

## TIMELY WARNING - SEXUAL ASSAULT REPORTED ON CAMPUS

This information is being released in accordance with the federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. The Clery Act requires all colleges and universities that participate in federal financial aid programs to keep and disclose information about reported crimes on and near their respective campuses, including timely warnings of crimes that may represent a threat to the safety of students or employees.

Reported: Thursday/2-23-17/2 PM

Date Occurred: Sunday/2-19-17

Incident Location: MAIN CAMPUS - RESIDENTIAL HALL

**Incident**: It has been reported that an NSU student was sexually assaulted early Sunday morning in a residential hall room on NSU's Fort Lauderdale/Davie campus by a known acquaintance.

## **CRIME PREVENTION:**

Anyone with information about a crime is asked to immediately call: the Davie Police at 954-693-8200 or the NSU Public Safety Department at 954-262-8999.

The only person responsible for sexual misconduct is the perpetrator. It is a violation of university policy to engage in sexual activities without affirmative consent from your partner. Someone incapacitated due to alcohol or drugs cannot consent to sexual activity.

It is estimated that nationwide 20 percent of women and six percent of men experience sexual assault or attempted sexual assault during their college years. Data reveals nearly 50 percent of transgender people experience sexual violence. No matter the demographic, the most common type of sexual assault is not committed by a stranger but by someone known to the victim, typically a date or other acquaintance.

Members of the campus community are always urged to take personal safety precautions such as locking their rooms (even when at home), walking in groups, walking in well-lit and well-travelled areas, and reporting all suspicious persons and activity to NSU Public Safety. The NSU Public Safety Department provides safety escorts on campus 24/7 and can be contacted at **954-262-8999**.

If you feel uneasy about a situation, trust your instincts and attempt to non-violently interrupt events if you feel physically safe to do so. Create a distraction and involve others. Take action to

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change your circumstances and if necessary your environment. Make a commitment to ensure everyone has a safe way home. Being an active bystander doesn't require you put yourself at risk – if you don't feel safe to intervene, remove yourself from situation and call for help. If you believe a crime has been committed, we encourage you to call the police by dialing 9-1-1. To contact NSU Public Safety call **954-262-8999**. If you or a friend has experienced sexual misconduct, please review information about your rights and options available to you under NSU's Title IX/Sexual Misconduct Policy and Procedures at http://www.nova.edu/title-ix.

## **Additional Resources:**

- NSU's Title IX and Sexual Misconduct Policy and Procedures: <a href="http://www.nova.edu/title-ix">http://www.nova.edu/title-ix</a>
- NSU Public Safety: http://www.nova.edu/publicsafety/index.html
- Personal Safety and Prevention Tips: <a href="http://www.rainn.org/get-information/sexual-assault-prevention">http://www.rainn.org/get-information/sexual-assault-prevention</a>