
Risk Management

Vision

The vision for risk management at Columbus State University is to proactively identify, assess, and mitigate risks while embracing opportunities for growth. Through collaborative efforts, we strive to create an environment where the well-being and success of our students, faculty, staff, and community are protected. By leveraging cutting-edge technologies, best practices, and continuous improvement, we aim to establish our university as a trusted leader in effective risk management, enabling us to achieve our educational mission with confidence and excellence.

Mission

The Risk and Compliance Department at Columbus State University is under the purview of the Division of Legal Affairs, Ethics, and Compliance. Our mission is to, in a timely and professional manner, minimize the adverse effects of loss due to accidents or unexpected events that jeopardize the wellbeing of the university community and the realization of its institutional objectives. This is accomplished by being a resource to the university in the areas of:

Avoidance: Identifying and eliminating a risk all together. Having a strong Enterprise Risk Management Committee with members representing each division on campus will allow for collaborative work on either avoiding a risk or mitigating one;

Reduction: Mitigating risks after identification by putting into place necessary safety requirements, policies, and procedures that will limit risks to the campus community;

Transference: Purchasing and having insurance in place to transfer risk that must be taken on by the university. The Department of Administrative Services (DOAS) holds most of the University's insurances, as well as a few third-party insurers;

Acceptance: Taking on the risks that are unavoidable to the university. Providing resources to the institution and its divisions on what to do in the event an incident should occur;

Compliance: Making sure CSU complies with federal and state regulations regarding the Clery Act, Programs Serving Minors, and insurance regulations.

Through continuous pursuit of this vision and mission along with close coordination and cooperation from the University community, a strong and successful Risk and Compliance department can be achieved.