

## **Crime Alert Update – Suspect Identified      Feb. 20, 2017**

We would like to thank community members for their assistance and information received by the MUPD after the recent crime alert update. An on-duty uniformed MUPD officer observed the suspect walking on campus. The suspect was identified and transported to MUPD for further investigation. The suspect is not affiliated with the University of Missouri. Investigators are currently working with the victim to determine the appropriate course of action.

The University Police Department encourages people who are the victim of any crime on campus to call the University Police Department immediately so we can get you the assistance you need. You can call 573-882-7201 or in an emergency 911. While you can do everything correctly and still be the victim of a crime, MUPD has posted several documents, covering various safety topics to reduce your chances of becoming a victim of crime that can be reviewed and printed at: <http://mupolice.com/mupd/safetytips>.

### **Below is the original crime alert update:**

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#### **Follow-up information on Crime Alert released on Feb. 19, 2017**

Further description of the suspect is a white male, late 20s or early 30s, wearing a black shirt with an unknown design on the front and dark pants (possibly blue jeans), very short light brown or blonde hair (almost a shaved appearance), approximately 5'8" - 5'10", gaps between his front teeth, ears that stick out, clean shaven and a slight southern accent.

In addition to the reported assault on Feb. 19 there were three other similar suspicious incidents; these incidents are not considered crimes. Two of these incidents occurred at approximately 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 19. Both of these incidents occurred near the Virginia Avenue Garage. The same suspect described above engaged in small talk with females, asked to walk with them, and then asked for a hug. No assaults occurred during these incidents.

The third suspicious incident occurred at approximately 4 p.m., Feb. 7, near Hamilton Way and Hitt Street. A similarly described subject engaged in small talk with a female and asked to walk her home. No assault occurred during this incident.

In each of these incidents, the subject has introduced himself by first name, but used a different name each time.

Video footage of the suspect was located. Those pictures can be viewed at:

[www.mupolice.missouri.edu](http://www.mupolice.missouri.edu)

<https://www.facebook.com/MizzouPD/>

<https://twitter.com/MUPDpolice>

Anyone with information of the identity of the suspect is asked to call Detective Easley at 573-884-3721 or CRIME STOPPERS at (573) 875-8477. Individuals also may submit tips online at 875tips.com. Individuals may remain anonymous and may be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,500 if the information leads to an arrest.

**Below is the original crime alert from Feb. 19**

At approximately 2:30 p.m., the University of Missouri Police Department received information of an assault near the Virginia Avenue Housing Complex. A white male – described as wearing a black shirt with an unknown design on the front and dark pants, clean shaven, estimated age to be late 20s, early 30s – approached a female, engaged in small talk, followed her, hugged her, kissed her on the neck and attempted to kiss her on the lips. The female victim resisted and the suspect let her go. The victim was able to walk away unharmed.

MUPD also is investigating a second, similar incident that might have occurred near Virginia Avenue Garage at about the same time and is attempting to get more information at this time.

This information is provided to the community in an effort to keep the community informed of crimes on campus. MUPD encourages all victims of crime to report the incident so they may receive assistance, counseling, and help with the incident in addition to apprehending the suspect and providing accurate crime statistics to the community. While you can do everything correctly and still be the victim of a crime, MUPD has posted several documents, covering various safety topics to reduce your chances of becoming a victim of crime that can be reviewed and printed at:

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