For the protection and safety of SU students, faculty, staff and neighbors, the Department of Public Safety releases the following alert:

**Off Campus Robbery**

(Date Issued: 9/3/2014 Case # 14-437250)

**Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at approximately 2:00 a.m. – 800 block of Ostrom Ave**

A student reported being robbed by an unknown male in the 800 block of Ostrom Ave. between Euclid Ave and Stratford Street. The student reports he was walking alone north on Ostrom Ave. when he was approached from behind by the suspect. The suspect put the student in a choke hold and demanded the student’s money. The suspect then pushed the student to the ground and fled on foot and was last seen heading south on Ostrom Ave towards Berkley Drive away from campus. The student did not sustain any injuries.

DPS asks for your help in identifying a suspect if you were in the vicinity at the time of the incident. For this purpose, the following is the description of the suspect: Suspect # 1: male, no further description.

For an interactive map of the incident location, refer to the Google Map link at: [https://www.google.com/maps/ms?msid=214595437229051476012.0004ef76644f4d8bf394c&msa=0](https://www.google.com/maps/ms?msid=214595437229051476012.0004ef76644f4d8bf394c&msa=0)

If anyone has any information regarding this incident or others, please contact the Syracuse Police Department at (315) 442-5222 or the Syracuse University Department of Public Safety at (315) 443-2224. If you would like to anonymously report NON-EMERGENCY information for DPS, you can use the Silent Witness tool, available at [http://publicsafety.syr.edu/html/silent_witness.html](http://publicsafety.syr.edu/html/silent_witness.html)

**FOR YOUR SAFETY, PLEASE REMEMBER:**

- After dark, take advantage of the free safety escort services available through the Department of Public Safety. Both walking and shuttle services are available to students, staff, and faculty at SU or SUNY-ESF. Call 443-SAFE (7233) for more information about these services.
- Take advantage of the CENTRO and Ultimate Arrival bus services. Taxi services are also available.
- Walk, bike or jog in groups of three or more, away from bushes, cars, and other objects a suspect could hide behind.
- Plan your walking travel times by avoiding late to early morning hours.
- Be aware of your surroundings: look and listen. Headphones and cell phones can create tunnel vision.
- Travel in well-lit and populated areas.
- Keep porch lights on at night.
- Don’t approach strangers or let them get close to you.
- If you think someone is following you, switch directions or cross the street. Go toward an open business or lighted house.
- Have your house or car keys in hand before you reach your door.
- Know where campus blue light alarms are and how to use them.
- If someone tries to rob you, don’t resist. Give up your property, not your life.
- If you are in a safe place to do so, attempt to get a description of the suspect(s) and any associated vehicles or license plate numbers.

**IMMEDIATELY** report emergencies or suspicious activities, persons and vehicles.

For Public Safety dial 443-2224 or #78 (from a cell phone); if you are in a situation where you cannot safely make a phone call, send a text message to 711@syr.edu; for Syracuse Police dial 911.

Your quick reporting may help prevent others from becoming victims.

This public safety notice is issued for your safety in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Act.