September 30, 2022

Columbia College Chicago Community:

Crime Advisory

Campus Security has been informed of two incidents:

The first incident occurred on September 23 on the public way near 37 West Van Buren Street at approximately 5:30 p.m. An unknown person approached an individual and attempted to engage in a conversation. The person then attempted to kiss the individual, pressed their groin against them without consent, provided a telephone number and directed the individual to call them.

The second incident occurred on September 29 on the public way near 30 East Balbo Drive at approximately 4:00 p.m. An unknown person struck an individual on their back after mumbling something incomprehensible and then walked away.

Anyone with additional information should contact Campus Security at 312-369-3220 and the Chicago Police Department Area Three Detective Division at 312-744-8263 referencing police report JF-414144 for the first incident.

## **General Safety Precautions**

- Remain alert.
- Buddy-up: travel in groups through well-lit and high-traffic areas after dark.
- Seek immediate shelter in a public establishment if you feel unsafe.
- Call 911 immediately if you are a victim or witness to a crime and provide a detailed description of the
  offender(s) including any physical/clothing identifiers in addition to any vehicle description and license plate
  information.
- If approached by a witness to an incident, request they remain on scene when possible or obtain contact information.
- Never pursue a fleeing assailant, provide information to the police.
- Inform Campus Security of any crime or safety concern.

## Safety Workshops

Campus Safety and Security and Student Services are hosting the following *Navigating the City with Confidence* student workshops. These workshops include information on both personal safety and active shooter response.

Student Center - 754 S. Wabash Avenue

Friday, October 7, 2022, 12 p.m. -1 p.m. (2nd Floor Board Room)

The Haus: 623 S. Wabash Avenue

Wednesday, October 12, 2022, 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. Wednesday, November 16, 2022, 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.

## SafeRide Program

Columbia provides an after-hours SafeRide Program that is available seven days a week from 6 p.m.–1 a.m. Learn more about how to use the <u>SafeRide Program</u>.

If You See Something, Say Something.

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