Princeton University
Department of Public Safety

Campus Safety Alert

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

Date: Saturday, April 18, 2009

Incident: Lewdness

The Department of Public Safety is alerting community members of an ongoing investigation concerning reported incidents of lewdness.

In separate incidents at approximately 2 and 2:39 a.m. on Saturday, April 18, 2009, two Princeton University female students reported a male was masturbating and exposed his genital area to them while they were walking alone across campus. The first incident took place as the victim was walking on McCosh Walk toward the University Store and the suspect was on the steps between Buyers and Witherspoon halls. The victim said she also saw the suspect earlier in the evening near 1879 Hall and the School of Architecture, where he was masturbating as he walked behind her. The second victim reported that she saw the suspect near the first entry of 1879 Hall, where he exposed himself. The victim said the suspect ran toward Washington Road toward Nassau Street. The suspect did not come into direct contact with either victim.

The suspect was described by the two female students as a Hispanic male, approximately 29 years of age, 6'2 in height, curly hair, wearing a blue and black fleece zip-up jacket, blue jeans and brown shoes.

The Department of Public Safety continues to investigate this incident, will increase foot patrols around the campus in the evening hours and asks that any community member who has relevant information contact the department by calling (609) 258-1000 or via a confidential tip line on our website: https://tipline.princeton.edu/.

To maintain the safety and security of the campus, the Department of 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.
- If you must remain in a building after hours, use the buddy system when leaving.
- Call (609) 258-3134 for an escort.
- Stay alert and tuned in to your surroundings. Be aware and prepared.
- Stand tall and walk confidently; do not show fear.
- Trust your instincts, and if you do not feel comfortable in a place or situation, leave.

If you have information relevant to this incident, please contact the Department of Public Safety at (609) 258-1000, or an investigator at (609) 258-3705.
We remind all community members of our general crime prevention tips listed on our website [www.princeton.edu/publicsafety/CrimeTips.htm](http://www.princeton.edu/publicsafety/CrimeTips.htm), including:

*The Federal Clery Act requires that universities with a campus public safety agency must, in a manner that is timely and will aid in the prevention of similar crimes, report to the campus community crimes that fall into certain categories and that are considered by the university to represent a continuing threat to the campus community. The Department of Public Safety refers to these notices as “Campus Safety Alerts.” This Campus Safety Alert is issued according to this requirement.*