

**Office of the Vice Provost for Educational Equity** 

## BIAS MOTIVATED INCIDENTS REPORT Spring 2013

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### THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY BIAS MOTIVATED INCIDENTS REPORT SPRING 2013

Start Date:	January 7, 2013	<b>Closing Date:</b>	May 30, 2013
Total Number of	of Reports (All Sources)		14
Report Hate W	-		
	rgraduate students		10
0	uate students		2
from facul unknown	ty/staff members		1 1
Report from U	niversity Police:		0
Referred Direct	tly to the Diversity Advoc	ate for Students:	0
•	f Campus Locations for I	Reports:	
•	Park Campus		8
Altoona Ca	-		1
Berks Cam	-		2
Brandywin	-		1
Mont Alto	-		1
Schuylkill (	Campus		1
<b>Statistical</b>	Breakdown for Bias Inc	idents Reported	
Status of Targe			
	uate Students = 7		
Graduate S			
	<b>Community in General</b>	= 2	
v	iff Members = 2		
Unknown =	= 1		
	of Targeted Persons:		
Male = 7 Female =6			
	n to answer = 1		
Do not wisi	1 to answer = 1		
	tion of Targeted Person(	(s):	
Heterosexu			
	y/Bisexual/Transgende	r(LGBT) = 1	
	n to answer $= 2$		
Unknown =	= 5		

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Does Targeted Person Appear to Have a Disability:
Yes = 1
No = 8
Unknown = 5
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Race/Ethnicity (Actual or Perceived) of Targeted Person(s):

White = 2

Latino/Hispanic = 1

Black = 3

Asian = 2

Indian (from India) = 0

Pacific Islander = 0

Indian (Native American) = 0

Turkish =1

African =1

Arab/Muslim = 0

Bi/Multiracial = 0

Unknown = 4
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Religious Belief (Actual or Perceived) of Targeted Person(s):
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Arabic Descent/Muslim = 0
Jewish = 0
Christian = 1
Buddhist = 0
Atheist = 0
Other = 0
Unknown = 13
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Submitter's Status:
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Undergraduate Students = 10
Graduate Students = 2
Faculty/Staff Members = 1
Penn State Alumni = 0
Unknown = 1
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Submitter's Gender Identity: Male = 9 Female = 4 Transgender = 0 Unknown = 1

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Submitter's Sexual Orientation:
LGBT = 1
Heterosexual = 9
Unspecified/Unknown = 4
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Submitter's Racial/Ethnic Identity:
       Latino/Hispanic = 0
      Black = 3
       Asian = 0
       Arab/Muslim = 0
       White = 2
      Indian (Native American) = 0
       Multiracial = 0
       Unspecified/Unknown = 9
Submitter's Religious Belief:
      Islam = 0
       Judaism = 0
       Christianity = 0
       Atheism = 0
      Buddhist = 0
       Other = 0
       Unspecified/Unknown = 14
Identification of Perpetrator(s) Known (most often unknown), or Believed to be:
       Student = 2
       Male (actual or suspected) = 9
       Female (actual or suspected) = 3
       White = 1
       Black = 3 (includes those of Caribbean and African ancestry who identify as Black)
      Latino/Hispanic = 0
       Asian = 0
      Turkish = 1
       Sorority Member = 0
       Fraternity Member = 0
       Christian = 0
      Heterosexual = 0
      LGBT = 0
      Faculty/Staff Member = 8
       Non-Penn State Affiliate = 3
       Unknown = 1
Targeted Issues (motive behind the intolerance of perpetrators; sometimes multiple motives):
       Unable to determine = 1
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Age = 0
Ancestry = 1
Color = 1
Disability = 1
Ethnicity/Culture = 5
Gender = 1
National Origin = 0
Physical Appearance = 0
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Race = 4
       Religious/Spiritual Beliefs = 5
       Retaliation = 3
       Sexual Orientation = 1
       Sexual Solicitation = 0
       Status as Veteran of the Armed Forces = 0
       Other = 1
Type of Offense (how bias was demonstrated--may involve more than one type):
       Graffiti = 1
       Harassment (verbal/written/email/phone) = 6
       Hostile Attitude/Environment Created = 8
       Physical Intimidation/Assault = 3
       Physical Injury Occurred = 0
       Poster = 2
       Stalking = 0
       Vandalism of Property = 6
       Verbal Attack/Comment = 6
       Verbal Intimidation/Assault = 7
       Written fax, email, note, text message = 2
       Other = 0
Geographic Location:
       On Campus = 13
       Off Campus = 1
Month Incident Occurred:
       January = 8
       February = 3
       March = 0
       April = 2
      May = 0
Day of Incident:
       Sunday = 1
       Monday = 1
      Tuesday = 1
       Wednesday = 0
      Thursday = 6
       Friday = 4
       Saturday = 1
       Unknown = 0
Time of Incident:
       6:00 a.m. to Noon = 5
       Noon to 6:00 p.m. = 5
       6:00 p.m. to Midnight = 2
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Midnight to 6:00 a.m. = 1 Unknown = 2

Intoxicant Involved: Yes = 0 No or Unknown = 14

Weapons Involved: Yes = 0 No or Unknown = 14

### **Bias Motivated Incidents Report Discussion**

- Fourteen reports were reported for the spring 2013 semester as compared to eight reports for summer/fall 2012.
- The fourteen reports received were from University Park (eight reports), Altoona (one report), Berks (two reports), Brandywine (one report), Mont Alto (one report), and Schuylkill (one report).
- Three reports from University Park were for the same perpetrator and referred for additional action to be taken.
- Two reports were off-campus Penn State affiliates. The submitter was contacted in both cases.
- As always, confidentiality of identities and information was respected, unless otherwise indicated by the submitter or targeted person.
- All of the categories listed in this report are also included on the Report Hate website.
- Multiple categories often exist for the status of Targeted Persons, Race/Ethnicity, Targeted Issues, and Types of Offense. An effort is made to indicate one choice that best describes an incident or individual, or how that individual may identify him or herself. However, in some instances when appropriate and where overlap exists, more than one category is chosen and indicated. This accounts for the occasional slightly higher numbers within a category than the total number of reports given. In addition, two or more perpetrators may act in concert, two or more submitters may report together on the same incident, and two or more targeted persons may be affected by a bias incident.

Finally, the intended target for a perpetrator may be more than one student, a student organization, the University community in general, or a subgroup of the

# community. Also, the number of targeted persons involved can be higher than the number of reports made or may not be able to be determined.

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