



# How to Survive an Active Shooter

University of Texas at Austin  
14 deaths, 31 injured

California State University  
7 deaths, 2 injured

University of Iowa  
5 deaths, 6 injured

University of Arizona School of Nursing  
4 deaths

Delaware State University  
1 death, 1 injured

Virginia Tech  
33 deaths, 23 injured

Northern Illinois University  
6 deaths, 18 injured

Louisiana Technical College  
2 deaths

**A guide...**  
**for Faculty, Staff, Students and Visitors.**

**If you hear gunfire:**

Take cover and stay calm. (Cover is an object that will stop a bullet.) Your best chance to avoid injury is to remove yourself from sight.

- If confronted while seated in an office, classroom or lab, immediately fall to the floor.
- If walking down a hallway, look for an open room to hide. Barricade doorways; turn off the lights, get down on the floor and hide if possible. Remain quiet.
- If the room has shades or curtain, close them.
- If fleeing, notify anyone you encounter to exit the building immediately.
- If outside, get behind a tree or wall; lie down and wait for rescue.
- If in a parking lot, hide behind the front tire/engine of a vehicle.
- Consider overpowering the shooter only as a last resort.

**If an Active Shooter is Inside or Outside Your Building:**

- Go to a room, barricade doorways; turn off the lights, get down on the floor and hide if possible. Remain quiet.
- Get everyone down to the floor and make sure no one can be seen from outside the room.
- One person should call 911/210-567-8911. Advise UT Police
  - Your name
  - Location of incident
  - Your location
  - Number of shooters (if known)
  - Number of persons that may be involved
  - Injuries to any one (if known)
- Do not answer the door

- Keep quiet as if no one is in the room
- Wait for University Police to assist you out of the building

#### **No Matter what:**

- If you decide to flee, make sure you have an escape route and plan in mind
- Do not attempt to carry anything while fleeing
- When exiting the building or run across police officers, **put your hands on your head and follow police instructions**
- If you are hiding in a room, Police will be clearing each room, **stay flat on the floor with your hands on your head** and do not move until you are given instructions
- Do not attempt to remove wounded or injured people
- Notify authorities of the shooter's location
- Do not try to drive away

#### **What to Expect from the First Responders:**

- Police will respond immediately to the area in which shots are being fired or last reported. Their purpose is to stop the shooting as quickly as possible
- First responders will be **armed**. University Police Officers will be in duty uniforms or they will have police badges in plain sight
- If you know where the shooter is, tell them
- The first police officers on scene **will not** stop to aid the injured. Rescue teams will come in after area is secured
- You **will be treated** as suspects until you have been checked out.

After everything is over...the area is considered a crime scene and you will be detained until all witnesses have been identified and questioned.

All UTHSCSA Police Officers have been trained in Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training.



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