



1302.00 STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Responsible Officer:	EVP-COO UC Operations
Responsible Office:	Systemwide Community Safety
Issuance Date:	[The date of issuance by the President]
Effective Date:	[The date that the Policy is first enforceable]
Scope:	The policies and procedures contained within constitute a directive for members of the University of California Police Department (UCPD). They are created to provide direction and guidance to the members of the UCPD and provide the framework of coordination for the protection of the population and resources of the University of California.

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I. POLICY SUMMARY

The Systemwide UCPD Statutory Authority Policy explains where UCPD have authority to act and which laws authorize their peace officer status, helping community members understand the scope and limits of campus police jurisdiction. California law provides that the UC Regents have the authority to establish and appoint sworn members of the UCPD, who become California peace officers with statewide authority.

II. POLICY TEXT

AUTHORITY: REGENTS-PEACE OFFICERS

1302. The authority of The Regents to appoint peace officers and the extent of the authority of those officers is described in the Education and Penal Codes of the State of California.

1302.1 California Education Code, Section [92600](#). "The Regents of the University of California are authorized and empowered to appoint one or more persons to be members of the University of California Police Department as such police department is constituted on September 19, 1947, or may thereafter be constituted. Persons employed and compensated as members of said police department, when so appointed and duly sworn, are peace officers; provided, that such officers shall not exercise their powers or authority except (a) upon the campuses of the University of California and an area within one mile of the exterior boundaries of each thereof, (b) in or about other grounds of properties owned, operated, controlled or administered by The Regents of the University of California and (c) as provided in Section [830.2](#) of the Penal Code."

1302.1.2 California Penal Code, Section [830.2](#). The following persons are peace officers whose authority extends to any place in the State..."(b) A member of the University of California Police Department appointed pursuant to Section 92600 of the Education Code is a peace officer whose authority extends to any place in the state; provided that the primary duty of any such peace officer shall be the enforcement of the law within the area specified in Section 92600 of the Education Code..."

1302.1.3 California Education Code, Section [92601](#). Badge of the University Police: "Every sworn member of the University of California Police Department shall be supplied with, and authorized to wear, a badge bearing the words, "University of California Police.""

CONCURRENT JURISDICTION

1302.2 Jurisdiction is shared with local law enforcement agencies. The county sheriff's department has concurrent jurisdiction on all campuses and upon all properties owned or controlled by the University located within the county. If the campus or property is located within a municipality, the city police department has concurrent jurisdiction.

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

1302.3 The Regents of the University of California are authorized and empowered by California Education Code Section 92600 to appoint peace officers. Bylaws [22.1](#) and [31](#)

delegates authority for governance of the University to the President and for the governance of a campus to each Chancellor.

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III. COMPLIANCE / RESPONSIBILITIES

Each Chief of Police has the responsibility to adopt and publish policies and procedures for the assistance and guidance of the members of their individual campus police departments. Policies and Procedures for campus police departments issued by authority of the Chief of Police shall have the same authority as these Policies.

Local regulations, including General and Special Orders, Procedural Memoranda and instructions may be written more restrictively than Policies Applying to University of California Police Department, however they may not be written to supplant or diminish the Policies and Procedures contained within this Systemwide document.

IV. RELATED INFORMATION

California Constitution, Article IX Education, [Section 9](#)

V. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Not applicable

VI. REVISION HISTORY

January 2, 2026: Updated to reflect rescinded Standing Orders 100.4 and 100.6, Board of Regents. This Policy is also reformatted to meet Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0

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