The Chief Legal Officer, pursuant to the authority of UWG Policy 9.4, establishes the following procedures for compliance with Georgia's laws on the possession and carrying of firearms and the requirements as set forth by the University System of Georgia as it relates to certain firearms on campus.

A. Compliance with USG's Guidelines implementing O.C.G.A. § 16-11-127.1
The University of West Georgia complies with applicable federal and Georgia law, and hereby adopts and incorporates by reference the University System of Georgia's Guidelines implementing the State of Georgia law on carrying certain weapons in school safety zones. The Guidelines are attached as Appendix A to this Procedure. To the extent the University System of Georgia publishes updates or additional guidance to assist with compliance, the University of West Georgia similarly will rely upon those additional resources.

B. Definitions.
1. Campus - UWG-owned or leased buildings, grounds and property, including sidewalks and streets within campus boundaries.
2. Concealed - carried in such a fashion that does not actively solicit the attention of others and is not prominently, openly, and intentionally displayed except for purposes of defense of self or others. Such term shall include, but not be limited to, carrying on one's person while such handgun is substantially, but not necessarily completely, covered by an article of clothing which is worn by such person, carrying within a bag of a nondescript nature which is being carried about by such person, or carrying in any other fashion as to not be clearly discernible by the passive observation of others.
3. License Holder - any individual who has successfully completed the requirements as established by O.C.G.A. § 16-11-129 for a weapons carry license, and whose license is current and valid without restrictions on its use.

It shall be unlawful for any person to carry to or to possess or have under such person's control while on Campus any weapon, except as permitted by O.C.G.A. § 16-11-127.1. All such weapons must be Concealed in accordance with that law. Please refer to Georgia's annotated code here and Guidelines established by the University System of Georgia here.

D. Penalties.
In addition to the penalties provided for in the law, the University may take additional actions against any employee or student who violates the law or USG's Guidelines, including and up to termination for employees, or suspension/expulsion for students.
E. Additional Guidelines Published by University Units.
The Chief Police Officer and the Chief Human Resources Officer are authorized to publish guidelines to implement UWG Policy 9.4 and its associated procedures. In the event a guideline conflicts with the UWG Policy or its associated procedures, the latter will control.

Issued by the Chief Legal Officer, the 30 day of [Date], 2017.

Signature, Chief Legal Officer

Reviewed by President:

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