TIMELY WARNING:

This notice is to advise you of an incident that concerns the University community.

Date: August 3, 2016

Incident: Attempted Robbery

On Wednesday, August 3, 2016, at 11:18 p.m., it was reported to the Department of Public Safety, by a male graduate student that he was walking south on Alexander Street from the Dinky train station when a dark complected male, approximately 5'8" to 5'9" in height, with short black hair, wearing a black shirt and dark pants grabbed him from behind in a bear hug. The suspect began feeling the victim’s body around his pants pockets and the victim believed he was trying to take his cell phone. The victim turned, was able to free himself and struck the suspect in his face. The male suspect fled north on Alexander Street toward the Dinky train station and the victim continued to his residence. The victim was not injured.

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If you have information relevant to this incident, please contact the Department of Public Safety at 609-258-1000.

We remind all community members of the tips listed below and our general crime prevention tips listed on our website http://publicsafety.princeton.edu/safety-security/tips.

- Report suspicious behavior or activity immediately by calling the Department of Public Safety at 609-258-3333 or by using any blue light emergency phone located throughout campus.
- Never prop your door, never tape your lock and lock your windows.
- Stay alert and tuned in to your surroundings. Be aware and prepared.
- Avoid walking alone or appearing distracted by wearing headphones or talking on your cell phone.
- Trust your instincts, and if you do not feel comfortable in a place or situation, leave.
- If you must remain in a building after hours, use the buddy system when leaving.
- Be careful when using your cellular phone, in public, while walking alone.
- Call (609) 258-3134 for an escort. Any suspicious vehicles in the community should be reported immediately.

Federal Clery Act requires when a Clery reportable crime is committed and a university determines that there is an ongoing threat to the health or safety of students or employees occurring on campus, the university must follow its Timely Warning procedures. Princeton University is issuing this alert in accordance with its procedures.