For the protection and safety of ESF students, faculty, and staff, the ESF University Police release the following alert;

OFF CAMPUS ARMED ROBBERY-REPORTED BY THE SYRACUSE POLICE DEPARTMENT, CASE # 14-583274

TUESDAY DECEMBER 23, 2014 AT ABOUT 7:15 PM – THE 200 BLOCK OF HARVARD PLACE, SYRACUSE

A student reported to the Syracuse Police while walking on Harvard Place, two unknown suspects approached her from behind and robbed her at gun point. The suspects are described as; suspect #1 an African American male, 20-25 years of age, 6’0””, thin build, wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, dark pants, black boots, and wearing a black bandana over his face, suspect #2 an African American male, 20-25 years of age, wearing all dark clothing and a black bandana. The victim stated the suspect allegedly held a handgun to her side and demanded her property. The victim gave them her cell phone and wallet. The victim was not harmed.

Syracuse Police are asking for anyone with information to call them at (315)442-5222.

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 ESF University Police dial 470-6666 or 6667, S.U. Public Safety dial 315-443-2224 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 Clary Act.

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