The University of Oregon Police Department (UOPD) is responsible for the general safety of the campus community twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Its police officers are the primary law enforcement providers on campus, trained to exceed standards established by the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training.

The department works closely with all campus departments as well as community law enforcement and emergency, health, and safety agencies to plan for and maintain a safe environment, and to quickly and effectively resolve safety and security issues. Residents and visitors should report campus crimes or safety concerns immediately to the UOPD by calling 541-346-2919 or, in emergencies, 9-1-1.

The UOPD receives its police powers under the Oregon Revised Statutes (Section 352.383). The department employs state-certified police officers as well as security officers and civilian personnel—including student security assistants—in various roles. University police officers have the same authority and basic training as other police officers in the state, with advanced training developed to support a global campus environment.

In compliance with the federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, the University of Oregon prepares an annual report that describes campus safety and security programs and services.

A copy of the university's annual security and fire safety report is available on the department website. This report includes statistics for the previous three years about reported crimes that occurred on campus; in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by the University of Oregon; and on public property within or immediately adjacent to and accessible from campus. The report also includes institutional policies about campus security, such as alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes, and sexual assault.

UOPD facilitates and manages building access control, provides first response for medical or other emergencies, crime prevention, emergency dispatch, security assessment, and special event safety planning. UOPD personnel patrol the campus and respond to needs 24 hours a day, by vehicle, by bicycle, and on foot.

UOPD is part of the Safety and Risk Services unit within the Office of the Vice President for Finance and Administration. The department joins Emergency Management and Fire Prevention and Risk Management and Environmental Health and Safety in a shared mission to safeguard the campus and reduce vulnerabilities so that students and members of the faculty can safely learn, teach, and conduct research.