. Individual smoke detectors in the residence rooms produce audible signals localized to the room.

All building fire alarm systems are tested annually. All sprinkler systems are tested quarterly, in addition to an annual inspection performed by American University's Facilities Management.



Table 1. Residence Hall Fire Safety Systems

Residential Facility	Building-Wide Smoke Detection	Building-Wide Fire Alarm Monitoring System	Full Sprinkler System	Resident Room Smoke Detectors	Fire Extinguishers	Evacuation Plans and Placards
Anderson Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Berkshire Apartments ¹ (4201 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cassell Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Centennial Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Clark Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Congressional Hall (3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016) (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Constitution Hall (3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016) (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Federal Hall (3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016) (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hughes Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Leonard Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Letts Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
McDowell Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nebraska Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Roper Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

¹ As of June 2016, the apartments directly controlled by the American University and the public areas (lobbies, hallways, elevators) located at the Berkshire Apartments are now considered an on-campus residential facility. This revision was due to revised guidance provided by the Department of Education in their newly revised Handbook for Campus Safety and Security Reporting 2016 Edition.



MANDATORY, SUPERVISED FIRE DRILLS

Mandatory, supervised fire drills are conducted at least one time during both the spring and fall

semesters for all residence halls. The 2016 drill schedule for the residence halls is presented in tables 2 and 3. The fire drill tests the fire alarm and safety systems at all levels, including alarm transmission, AU DPS response, and residence hall evacuation. Upon activation of the fire alarm, students are expected to evacuate and gather at a predetermined location. Staff members from the Housing and Residence Life conduct a review of fire safety for the student body, while the AU DPS or Facilities Management personnel conduct a sweep of the hall.

The American University Department of Public Safety officer(s) conducting the drill records details of each fire drill in a Residence Hall Fire Drill Assessment Report. Assessment reports are archived in the Risk, Safety, and Transportation Programs office at 3501 Nebraska Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20016.

Table 2: Spring 2016 Fire Drills

Residential Facility ²	Date	Total Time (Minutes)	Participants
Anderson Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	3/24/2016	27	120
Berkshire Apartments ³ (4201 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Not conducted		
Cassell Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	1/21/2016	17	129
Centennial Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	3/24/2016	27	129
Clark Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	3/21/2016	7	20
Congressional Hall (3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016) (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	N/A (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	N/A (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	N/A (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)
Hughes Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	3/21/2016	20	105
Leonard Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	1/21/2016	19	250
Letts Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	3/24/2016	27	160
McDowell Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	1/21/2016	15	48
Nebraska Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	1/21/2016	14	69
Roper Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	3/21/2016	15	23

² Residence hall addresses are listed on page 15.

³ As of June 2016, the apartments directly controlled by the American University and the public areas (lobbies, hallways, elevators) located at the Berkshire Apartments are now considered an on-campus residential facility. This revision was due to revised guidance provided by the Department of Education in their newly revised Handbook for Campus Safety and Security Reporting 2016 Edition.

Table 3: Fall 2016 Fire Drills

Residential Facility ⁴	Date	Total Time (Minutes)	Participants
Anderson Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	9/20/2016	26	205
Berkshire Apartments ⁵ (4201 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	Not conducted		
Cassell Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	9/27/2016	15	135
Centennial Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	9/20/2016	26	50
Clark Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	9/20/2016	8	9
Congressional Hall (3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016) (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	N/A (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	N/A (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	N/A (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)
Constitution Hall (3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016) (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	N/A (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	N/A (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	N/A (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)
Federal Hall (3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016) (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	N/A (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	N/A (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	N/A (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)
Hughes Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	9/27/2016	19	75
Leonard Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	9/27/2016	19	120
Letts Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	9/20/2016	26	170
McDowell Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	9/20/2016	16	120
Nebraska Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	9/20/2016	14	85
Roper Hall (4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016)	9/20/2016	12	24

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RESIDENCE HALL POLICIES ON FIRE PREVENTION

Fire Safety Prohibitions

Student responsibilities and prohibitions related to fire safety and prevention are detailed in the Student Conduct Code, published annually by the American University's Office of Campus Life. To obtain a copy of the code, please visit www.american.edu/policies/

American University students are prohibited from:

- Setting any fire within buildings or areas contiguous to the buildings
- Tampering with fire equipment
- Activating any fire alarm system under false pretenses or making fraudulent fire or emergency reports
- Disconnecting or tampering with any smoke detector device
- Running electrical wires beneath any rug or carpet
- Smoking outside of designated areas within University property, including without limitation, vehicles, buildings, parking lots, and garages (see www.american.edu/initiatives/tobaccofree/Tobacco-Free-AU.cfm)



Electronic Appliances, Smoking and Open Flames

Pursuant to the Student Conduct Code, students are expressly prohibited from having the following items in residence hall rooms, on carpeted areas, in hallways, or in other undesignated areas:

- Halogen lamps
- Appliances, including but not limited to, coffeemakers, popcorn poppers, microwave ovens, hot plates, or other electric water-heating devices
- Refrigerators drawing greater than a 7-amp current
- Any cooking device with an open flame or any open-flame devices, including candles, incense, and open burners
- Smoking in any residence hall

The combined wattage from all electrical devices in a resident's room must not exceed 850 watts.

PROCEDURES FOR STUDENT HOUSING EVACUATION (IN CASE OF A FIRE ALARM)

Fire evacuation procedures are available to the campus community on the Emergency Preparedness website:
www.american.edu/emergency/upload/evacuation-procedures.pdf.

All students, employees, and faculty are required to evacuate all university buildings immediately upon the sounding of a fire alarm. Once safely outside a building, they may call 911 and AU DPS. If circumstances warrant relocation, students and employees are informed of where to go at the time of the alarm. Students, employees, and faculty are further restricted from entering a building during or following a fire alarm until receiving permission from a Housing and Residence Life or AU DPS representative.

During fire drills, residence halls are swept by AU DPS Safety officers or Housing and Residence Life staff to assist disabled students, verify evacuation, and inspect for fire safety violations. In the event of an actual fire, residence halls would be swept for complete evacuation and assistance would be given to disabled students by the District of Columbia Fire and Emergency Medical Services (DCFEMS).

Students who choose to register with the Academic Support and Access Center and request accommodation for an impairment that may impact their ability to evacuate a building in an emergency are oriented to all procedures related to their safety in all university buildings, including residence halls and academic buildings, during an intake meeting with an academic counselor in the Academic Support and Access Center (ASAC). Information about the ASAC can be found at www.american.edu/ocl/asac/ or by calling 202-885-3360.

To ensure that students with disabilities receive information about safety related specific disability concerns, a staff member from ASAC discusses it with them during the intake meeting.

Housing and Residence staff provides information on emergency evacuation plans and designated areas of rescue in the residence hall during the opening floor meetings at the beginning of each semester.

The Office of Risk, Safety, and Transportation Programs has placed “Areas of Rescue Assistance” signs in highly trafficked areas of university buildings to ensure that students, faculty, staff and visitors with mobility impairments can be quickly located and evacuated from the building in the event of an emergency.

The residence halls are scheduled for semiannual fire evacuation drills in the spring and fall semesters. Evacuation drills are coordinated by the AU DPS and Housing and Residence Life.



POLICIES ON FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION AND TRAINING FOR STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES

Fire evacuation protocol and procedures training for residence hall directors and assistants is provided by the senior staff of Housing and Residence Life. Residence hall directors and assistants are also trained in evacuation procedures. In each housing facility, this training provides instruction on procedures to be followed in case of a fire and distribution of information on the university’s fire safety policies. Following fire drills, students are also advised on these procedures by Housing and Residence Life staff. Introduction to the fire systems in each housing facility can be provided by Facilities Management.

If a fire occurs, students are instructed to leave hazardous areas per the posted evacuation routes and to proceed to the predetermined muster location before calling (202) 885-3636 for help. They are to remain in that location so that Housing and Residence Life staff can document that they have left the building. Resident Assistants are instructed to pull the fire alarm when exiting the building if able to do so without risking their safety.

No training is provided to students or employees in fire-fighting suppression activity, as this is inherently dangerous. Each community member's only duty is to exit safely and quickly, shutting doors along their exit path to contain the spread of flames and smoke; and activating the fire alarm. At no time should the closing of the doors or activation of the alarm delay exit from the building.

CONTACT NUMBER FOR REPORTING FIRES

American University faculty, staff, and students are instructed to notify the AU DPS at (202) 885-3636 regarding all emergency situations including fire. The responding university police officer will determine if additional resources should be activated. The American University Department of Public Safety is staffed and support campus safety activities 24 hours per day, 365 days per year.

Per federal law, American University is required to annually disclose statistical data on all fires that occur in on-campus student housing facilities. **To report fires in on-campus housing that have already been extinguished, or if you are unsure if the American University Department of Public Safety has been notified please call (202) 885-3636.**

American University Residence Hall Fire Statistics for Reporting Year 2016

Residential Facility	Total Fires in Building	Fire Number	Date	Location Detail	Received Via	Cause of Fire	Value of Property Damage caused by Fire	Number of Injuries That Required Treatment at a Medical Facility	Number of Deaths Related to a Fire
Anderson Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	1	1	8/17/16	6 th Floor Lounge	System Alert	Unintentional-machinery/industrial	\$0	0	0
Berkshire Apartments ⁶ 4201 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2016.							
Cassell Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	2	1	3/7/2016	6 th Floor Lounge	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
		1	3/9/2016	3 rd Floor Lounge	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
Centennial Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	1	1	9/9/2014	3 rd Floor Kitchen	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
Clark Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2016.							
Congressional Hall 3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016 (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2016.							
Constitution Hall 3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016 (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2016.							

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Federal Hall 3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016 (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2016.							
Hughes Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	1	1	12/15/16	3 rd Floor Dorm	System Alert	Unintentional-open flames (burning paper)	\$0	0	0
Leonard Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2016.							
Letts Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	1	1	10/3/16	4 th Floor Hall	Email	Intentional-arson (paper set on fire)	\$0	0	0
McDowell Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2016.							
Nebraska Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2016.							
Roper Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	5	1	2/8/16	1 st Floor Kitchen	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
		2	4/12/16	1 st Floor Kitchen	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
		3	4/29/16	1 st Floor Kitchen	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
		4	9/22/16	1 st Floor Kitchen	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
		5	10/1/16	1 st Floor Dorm Room	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0

American University Residence Hall Fire Statistics for Reporting Year 2015

Residential Facility	Total Fires in Building	Fire Number	Date	Location Detail	Received Via	Cause of Fire	Value of Property Damage caused by Fire	Number of Injuries That Required Treatment at a Medical Facility	Number of Deaths Related to a Fire
Anderson Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	2	1	3/20/15	Inside Elevator	Email Notice	Melted Emergency Light (Non-criminal)	\$0	0	0
		2	3/24/15	Terrace Lounge	Email Notice	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
Berkshire Apartments ⁷ 4201 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2015.							
Cassell Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2015.							
Centennial Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2015.							
Clark Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2015.							
Congressional Hall 3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016 (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2015.							
Constitution Hall 3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016 (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2015.							

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Federal Hall 3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016 (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2015.							
Hughes Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	1	1	2/14/15	5 th Floor Lounge	System Alert	Unintentional – food preparation	\$0	0	0
Leonard Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2015.							
Letts Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2015.							
McDowell Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	1	1	4/1/15	6 th Floor Lounge	Telephone	Intentional – arson (Burnt glass)	\$100-999	0	0
Nebraska Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2015.							
Roper Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	2	1	5/24/15	1 st Floor Kitchen	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
		2	11/26/15	1 st Floor Kitchen	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0

American University Residence Hall Fire Statistics for Reporting Year 2014

Residential Facility	Total Fires in Building	Fire Number	Date	Location Detail	Received Via	Cause of Fire	Value of Property Damage caused by Fire	Number of Injuries That Required Treatment at a Medical Facility	Number of Deaths Related to a Fire
Anderson Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	2	1	7/14/14	4 th Floor Lounge	Telephone	Intentional-Attempted Arson (Stove)	\$0	0	0
		2	4/8/14	2 nd Floor Lounge	Telephone	Intentional-Arson (Paper)	\$0	0	0
Berkshire Apartments ⁸ 4201 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2014.							
Cassell Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	4	1	2/17/14	6 th Floor Lounge	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
		2	5/9/14	8 th Floor Lounge	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
		3	8/14/14	3 rd Floor Lounge	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	1	0
		4	9/25/14	3 rd Floor	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
Centennial Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2014.							
Clark Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2014.							
Congressional Hall 3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016 (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2014.							
Constitution Hall 3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016 (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2014.							
Federal Hall 3501 Nebraska Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016 (Opened at new location at Main Campus in 2017)	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2014.							
Hughes Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2014.							

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Leonard Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	3	1	1/28/14	4 th Floor Kitchen	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
		2	10/8/14	8 th Floor Bathroom	Email Notice	Unknown Cause – paper	\$0	0	0
		3	12/13/14	6 th Floor Elevator Lobby	Telephone	Intentional-Arson (paper on bulletin board)	\$0	0	0
Letts Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	2	1	7/13/14	6 th Floor Lounge	Telephone	Intentional-arson (plastic bottle)	\$0	0	0
		2	9/19/14	4 th Floor Kitchen	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0
McDowell Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2014.							
Nebraska Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	0	No fire or smoke incidents reported in 2014.							
Roper Hall 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20016	1	1	10/14/14	Lobby Kitchen Area	System Alert	Unintentional-food preparation	\$0	0	0

FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS IN FIRE SAFETY

In 2017, American University's Public Safety Department, Office of Risk, Safety and Transportation Programs, and Housing and Residence Life will review fire safety procedures, training, and policies. Changes to current practice are instituted as deemed necessary to improve the safety and American University's students and employees.

American University strives to provide a safe and fulfilling residence life program on our campuses. The office of Risk, Safety, and Transportation Programs are committed to promoting fire safety in all American University buildings.

DEFINITIONS

Fire	Any instance of open flame or other burning in a place not intended to contain the burning or in an uncontrolled manner.
Fire Drill	A supervised practice of mandatory evacuation of a building for a fire
Fire-Related Injury	Any instance in which a person is injured because of fire, including an injury sustained from a natural or accidental cause, while involved in fire control, attempting rescue, or escaping from the dangers of a fire. The term “person” may include students, employees, visitors, firefighters or any other individuals.
Fire-Related Death	Any instance in which a person (i) is killed because of fire, including death resulting from a natural or accidental cause while involved in fire control, attempting rescue, or escaping from the dangers of a fire; or (ii) dies within one year of injuries sustained as a result of a fire.
Fire-Safety System	Any mechanism or system related to the detection of a fire, the warning resulting from a fire, or the control of a fire. This may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sprinkler systems or other fire-extinguishing system • Fire-detection devices • Stand-alone smoke alarms • Devices that alert one to the presence of a fire, such as horns, bells, or strobe lights • Smoke control and reduction mechanisms • Fire doors and walls that reduce the spread of fire
Title IV Institution	A postsecondary educational institution that has entered into a formal agreement with the Secretary of Education, allowing the institution to participate in Title IV federal student aid programs.
Value of Property Damage	The estimated value of the loss of the structure and contents, in terms of the cost of replacement in like kind and quantity. This estimate should include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contents damaged by fire • Related damages caused by smoke, water, and overhaul, not including indirect loss such as business interruption.

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY RESIDENCE HALL ADDRESSES

Main Campus – 4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington D.C. 20016

- Anderson Hall
- Cassell Hall
- Centennial Hall
- Clark Hall
- Congressional⁹
- Constitution¹⁰
- Federal¹¹
- Hughes Hall
- Leonard Hall
- Letts Hall
- McDowell Hall
- Nebraska Hall
- Roper Hall

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