

Buff Alert Timely Warning Notification: Domestic Violence/Dating Violence/Stalking

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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.

DATING VIOLENCE

On September 1, 2020 the University Police Department (UPD) received a 911 call requesting assistance for a female possibly related to dating violence.

The victim reported while being in a vehicle parked on campus; she and a former boyfriend began arguing and fighting. The victim was assisted from the vehicle by two students walking in the area. UPD spoke with both individuals and no arrests were made at the time of the call. Both individuals are WT students. Emergency Medical Services arrived, assessed for injuries, and no transport was necessary. They each received crime victim and domestic violence information. The Title IX office was notified of the reported incident.

STALKING AND DATING VIOLENCE

On September 1, 2020 a student came to UPD to report a property damage. During the interview, the student indicated a former boyfriend that is not a WT student had been following her around campus, exhibiting stalking behaviors making her feel uncomfortable. The Title IX office was notified of the reported incidents.

- Dating Violence includes any behavior that is used to manipulate, gain control, gain power; cause fear, or making a dating partner feel bad about himself or herself.
- Stalking includes any unwanted contact between two people that directly or indirectly communicates a threat or places the victim in fear.
- Bystanders play a critical role in the prevention of sexual and relationship violence. Make the choice to intervene, speak up, or do something about it.
- Believe someone who discloses sexual assault, abusive behavior, or experience with stalking.
- Watch out for friends and fellow students or employees who look like they could be in trouble or need help. Ask if they are ok.