



## Ingersoll Rand Security Technologies' Research Finds Discrepancies in Perceptions of College Campus Security

***Free executive summary available on research of students' desire for convenience and the need to provide a secure, safe campus***

Carmel, Ind., November 28, 2011 – [Ingersoll Rand Security Technologies](#), a leading global provider of security and safety solutions and manufacturer of Schlage® contactless smart credentials and readers, released an [executive summary](#) of three research projects conducted among 1300 students and decision makers across 980 U.S. colleges and universities, both public and private, 2-year and 4-year, in May 2011.

The research finds that college administrators are challenged with providing a balance between students' desire for convenience and the need to provide a secure, safe campus. However, university security and safety departments view security much differently than do their students. While students emphasize convenience and flexibility, the departments concentrate on access control tasks.

“We felt it was imperative that we more deeply understand what is going on with safety and security on campus in order to better help the hundreds of colleges – and their integrators – that we serve,” emphasizes Raj Venkat, Ingersoll Rand Security Technologies vice president, marketing. “As they plan for their futures, we need to help everyone involved in securing our colleges and universities address the paradoxical needs that this research uncovered and get all parties on the same page.”

REPORT TITLE: “Security and Convenience – A Paradox on Campus”

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Key Findings:

- Students are interested in using their cell phone as credential/ID
- Conflicting concerns about tailgating and piggybacking (holding the door open for another)
- Majority of campuses are manually locking access points in lockdown situation
- Students feel that their school is effective at keeping the campus safe.
- Building access, identification, food and bookstores purchases are most common uses of student-issued ID cards

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