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UCI Police Department

Crime Alert

Content Warning: This crime alert includes sexual violence.

In an accordance with the <u>Clery Act</u> and to allow community members to make informed decisions about safety, we are sending this crime alert to our campus community. We encourage all community members to take care of their well-being while reading the following message, especially those who have been impacted by similar forms of violence.

The UCI Care office provides confidential support and advocacy to students who have experienced sexual assault, relationship abuse and stalking <u>www.care.uci.edu</u>. (949) 824-7273

The OEOD office works to resolve complaints of discrimination, sexual harassment, and/ or sexual violence through informal resolution or formal investigation. The office also assists with supportive remedies and resources for sexual violence <u>oeod.uci.edu/</u>. (949) 824-5594

Report

Today UCIPD received a report that a rape took place on campus (Vista del Campo-parking lot) on Friday, August 26, 2022, at approximately 11:00 p.m. The survivor described the suspect as a Hispanic male, approximately 5'10", medium build, black hair, with words tattooed on both arms. The survivor met the suspect on an online dating application and the suspect is not an affiliate of the UCI community.

If you have information that could be helpful in this investigation, please contact the UCI Police Department at (949) 824-5223.

Help fight crime by reporting suspicious activity to UCIPD immediately - race, gender, and religious affiliation are not considered suspicious.

Safety Tips

- If you are going out alone, make sure that someone knows where you are going, who you will be with and when you expect to return.
- If you start to feel concerns about a person or a situation, trust your feelings and try to remove yourself as quickly as possible from the potential threat, even if it is someone whom you know and even if it feels awkward to do so.
- If you think someone is at risk of assault or abuse, you should consider it an emergency and act to support that person.
- You can call the police or ask for help from other people, intervene directly if safe, or create a distraction to help remove the potential victim from the situation.

• Dial 9-1-1 for emergency or in-progress events. Non-emergency call (949) 824-5223.

Resources

- UCI Green Dot Bystander Intervention Program <u>www.care.uci.edu/greendot/index.php</u>.
- Waymakers is available to provide 24 hour crisis and referral services <u>www.waymakers.org</u>. (949) 831-9110
- UCIPD Safety Escort program is available to anyone by calling (949) 824-SAFE (7233). This is a free service provided to members of the UCI community as a safe alternative to walking alone at night.

Sincerely,

Liz Griffin Chief of Police UCI Police Department

UCI Crime Alerts are released by the UCI Police Department when certain crimes are reported on or near UCI property, in compliance with federal law. These Crime Alerts provide information about campus safety situations and allow campus community members to take precautions for personal safety.

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