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CCTV Cameras

Technology Sponsor / Owner: CATcard & Police Services

Strategy

To maintain a closed-circuit digital camera security system with camera locations optimized to prioritize areas of potential threat/harm to campus community balancing the privacy interests of campus affiliates and visitors pursuant to policy.

Standardized Locations

All new buildings and project renovations should include a review of camera and infrastructure needs and incorporate them into the project. Police Services provides recommendations on camera placement and the Chief Safety and Compliance Officer gives final approval to camera installations.

Priority camera locations include those that capture ingress and egress of highly traveled areas for maximum investigative and deterrent value. Placement preference shall be given to interior or exterior *public facing* locations of high usage areas, where large numbers of people gather or transit; where valuables, critical infrastructure, or hazardous materials are stored; and areas that capture movement in and out of residential buildings. Examples include residence hall common areas, the Davis Center, Waterman Building, Athletics sports arenas, STEM and other key facilities.

Planning, Design, and Construction will provide guidance on camera mount styles in conjunction with CATcard office recommended options.

Equipment Types and On-going Maintenance

Camera types will vary based upon location and required field of view. Annual licensing fees will be the responsibility of the requesting departments. Coordination is required by Police Services and the CATcard Office before any installation.

Infrastructure Needs

Power over ethernet (POE).

Other Information & Helpful Links

Video Surveillance University Operating Procedure

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Requesting a Security Camera

Steps

Steps to request a Security Camera and installation:

- Contact Police Services at Police@uvm.edu to determine the best location for safety and security. Police Services will work with CATcard for placement based on infrastructure and the most appropriate camera model.
- Fill out the [Video Surveillance Installation Request Form](#). Email the form to CATcard@uvm.edu
- Once the camera arrives the CATcard team will coordinate installation.

Associated Costs

New buildings and renovation projects should include the cost of initial camera purchase and installation within the project.

Camera installation costs include parts (including mounting materials) and can vary greatly depending on the location and current infrastructure. The average installation cost per camera is estimated to be $2,600.

Camera costs typically range from $1,025-$2,500; however, the final cost will depend on the location and environment needs.

After the camera is installed, there is an on-going annual license cost per camera. This cost was $360 in FY23. If the camera location is a common area and required for public safety, the Division of Safety and Compliance will cover the annual cost. If the camera is requested for a department specific purpose, not deemed needed for public safety, or not in a common area the department requesting the camera will pay the annual license cost.