

## Hate Crimes

New Jersey City University strives to foster a safe and healthy learning environment that embodies diversity and inclusion of all members of the NJCU community. The Hate Crime statistics are separated by category of prejudice. The numbers for most of the specific crime categories are part of the overall statistics reported for each year. The only exceptions to this are the addition of simple assault, intimidation, and any other crime that involves bodily injury that is not already included in the required reporting categories.

A Hate Crime is defined as a criminal act and/or attempting, aiding, abetting, advising, inciting, conniving, or conspiring to commit a criminal act (such as arson, assault, burglary, injury to property, kidnapping, manslaughter, murder, rape, robbery, theft, or unlawful entry) based on the actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family responsibility, homelessness, physical disability, matriculation, or political affiliation of a victim of a criminal act. Hate crimes under various federal laws have similar definitions.

If a Hate Crime occurs where there is an incident involving intimidation, vandalism, larceny, simple assault or other bodily injury, the law requires that the statistic be reported as a hate crime. **Note:** A hate or bias related crime is not a separate, distinct crime, but is the commission of a criminal offense which was motivated by the offender's bias.

For example, a subject assaults a victim, which is a crime. If the facts of the case indicate that the offender was motivated to commit the offense because of his / her bias against the victim's race, sexual orientation, gender, religion, ethnicity, or disability, the assault is then also classified as a hate / bias crime. Most speech is not a hate crime, regardless of how offensive it may be.

## Hate Crimes Statistics

*Hate Crime Statistics Reported by the NJCU Department of Public Safety are reported in accordance with Uniform Crime Reporting Procedures and the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act*

### **2018: One hate crime or bias incident reported**

- **Intimidation reported on-campus characterized by a religious bias**

### **2019: One hate crime or bias incident reported**

- **Harassment reported on-campus characterized by sexual orientation / gender**

### **One hate crime or bias incident reported**

- **Intimidation reported on-campus characterized by a religious bias**

### **2020: No hate crime incidents reported**