## **Crime Alert**

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The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics 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.

At approximately 8 p.m. 10/17/19, the University Police Department were dispatched to an on campus residential hall. The female victim indicated a male had entered her room demanding to see her roommate. After several requests were made for the male to leave the victim's room, she pepper sprayed him and then called for help. The UPD officers found the suspect in the hall lobby. He is currently a WTAMU student. He was arrested for Burglary of a Habitation and taken to the Randall County Jail. The suspect was trespassed from the residential hall, will face criminal charges, and be subject to violating the WTAMU Code of Student Life.

If you have additional information to provide for this reported incident or any other crime, please call 806-651-2300.

Crime survivors are not responsible for their victimization; perpetrators are accountable for their crimes and the outcomes of their actions. While nothing is failsafe, here are some suggestions everyone may want to consider to help reduce the possibility of becoming a victim of a crime:

- Always lock your door whenever you are inside or leave your room, even if you will only be gone for a moment.
- Do not leave valuables in plain sight.
- *Report suspicious people.*
- Do not let unknown individuals follow you into restricted-access areas.
- Do not let individuals into your residential hall that you are not going to personally escort.
- Create an inventory of your belongings by logging them through "Operation Lockout Theft" at <u>www.wtamu.edu/police</u>