Personal Safety

1. Walk with confidence and at a steady pace; never seem to others that you are lost or confused about your surroundings.

2. If someone grabs your purse or backpack and takes off with it, LET THEM. No object is worth more than your life. Report the crime immediately to the police.

Office Security

1. Never leave your purse or billfold/wallet in plain view or in the pocket of a jacket hanging on a door.

2. Engrave personal property with identifying markings to help you identify it if it is stolen.

3. Do not leave cash or valuables at the office.

4. If you work alone or before or after normal business hours, keep the office door locked.

5. If you work late and are walking out, try to find another co-worker or a TUPD Personal Escort to walk with you to your car.

Tips For Reporting A Crime

1. Crimes involving a Suspect

2. If known, give a complete description of the suspect.
   - Gender, ethnicity, height, weight, hair color, eye color, clothing suspect was wearing, etc.
   - Direction they were last seen traveling.

3. Where and when the incident occurred.

Stolen Property

1. Give a complete description of what was stolen.
   - Model, brand, color, size, cost, etc.
   - If possible try to find out the serial number/model number or any other identifying marking (e.g. Bike, cell phone, laptop, TV, etc.).

2. Date and time the item was last seen.

3. Where and when the incident occurred.

Personal Escorts & RAVE Guardian

Need a personal escort? Contact TUPD and request one now!

Don't want a personal escort? Use RAVE Guardian, your virtual escort. For more information, visit us on the web at: http://tulane.edu/police/guardian.cfm
Safety In Student Rooms, Apartments, and Houses

1. Do not prop open exterior residence doors. Meet the visitors at the door.
2. Remember to always lock your door when you leave and even when you are inside.
3. Avoid leaving messages on your door describing your departing or returning times. This can alert potential thieves to your absence.
4. Refrain from leaving such things as backpacks, laptops, cell phones, or textbooks in unattended communal areas. Even if it is for just a minute, it is all the time a thief needs to take your belongings.
5. Report suspicious people, including door to door salespeople to TUPD.
6. Do not leave large sums of money, jewelry, or valuable items in your room/apartment. Try keeping them out of sight.
7. Do not tamper with door locking mechanisms. Never use tape, pins, etc. to keep the door from locking shut.
8. Lending your keys to someone, even a friend, is a violation of Housing policy.

Renters are more likely to be victims of property crime than homeowners.

In case of emergency dial: 9-1-1

Personal Safety

1. Be aware of your surroundings and the people around you, especially if it’s dark or you are alone.
2. Stay in well-lit areas when walking around campus or from hall to hall.
3. Make eye contact with people when walking, but avoid responding to conversation from strangers.
4. Hold backpacks and other items securely and close to your body when walking.

Bicycles and Vehicles

1. Secure your bike or vehicle at all times.
2. Park your vehicle or bike in well lit areas.
3. When leaving your vehicle, make sure your valuables are out of sight.
4. Always lock your car doors upon entering the car.
5. Have your keys ready when you are going to your car so that you do not linger at your car door.
6. Check the back seat before entering your car
7. If you think another car is following you, drive to a public place.

Never ride a bicycle with headphones on.

Spring/Winter Break

1. When leaving for a holiday or vacation, do not pack your vehicle the night before. It provides potential thieves an irresistible target.
2. Avoid leaving valuable items in your room, including such things as TVs, computers, game consoles, stereos, money, jewelry, etc.
3. Take your bike home or secure it in your room.
4. Draw your shades and use window locks to secure the window.
5. Unplug electrical appliances.

Waiting for the Bus/Shuttle

- Avoid isolated bus stops.
- Do not invite trouble. Keep gold chains out of sight and do not flash your jewelry; turn rings around so that stones do not show.
- Do not open your wallet or purse while boarding the bus; have your pass or money already in your hand.

On the Bus/Shuttle

- During off-hours, sit as close to the bus driver as possible
- Stay alert-- and be aware of the people around you
- Carry your wallet inside your coat, or in a front pocket.
- Keep your hand bag in front of you and hold it close to your body with both hands.
- Tell the bus driver of any suspicious activity!