



# CAMPUS SAFETY ALERT



**Date of Issue:** December 20, 2019

**Alert Number:** 19-15

**Nature:** Burglary, Invasion of Privacy Sex Gratification

**Date of Incident:** November 28, 2019

**Location of Incident:** Daniel L. Ritchie Center

**Synopsis:** On Thursday, Nov. 28, 2019, a male suspect entered the Daniel L. Ritchie Center for Sports and Wellness on the University of Denver campus, gaining entry into the lower level's secured women's locker rooms. Using information gathered from security cameras, the Denver Police Department and the Division of Campus Safety were subsequently able to identify the suspect. As a result of a cooperative investigation between Denver Police and Campus Safety, on Tuesday, December 17, 2019, Denver Police arrested 34-year-old Christopher Finger and charged him with burglary and invasion of privacy sex gratification.

On December 19, 2019, Campus Safety learned that Finger was released on bond pending pre-trial service. He is considered an ongoing threat to the University community and has been issued a Protection Order by the court. The University has issued a notice of trespass to Finger, and he would be trespassing if he were to be present on campus. If you see Finger anywhere on campus, please contact Campus Safety immediately at 303-871-3000.

Campus Safety issued community advisories to University employees and certain groups that had accessed the Ritchie Center around the time of the investigation and surveillance that led to the subsequent arrest of Finger.

The same individual is suspected of being involved in previous burglaries to this facility, in which it is alleged that he took several women's undergarments from the women's locker rooms on more than one occasion. Campus Safety issued alerts regarding those incidents at the time they occurred, although the suspect was not identified at the time.

**Suspect Information:** Christopher Finger, White Male, 34 Years old, 5'10", 170 lbs., Blue Eyes, Brown Hair.

See below for the most recent photographs of Finger as well as photographs from previous incidents in which he is now a suspect.

If you have any information about these crimes, please contact Campus Safety.

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### Safety and Security Tips:

1. Be aware of your surroundings. If you see anyone suspicious, avoid them by entering a public place such as a business.
2. Do not use your phone or any other electronics when walking. These devices distract you and make you an easy target for criminals.
3. Report any unusual or suspicious activity you witness. Even the smallest bit of information could prevent a crime and help protect yourself or others.
4. Use the “buddy system” whenever possible. Travel with a trusted friend to minimize vulnerability.
5. Become familiar with lighted areas when walking at night. The DU Campus has several well lit sidewalk areas throughout the campus. Stay aware of your surroundings.
6. Walk on the sidewalk whenever possible. Walk close to the curb, avoiding doorways, bushes and other potential hiding places.

### **IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION ON THIS CRIME OR OTHERS, CONTACT:**

Denver Police Department	720.913.2000	
DU Campus Safety Investigator	303.871.4226	Michael.Fetrow@du.edu
DU Anonymous Tip Line	303.871.3130	

### **Available Resources on Campus for Survivors of Crime:**

Department	Functions	Telephone
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Campus Safety (Emergency)	Responds to emergencies and crime on campus	911 then (303) 871-3000 (1-3000)
Campus Safety (Non-Emergency)	Call to report a crime, request a walking escort or schedule a crime prevention presentation	(303) 871-2334 (1-2334)
Campus Safety Anonymous Tip Line	Anonymously report tips regarding crime on campus	(303) 871-3130 (1-3130)
Center for Advocacy, Prevention and Empowerment (CAPE)	Provides <b>confidential</b> daytime advocacy and support for victims of sexual assault, relationship violence, stalking and sexual harassment	(303) 871-3853 (1-3853)
Health & Counseling Center	<b>Confidential</b> , professional counseling services	(303) 871-2205 (1-2205)
Health & Counseling Center's Afterhours Counselor on Call	<b>Confidential</b> , afterhours crisis services for urgent mental health and gender violence concerns	(303) 871-2205 (1-2205)
Housing & Residential Education (HRE)	Can arrange room changes or initiate reports	(303) 871-2246 (1-2246)
Student Rights and Responsibility	Issues no contact orders and oversees the student judicial process	(303/8714504 (1-4504)

For updates on this alert, crime prevention tips, course offerings and safety information, follow Campus Safety on Twitter and like us on Facebook.



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