

Crime Alert

Possible Threat to the Community

James Madison University Case Number 2011-009913

6/2/2011

Reported Offense: Assault (Fondling), constituting a Forcible Sexual Offense to have occurred along Carrier Drive near

CISAT A1 at approximately 21:30 hours on 6/1/2011.

Suspect: Described as a black male approximately 25 years old, approximately 5'6' to 5'7" tall with a muscular build and a crew cut style haircut. The suspect was wearing a pair of khaki shorts and no shirt and possibly white tennis shoes.

The complainant advises that she was grabbed from behind while jogging Southbound along Carrier Drive near ISAT A1 at approximately 21:30 hours on 6/1/2011. She stated the suspect grabbed her and attempted to pull her over his shoulders. The complainant stated she struggled with the suspect and was able to get away, running to an emergency telephone and contacted police. JMU police officers arrived in the area immediately after the incident and searched the area with negative results. A description of the suspect and nature of the incident was disseminated to the Harrisonburg Police Department.

The James Madison University Police Department is actively investigating the incident. If you have any information that might be helpful, contact the James Madison University Police by telephone at (540)568-6913 or in person to the James Madison University Police Department at Anthony Seeger Hall. It can be assumed that conditions continue to exist that may pose a threat to members and guests of the JMU community.

The James Madison University Police Department wants you to be aware of your surroundings when walking on campus and become aware of the location of campus emergency and courtesy phones and the option to call for an escort.

JMU and the City of Harrisonburg want to encourage everyone in the Community to exercise good crime prevention strategies all the time and to make these good daily habits. Close and lock all exterior doors and windows at night and anytime the area is left unattended whether it be for 5 minutes or 5 days to go to class, go to the store, visit a friend or leave town for the holiday. Be particularly cautious about leaving ground level doors and windows unsecured and even individual room and office doors in complexes where multiple occupants have access to common areas inside the perimeter of the residential, administrative and academic facilities. This warning also extends to vehicles. Car windows should be up, car doors should be locked and valuable contents should be secured out of sight.

A poster version of this message will be available in PDF at http://www.jmu.edu/pubsafety/IncidentListings.shtml.

Thank You and Stay Safe!