



# CAMPUS SAFETY ALERT



**Date of Issue:** October 31, 2020  
**Alert Number:** 20-07  
**Nature:** Aggravated Assault w/Firearm  
**Date of Incident:** **October 30, 2020**  
**Location of Incident:** 2000 Blk. of S. University Blvd.

## Synopsis:

On Friday, October 30, at approximately 11:53pm, Campus Safety received a call from three (3) DU students, who reported that several minutes prior, they were walking together in the 2000 Blk. of S. University Blvd., when they were approached by a male suspect in the area of 2041 S. University Blvd. (Fat Shack). The students reported that the suspect asked them if they were “good” and then retrieved a black pistol from his waistband. The suspect pointed the firearm at the students and told them to leave the area. The students continued to walk northbound on S. University Blvd. and noticed that the suspect was still following them. The students then ran from the area and contacted Campus Safety. The suspect was last seen near the intersection of S. University Blvd and E. Asbury Ave.

As Campus Safety Officers spoke with the initial reporting students, a second call was received by the Campus Safety Communications Center regarding a similar incident. A student reported being followed by a male suspect as she walked in the area of S. University Blvd. and E. Evans Ave. The student reported the male suspect continued to follow toward Harper Humanities Gardens, near the Mary Reed Building on campus. At some point, she observed the suspect pointed a dark colored small handgun toward her. The student ran from the area and contacted Campus Safety. The suspect was last seen by this student in the area of 2199 S. University Blvd., near the Harper Humanities Gardens.

Campus Safety notified the Denver Police Department who responded to the area. Both DPD and Campus Safety Officers conducted an extensive search on foot and in vehicles near both incident locations as well as throughout the campus. The suspect in both incidents was unable to be located at that time.

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Based on the timeframe of each incident, suspect description and close proximity of the events, the two incidents may be related and involve the same suspect.

DPD is investigating and will be conducting extra patrols in the area. The victims in both incidents have been provided resources. This information is being shared with the community per federal law.

**Description of Suspect:** Black male, approximately 5'6", 150lbs, between 33-35 years old, hair is styled in long dreads, wearing a bright colored shirt, dark saggy jeans, and black shoes.

If you have any information about this incident, please contact the Division of Campus Safety at 303-871-2334.

**It is strongly encouraged that you do not approach, interact or try to confront the suspect if seen in the area. Please contact DPD and/or Campus Safety.**

### 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. **Avoid displaying large amounts of cash, or wearing/displaying valuable jewelry or electronics. These items are enticing to criminals who assume that you have more valuables in your possession.**
4. **Try to walk in well-lit areas as much as possible.**
5. **Walk on the sidewalk whenever possible. Walk close to the curb, avoiding doorways, bushes and other potential hiding places.**

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## 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
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	(303/871)4504 (1-4504)

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