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Overview of Presentation

- Introduction of Campus Carry Task Force members in attendance
- Overview of Campus Carry Law Requirements
- Concealed Handgun License (CHL) Requirements in Texas
- Data on Texas CHL Holders
- Estimated Impact on UNT

Campus Carry Law Requirements Senate Bill 11

Campus Carry Law Requirements

- The Texas Legislature has explored campus carry in previous legislative sessions
- During the most recent legislative session, the Texas Legislature passed and Governor Abbott signed, campus carry legislation
- The campus carry law allows Concealed Handgun License (CHL) holders to carry a concealed handgun on or about their person while on campus once the law becomes effective on August 1, 2016
- The campus carry law allows for concealed carry by CHL holders, not open carry
- **UNT is going to abide by the requirements of the law**

Campus Carry Law Requirements

- Once law is effective, Concealed Handgun License (CHL) holders may carry a concealed handgun on or about their person while on campus
- May restrict certain areas from campus carry and must give effective notice to any portion of campus in which license holders may not carry a concealed handgun, such as collegiate sporting events.
- May not establish provisions that generally prohibit or have the effect of generally prohibiting license holders from carrying concealed handguns on campus

Campus Carry Law Requirements

- After consulting with students and employees, the President will establish rules regarding the carrying of concealed handguns by license holders on the campus
 - Draft campus carry policy due to President from Task Force by December 15
- Universities may establish rules concerning the storage of handguns in campus housing

Effective date of Campus Carry Law - August 1, 2016

Campus Carry Law Requirements

Effective Notice

“Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun.”

Campus Carry Law Requirements

- In compliance with the requirements of the law, UNT will submit policy to Board of Regents for review in February 2016
 - Board may vote to amend rules. If amended, provisions are final.
- Publish and distribute campus carry policy to students and employees.
- Publish campus carry policy on institution's webpage.
- Submit a report to Legislature describing rules and reasons for each rule no later than September 1, 2016 and every even-numbered year thereafter.

Additional Campus Carry Information

- UNT cannot revoke the right of a CHL holder to carry on campus
 - Suspension and revocation of CHL can only be done by Texas DPS
- Once law is effective, it will be a criminal act for a CHL holder to intentionally and knowingly display a handgun in plain view of another person on campus or to carry a concealed handgun in a location where effective notice has been given.
- Open Carry, which takes effect on January 1, 2016, will not be allowed on campus
 - The law specifically excludes institutions of higher education from open carry
- UNT does not have the legal authority to require a CHL holder to self-identify

Concealed Handgun License (CHL) Requirements in Texas

Texas CHL Requirements

- Must be 21 years of age or older (unless active military) who has met eligibility requirements to purchase and or possess a handgun.
- CHL applicant must complete classroom training, pass a written examination and pass a proficiency demonstration (i.e., discharging a handgun).
- All classroom and proficiency must be conducted by a CHL instructor certified by DPS.

Texas CHL Requirements

- **Eligibility** - A person is eligible for a license to carry a concealed handgun if the person:
 - Has not been convicted of a felony;
 - Has not been convicted of Class A or Class B misdemeanors in the last five years;
 - Has not been charged with a Class A or Class B misdemeanor or under a felony indictment;
 - Is not a fugitive from justice for a felony or a Class A or B misdemeanor;

Texas CHL Requirements

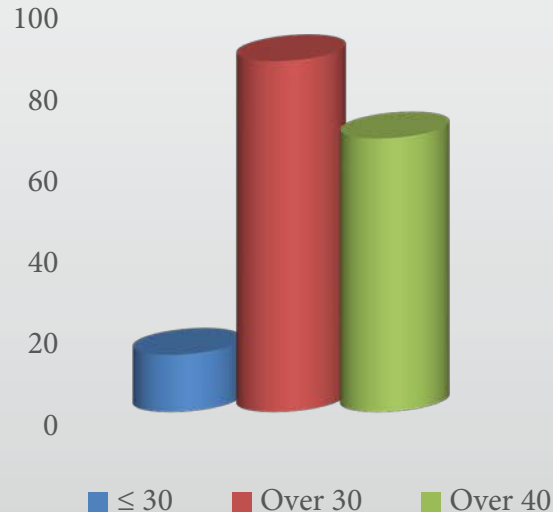
- CHL Eligibility continued -
 - Is not a chemically dependent person;
 - Is capable of exercising sound judgement with respect to the proper use and storage of a handgun;
 - Has not made any material misrepresentation, or failed to disclose any material fact, in the submitted application;
 - Texas Department of Public Safety conducts a background investigation.

For any additional eligibility/ineligibility factors visit <https://www.txdps.state.tx.us/rsd/chl/index.htm>

Data on Texas CHL Holders

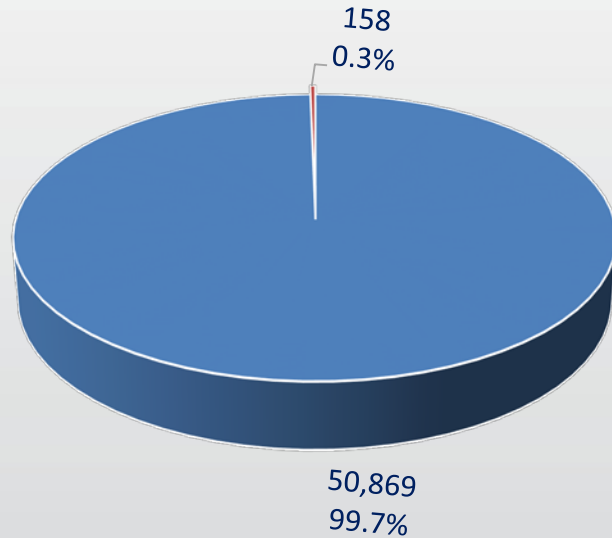
Who has a CHL in Texas?

2014 Demographics



- In 2014, approximately 3% of Texas residents had a CHL.
 - 86% of CHLs issued to individuals over 30 years old.
 - 67% of CHLs issued to individuals over 40 years old.

2013 Texas Convictions



■ Total Convictions

CHL holders represent approximately one-third of one percent of the total convictions in Texas in 2013; i.e., 0.3%.

2013 Texas Convictions

	<u>Total Convictions</u>	<u>CHL Convictions</u>
• Murder	364	3
• Aggravated Sexual Assault	117	1
• Sexual Assault	210	3
• Aggravated Robbery	1,696	1
• Robbery	1,495	0
• Aggravated Assault w/ Deadly Weapon	2,292	10
• Assault with Bodily Injury	6,494	13
• Terroristic Threat	1,078	0

Estimated Impact on UNT

Estimated Number of UNT CHL Holders

- There are currently approximately 42,000 students and employees at UNT
 - Applying the 3% of Texas population standard to the number of students and employees at UNT, there are an estimated 1,260 CHL holders currently at UNT

UNT Residence Halls

- In Fall 2015, 6,210 students live in a residence hall
- Approximately 500 students who currently live in UNT residence halls are over the age of 21
 - Since 86% of CHL holders in Texas are over the age of 30, we do not expect many CHL holders to live in UNT residence halls.
- According to UNT PD records, there have been no cases of Trespass by Holder of License to Carry Concealed Handgun or Unlawful Carrying of Handgun by License Holder on campus since the concealed handgun law went into effect in Texas in 1997

Experiences in Other States

- According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, Texas is one of eight states, joining Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Mississippi, Oregon, Utah and Wisconsin with campus carry.
- Colorado has the longest history with campus carry, passing legislation in 2003.

Experiences in Other States

- Colorado State University reports no incidents of CHL holders displaying or discharging a firearm on campus since 2003.
- University of Colorado-Boulder has had one accidental discharge of a handgun by a CHL holder when a staff member at the Dental School showed her handgun to a colleague.

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- Updates will be provided on the UNT campus carry website located at campuscarry.unt.edu
- Fill out the Share Your Thoughts web form on the campus carry website
- Email campuscarry@unt.edu



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