Princeton University

Department of Public Safety

Update-Campus Timely Warning

Burglary/unwanted touching suspect arrested

This is an update from the Department of Public Safety about the Oct. 31, 2015, timely warning of a report of burglary/unwanted touching.

At 5:07 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, a female student reported that she woke up and found an unknown individual with an arm around her in her unlocked room in 1915 Hall. The student screamed and the individual fled in an unknown direction. The student had no physical injuries.

Following an investigation by the Department of Public Safety, a Princeton University student has been arrested in connection with that incident. The Mercer County Prosecutors Office and the Department of Public Safety have charged the individual with criminal sexual contact and burglary. The student has been banned from campus.

To maintain the safety and security of the campus, Public Safety reminds all community members to follow the crime prevention tips listed on our website (http://web.princeton.edu/sites/publicsafety/CrimeTips.htm), including:

- Report suspicious activity immediately.
- When running in isolated areas run with a friend.
- If you must remain in a building after hours, use the buddy system when leaving.
- Stay alert and tuned in to your surroundings. Be aware and prepared.
- Stand tall and walk confidently; do not show fear.

The Federal Clery Act requires that universities with a campus public safety agency create and maintain a daily log, recording all alleged crimes reported to its police or security department, including the nature, date, time, and general location of each alleged crime and the disposition of the complaint. This log must be available for public inspection, except where disclosure of this information is prohibited by law or would jeopardize the confidentiality of a victim. DPS prepares the “Clery Daily Crime Log,” and it can be found on the DPS website at: http://web.princeton.edu/sites/publicsafety.

The Federal Clery Act also requires that universities with an on-campus student housing facility maintain a written fire log that reports any fire that occurred in an on-campus student housing facility. When a fire occurs in an on-campus student housing facility, a “Clery Daily Fire Log” will be attached to the “DPS Director's Daily Report” and available for public inspection at 200 Elm Drive.

Also attached, when appropriate, are a “Daily Crime Summary” (listing items on the “Clery Daily Crime Log” with additional details for the benefit of University administrators), “Daily Incident Summary” (listing non-criminal incidents reported to the Department of Public Safety) and “Daily Fire Alarm Summary” (listing incidents related to fire alarms and carbon monoxide alarms). These three reports, which are not required by the Clery Act, are for internal use only and are not available for public inspection.

Emergency: 9-1-1 on campus or (609) 258-3333 off campus or cell phones
Non-emergencies: (609) 258-1000