

## **Weapons Policy**

**The New York State Legislature adopted the following legislation regarding firearms on campus:**

**Section 265.01(3):** *“Any person who knowingly has in his possession a rifle, shotgun, or firearm in or upon a building or the grounds, used for educational purposes, of any school, college or university without the written authorization of such educational institution, is guilty of a Class A Misdemeanor, and is guilty of a Class D Felony if he has previously been convicted of any crime.”*

**Section 265.06:** *“It shall be unlawful for any person age sixteen or older to knowingly possess any air-gun, spring gun, or other instrument or weapon in which the propelling force is a spring, air, piston or CO2 cartridge in or upon a building or grounds, used for educational purposes, of any school, college or university, without the written authorization of such educational institution.*

In accordance with this law, rifles, shotguns, BB guns, pellet guns, hunting bows, knives, swords, martial arts weapons, sling shots and other weapons, as well as ammunition associated with these weapons, are prohibited on campus. Unusual or special exceptions are made only with the permission of the director of security and safety. Violations result in referral to the Student Judiciary Board or Human Resources, confiscation and possible loss of item in violation, and may be suspect to arrest in accordance with Section 265.01(3) or Section 265.06 as described above.