

Coyote Safety



FOR INFORMATION ABOUT OTHER CAMPUS SAFETY PROGRAMS, CALL CSU PD AT (909) 537-5165 OR EXT. 7777

The California State University, San Bernardino (CSUSB) is amongst the safest universities in the country. During the last month, the City of San Bernardino has seen an increase in crimes such as vehicle thefts, burglaries and robbery. With the increase of criminal activity surrounding our campus, the University Police Department ask that everyone take an active part by following the Coyote Safety Tips below:

SAFETY TIPS

When walking, biking, or running on the university campus, please take into account the following safety tips:

- *At night*, walk with a friend or group. If you have no one to walk with, call the University's campus escort service at [909-537-7777](tel:909-537-7777).
- Avoid shortcuts. Plan the safest route to your destination; choose well-lighted, busy pathways and streets.
- Familiarize yourself with the layout of the campus.
- Be alert and aware of the people and environment around you.
- Trust your instincts. If someone makes you uncomfortable, even in daylight, do what is necessary to move away from them. Change direction and go to the nearest business or home; knock on the door, and request that someone call the Police. Note the description of the person following you.
- If you feel that someone is following you, go immediately to a nearby location where there are more people.
- Know the locations of the special 'Code Blue' emergency phones on campus.
- Carry your purse close to your body and keep a firm grip on it: carry your wallet in an inside coat pocket or your front pant pocket.
- Keep your keys separate from your purse or backpack.
- Don't overload yourself with bags or packages and avoid wearing shoes that restrict your movements.
- Walk with a confident stride; keep your head up and look around.

When driving and parking on the university campus, please take into account the following safety tips:

- Keep your vehicle locked at all times when it's parked AND when you are driving it. Keep the windows rolled up high enough so that an intruder cannot reach inside.
- When you return to your vehicle, look around it and inside it before you get in.
- If you will be returning to your vehicle at night, park in a place that will be well lit when you return.
- If your vehicle breaks down, remain inside it with the doors locked. If anyone stops to help, ask them to go call a tow truck or the police for you.
- NEVER pick up hitchhikers. This is extremely dangerous.
- Keep valuables (CDs, tapes, purses, briefcases, etc.) out of sight. Lock bags and packages in the car's trunk.

To report an emergency: Dial 9-1-1. For non-emergency or general information, CSUSB Police Department can be reached at [909-537-7777](tel:909-537-7777).

Community Service Officers (CSO) and Escorts: [909-537-7777](tel:909-537-7777). The CSO Program offers a walking/vehicle escort service to and from campus locations. This service is available completely free to students, staff, faculty, and visitors to CSUSB. To request an escort from a trained student CSO, please call [909-537-7777](tel:909-537-7777) shortly before your desired departure time and walk safe.

CSUSB Police believes that your safety is of utmost importance. Please remember that personal safety is your responsibility—do what you think is best under the circumstances. Above all, stay alert and be cautious.