

49th Avenue Safety Alert

March 12, 2014

A male student was assaulted and robbed while walking towards the Canada Line SkyTrain Station on Sunday night, March 9, 2014. The incident occurred approximately one block from campus. The police were contacted and are investigating.

Facilities and Campus Safety & Security are committed to providing safe environments for our students, faculty and staff.

If you are threatened or concerned for your safety, call 911 right away.

If you are on campus call 604-562-1011 if:

- you see something / someone suspicious;
- you have questions about personal security; or
- you would like to request a Safewalk to your vehicle or bus stop.
- Please take care and adhere to the following safety guidelines, courtesy of the Vancouver Police Department (VPD):
- Bring a cell phone along if you have one – you can always call for help without having to look for a phone.
- Stay alert, stand tall and be confident – attackers are more likely to molest a person who appears uncertain or afraid.
- If you wish to give someone spare change, never pull out your wallet or open your purse – take change out of your pocket instead.
- Approach shadowy doorways, shrubbery, or anything that someone could hide behind with extra caution.
- If you think someone is following you, cross the street and turn to walk in the opposite direction to get a good look at them and then go find the nearest place to alert the authorities.
- If you are verbally harassed, do not respond, keep walking and notify the nearest authority.
- If you feel uneasy walking alone, find someone you know who will go out with you, or plan your route along busy streets so that there are always people around you.

For more personal safety advice please visit the VPD website:

<http://vancouver.ca/police/crime-prevention/index.html>