



# CRIME ALERT

## Anderson Hall-Unlawful Entry

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### Incident:

Between January 15 and January 16, the Department of Public Safety received three (3) reports of unlawful entry into residence hall rooms while the occupants slept. In two (2) incidents, laptop computers were stolen. In the other case, a resident awoke to find an unknown male in her room. After the victim made eye contact with the suspect, he exited the room in the direction of the elevators. No injuries have been reported.

### Description of Suspect:

The suspect is described as a Caucasian male between 5' 08" and 5'10" and 18-to 21-years-old. Suspect was also described as being medium build with brown, medium-length hair. The suspect was last seen wearing a dark colored sweatshirt and dark colored pants.

If you have information relating to these incidents, or witness suspicious activity, please call the Department of Public Safety at **202-885-3636** or **911** for the Metropolitan Police Department.

### Safety Tips

To reduce your chances of becoming a victim of theft, follow these three (3) safety tips:

- Do not leave your doors unlocked, even for brief periods of time.
- Do not let anyone follow you into the residence halls, or admit anyone as a guest unless they are your guest.
- Report lost keys to the Department of Public Safety immediately.

### General Tips

- Report any suspicious activity or suspicious individuals to the Department of Public Safety.
- Program AU Public Safety into your cell phone for emergencies: **202-885-3636**.
- Use the **Public Safety Escort Service** while walking on campus at night. To arrange for an escort, call **202-885-2527** or use a blue light or red emergency phone.

*The American University Department of Public Safety (AUDPS) notifies the campus community when crimes are reported to AUDPS or the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) which the University believes represent a continuing threat to its students or employees, in a manner consistent with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. The University uses its best efforts to provide information that is both accurate and helpful, but community members should recognize that the University is able to relay information only as it is reported to AUDPS from MPD. Community members are encouraged to report external incidents to AUDPS to assist in the effective implementation of this program.*

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