

SMU AWARE

Student Reports Being Sexually Assaulted in Dedman Center

A student reported to SMU police on Sunday, April 27, 2014, that he was sexually assaulted by another male student about 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 25, 2014, in the men's locker room of Dedman Center for Lifetime Sports.

The victim described the suspect, whose identity is known to police, as about 5 feet, 10 inches tall, about 32 years old, and weighing 145 pounds. He is described as having a swarthy complexion, brown hair, brown eyes, a dark beard and medium-length hair. The suspect was last seen wearing a black and white striped T-shirt and jeans.

The alleged sexual assault is under investigation by the SMU Police Department. Anyone with information about this matter is asked to contact SMU Police at 214-768-3388. Information also may be reported anonymously through the Department's Silent Witness Program by calling 214-SMU-2TIP or online at <http://www.smu.edu/2tip>

IF YOU ARE SEXUALLY ASSAULTED

Know that SMU resources are here to support you:

- **Alert [police](#) as soon as it is safe to do so.** Call 911 or 214-768-3333.
- **Seek medical attention immediately**, even if you decide not to contact police. A certified [Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner](#) at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas can provide care and an exam that preserves evidence; 214-345-6203. [SMU Police](#) can take you to the hospital. An [SMU Counseling and Psychiatric Services](#) representative also can accompany you; 214-768-4795.
- **Preserve evidence before the exam.** Do not bathe, shower or use toothpaste or mouthwash; do not wash clothing, bed sheets, pillows or other potential evidence.
- **Seek support.** For confidential counseling, call [SMU Office of Psychological Services for Women and Gender Issues](#), 214-768-4795 (available 24/7); [SMU Chaplain's Office](#), 214-768-4502; or the [Dallas Area Rape Crisis Center](#), 972-641-7273 (available 24/7).
- Other campus resources here to support you include [SMU Police](#) for criminal reporting; the [SMU Title IX Coordinator](#), who can assist you in pursuing an internal grievance process by filing a complaint under SMU's Title IX policy, 214-768-3601; [Office of the Dean of Student Life](#), 214-768-4564; and [SMU Women's Center](#), 214-768-4792.
- **Learn more** at smu.edu/LiveResponsibly.

TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS

- **If you see something, say something.** Report suspicious people or activities. Call SMU Police or [report anonymously online](#) or at 214-SMU-2TIP.
- **Be responsible with alcohol.** Drink in moderation or not at all. Risk increases significantly when judgment is impaired. Never drink from a container that has been out of your possession. If you or

a friend is in danger due to substance use, or if you think your drink may have been drugged, call 911 and seek medical help immediately.

- **Be aware of your surroundings and don't walk alone after dark.** Giddy-Up offers free rides on campus from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. daily, 214-768-1111. SMU Rides provides service, with fees charged to the rider's SMU ID, 214-768-7433.

LIVE RESPONSIBLY

- **Don't take advantage of others.** [SMU Policy 2.5.1](#) and the federal law [Title IX](#) prohibit sexual violence, including sexual assault. Sexual assault also is a crime punishable by imprisonment. Sexual assault will not be tolerated at SMU.
- **Respect others' limits.** Communicate your expectations on physical contact. "No" means "No," and when uncertain, "No" is always the default answer. Recognize that a person has the right to change his or her mind, and don't use coercion, force or threats.
- **Alcohol use is no excuse.** Intoxication is not an excuse for failure to obtain consent.
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