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# Guns on Campus

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INFORMATION SESSION FOR KU STUDENTS, STAFF AND FACULTY

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# Personal and Family Protection Act

K.S.A. 75-7c01, et seq., originally enacted in 2006

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- **Amendment to K.S.A. 75-7c20 effective July 1, 2013**
- Concealed carry of a handgun cannot be prohibited in any state building unless adequate security measures are in place to ensure that no weapons are carried into the building
- 4-year exemption for compliance given to colleges and universities
  - June 30, 2013, BOR requested
  - Exemption will expire July 1, 2017
- **Amendment to K.S.A. 75-7c24 effective July 1, 2014**
- **Regarding open carry in state buildings**
  - Universities may exclude the open carrying of firearms in buildings using the same signage for **CONCEALED CARRY** for the duration of the 4-year exemption expiring July 1, 2017.
  - After the July 1, 2017, exemption expires, if the universities wish to continue to exclude open carrying of firearms within buildings, they will need to post the AG approved **OPEN CARRY** specific sign

# Basic Terminology

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- **Handgun** – A pistol or revolver designed to be fired with one hand.
- **Long gun** – Generally considered a rifle or shotgun with a barrel not less than 12” in length.
- **Concealed Carry** – The practice of carrying a concealed handgun on one’s person.
- **Open Carry** – Openly carrying a visible firearm on one’s person.
- **Brandishing** – Exposing the weapon to public view from its concealment in what could be perceived as a threatening manner.
- **Adequate Security Measures** – The use of electronic equipment and personnel at public entrances to detect and restrict the carrying of any weapons into the building, including, but not limited to, metal detectors, metal detector wands or any other equipment used for similar purposes.
- **Discreet Security Areas**– The option to define specific spaces and make them secured “no carry zones” within otherwise open campus buildings. This is one of many concepts being looked at as a possible partial solution within the law.

# What the University is doing

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- Multiple groups across KULC, KUMC, KU-Edwards working in sync to address specific circumstances
- Student survey and Faculty/Staff survey
- Information sessions for smaller groups
- Coordination with governance groups at other Regent's schools
- Raising awareness among constituents and communities

# What You Can Do

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## Inform

- **Write or call your state legislators, especially your local representatives**
  - A single voice – **YOUR VOICE** – does matter IF what you say is concise, informative and respectful
  - Focus on **SPECIFICS** not generalities
  - Identify **SITUATIONS unique** to your role at KU
  - Describe **specific CHALLENGES** someone unfamiliar with your work or situation might not know or understand
  - Suggest **reasonable and legal ALTERNATIVES**
  - **Provide your name and identify yourself as a concerned Kansas resident**
  - Include information that highlights your expertise
- **Write your local newspaper editor**
  - Be **brief**, get to the point, and be **professional**
  - Relate it to your community, personalize the issue
  - Identify yourself, expertise. Provide contact information so the newspaper can verify the authenticity of your letter.

# Legislator contacts

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[http://kslegislature.org/li/b2015\\_16/chamber/house/roster/](http://kslegislature.org/li/b2015_16/chamber/house/roster/)

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# Your Turn – Please Ask a Question

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**[kugunquestion@ku.edu](mailto:kugunquestion@ku.edu)**

KUMC questions must be submitted from your KUMC.edu email account

**Questions will be included with those shared from the audience**

