



University of Vermont Police
Lianne Tuomey, Chief of Police
DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICES



ADVISORY

Bear sighted on campus

At approximately 1:30am on Wednesday morning 9/12/12 a student walking in the area of Davis Road on the south end of Coolidge Hall observed a bear near the dumpster in that area. The bear was seen headed south toward the soccer fields. UVM Police Responded to the area but were unable to locate.

If you happen across a bear or other wild animal please remain a safe distance from the animal and call Police Services. If it is safe to do so keep an eye on the animal and provide it's direction of travel.

Do Not:

- **Approach a wild animal or corner it**
- **Feed wild animals**
- **Taunt or agitate**
- **Or place yourself between a wild animal and a baby animal or a food source.**

If you have an **emergency call 911**

If you are a victim of a crime on campus call UVM -Police to Report as soon as possible @ 802-656-3473

Text your **tip** to 847411 (tip411) and include the **keyword UVM** in your message.

UVM Police would like to remind everyone to always have safety in mind by:

- Travel in groups whenever possible
- Stay in well-lit and well-traveled areas when feasible
- Always be aware of your surroundings
- Have emergency numbers programed into your cellular phone
- If you see something out of place or suspicious – call the police *immediately*.

UVM Police urge the UVM community to always be aware of your surroundings while walking or running and avoid being distracted by listening to music or talking on a cell phone, especially at night. If possible walk or run with someone and in well lighted and populated areas. Also be aware of the **emergency blue lights** all over campus and use them in an emergency.

"Crime Awareness" is an integral component of "crime prevention." Knowledge that crimes occur encourages communities to actively participate in crime prevention efforts (e.g., locking doors, not walking alone, reporting suspicious activity to police) and, therefore, creates a safer environment. Lack of information invites complacency. The following message was approved for campus-wide distribution by the Department of Police Services Chief/Director Lianne Tuomey to alert you to an incident, to promote safety on campus and, in part, to comply with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1990.

"Building a safe community through community involvement"

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