



Timely Warning Notification: Hate Crime – Intimidation

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The Jeanne Clery Campus Safety Act (Clery Act) is a federal law that requires colleges and universities across the United States to disclose information about crime on and around their campuses. A requirement of this law is timely notification to the campus community of certain crimes in a manner that will aid in the prevention of similar crimes.

Hate Crime – Intimidation

On May 6, 2026, the University Police Department received a report of a hate crime involving intimidation through a phone scam that occurred between May 4, 2026 and May 6, 2026. The incidents were reported to have occurred both in the VERO building and off-campus.

What happened (in simple terms): Someone used threatening words or actions that caused another person to reasonably fear for their safety. The incident is being investigated as a hate crime because there is evidence the offender targeted the victim because of the victim's actual or perceived race, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnicity, national origin, disability. No physical injury was involved.

To protect yourself and others, we strongly recommend the following precautions:

- Be a good neighbor. If you notice anything suspicious, call 9-1-1 immediately.
- Use campus safety resources such as safety escorts through UPD.
- Download and use the WT Alert emergency notification app, SafeZone.

Additional Support Resources:

- VictimConnect Resource Center (24/7 hate crime victim support): 1-855-484-2846 or victimconnect.org
- WT Counseling Center (confidential support)
- Title IX & Civil Rights Office (for bias-related concerns)