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100.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE
Law enforcement officers are granted the authority to perform their function based on established legal authority. This department does not tolerate abuse of law enforcement authority.

100.2 PEACE OFFICER POWERS
Sworn members of this department shall be considered peace officers pursuant to Penal Code § 830.2. The authority of any such peace officer extends to any place in the State of California, as follows:

(a) As to any public offense committed or which there is probable cause to believe has been committed within the political subdivision which employs the peace officer; or

(b) Where the peace officer has the prior consent of the chief of police, or person authorized by him or her to give consent, if the place is within a city or of the sheriff, or person authorized by him or her to give such consent, if the place is within a county; or

(c) As to any public offense committed or which there is probable cause to believe has been committed in the peace officer's presence, and with respect to which there is immediate danger to person or property, or of the escape of the perpetrator of the offense.

100.2.1 AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION
The authority of Police departments within the California State University is established under Division 8, Chapter 5, Article 3, of Section 89560 of the California Education Code, which states: "The trustees may appoint one or more persons to constitute a police department for the headquarters and for each campus of the California State University. Persons employed and compensated as members of a California State University Police Department, when so appointed and duly sworn, are peace officers.

However, such peace officers shall not exercise their authority except:

(a) At the headquarters or upon any campus of the California State University and in an area within one mile of the exterior boundaries of each campus or the headquarters, and in or about other grounds or property owned, operated, controlled, or administrated by the California State University, or by Trustees or the State on behalf of the California State University, and

(b) As provided in Penal Code Section 830.2(c).
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California Penal Code Section 830.2(c) states that the following persons are peace officers whose authority extends to any place in the state. "A member of the California State University Police Departments appointed pursuant to Section 89560 of the Education Code, provided that the primary duty of the peace officer shall be the enforcement of the law within the area specified in Section 89560 of the Education Code."

Jurisdictional Agreements: Senate Bill 1729 created an addendum to Section 67381 of the Education Code known as the Kristin Smart Campus Safety Act of 1998. The legislation requires local law enforcement agencies and police departments within the California State University to enter into a written agreement that delineates which law enforcement agency has operational responsibility for the investigation of Part I violent crimes and delineates the specific geographical boundaries of each agency's operational responsibility.

100.2.2 DEPARTMENT NAME
The official name of the Department shall be "The California State University, Bakersfield Police Department".

For brevity, the California State University, Bakersfield Police Department may be referred to as the Bakersfield University Police Department, or the Department.

100.3 CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS
All employees shall observe and comply with every person’s clearly established rights under the United States and California Constitutions.