CAMPUS CARRY LAW

In 2015, the Texas Legislature enacted a law permitting licensed handgun holders to carry concealed handgun on public university campuses, effective August 1, 2016. This law is commonly referred to as the “Campus Carry Law.”

The law requires each public university president in Texas to establish campus-specific policies that reflect the unique campus environment. The law applies only to individuals licensed to carry a handgun and requires that the handgun remain concealed at all times. Open carry is not permitted on university campuses.

The purpose of this policy is to ensure compliance with Section 411.2031 of the Campus Carry Law.

It is the policy of The University of Texas at San Antonio Health Science Center to respect the Federal and Texas Constitutions, which recognize the right to keep and bear arms, while also recognizing the authority of the Texas Legislature to regulate the carrying of handguns. The university also exercises its authority under the Campus Carry Law to implement reasonable rules and regulations regarding the carrying of concealed handguns on university premises.

For additional information on the "Campus Carry Law," refer to Policy 8.12.1 (https://public.powerdms.com/UTHSA/documents/1590711/) in the Institutional Handbook of Operating Policies (IHOP).