



UPD SAFETY ALERT

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COMMUTER SAFETY INFORMATION:

A few members of our community notified University Police (UPD) that they experienced incidents of either being followed, harassed, or assaulted while coming to or leaving the College. UPD is providing this safety tip to members of the community to ensure that you are always situationally aware of your surroundings.

Date of Incident: Various dates (am/pm)



Safety Warning/Tips:

- Stay alert at all times and be aware of your surroundings. Pay attention to your instincts and senses (it might be a warning about impending danger).
- Use well lit sidewalks, platforms, and stations. Avoid desolate train stations and bus stops, if possible.
- ➡ If someone is bothering or following you, seek a safe location and yell for help. Alternatively, stay next to the help stations or within CCTV camera view.
- Pre-plan and go over what you will do when confronted by such incidents (what ifs scenario)
- Review the NYPD public safety bulletin for more tips and resources
- Immediately report incidents to local police by calling 911 and to UPD.
- **O** More tips and safety information available here: <u>Protect yourself in the Subway</u>.

Resources:

Commuter Safety Resources: Buddy Program, Ridership Reimbursement Program

To Report an incident to UPD: Dial 5566, or use SafeInSight App (iReport tab), or online (UPD website) at Incident Report - SUNY College of Optometry (sunyopt.edu)