Dear Willamette Community,

As you may know from the emergency notifications issued over the past hour, a concern arose this evening that led the police to request that everyone on campus shelter in place. That concern has now been resolved, and I'm writing to provide as much additional information as is available.

The Salem Police Department report that an incident involving a non-Willamette person began downtown and led to campus, culminating between the Pi Phi and DG sorority houses. The person was apprehended without injuries. The initial report of weapons (knives) was in error, as no knives were found. The person is reported to have been behaving irrationally, and was taken into custody and removed from campus.

So far, all campus events remain on schedule and unaffected. If more or different information emerges, we will convey it to you as soon as possible.

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Early yesterday, Campus Safety officers responded to calls from residents at the Delta Gamma house who reported seeing a man outside holding an object that “could have been a knife.” Officers responded and saw the subject: a dark-haired, white male with a black goatee in a dark grey hooded sweatshirt, jeans and brown shoes. The officers contacted Salem Police and pursued the subject as he fled before Salem Police Department officers arrived.

We’re stepping up patrols in the area and are working with Salem Police Department to facilitate their investigation. If you have further information about this incident, please contact Campus Safety at 503-370-6911, and we will connect you with the appropriate police staff.

As always, please be aware of your surroundings, and don’t hesitate to call Campus Safety if you have any concerns or see suspicious activity.

Sincerely,

Ross Stout  
Director of Campus Safety  
11/10/2015
To help ensure the safety of our campus and provide information that will help community members make informed decisions about how to keep themselves safe, a Timely Warning Notification is being sent to you with details about a crime that occurred on campus last night. These are the details:

At about 12:45 a.m. two women students in the WISH residence hall awoke to a male subject in their room. The subject had put his hands over one student's mouth. Her roommate awoke and startled the intruder who then ran out of the room and fled through a first floor window. Campus Safety and Salem Police were both called and responded to the room. They searched the area around WISH and the adjacent parts of campus, but did not locate the subject. Neither student was physically injured.

The suspect is described as a white male, approximately 20-25 years old, approximately 5'10"-6'0" tall, with a medium build and light colored hair. He was wearing a dark grey or green hooded sweatshirt and a striped hat. Witnesses said that they had not seen this person on campus before.

We want to provide some reminders for good safety practices to help ensure your safety and the safety of our community:

1) Report strangers in your building or other suspicious people on campus to Campus Safety immediately, by calling 503-370-6911, 24 hours a day.
2) Do not prop open exterior doors to any campus buildings.
3) Keep doors to your residence room locked, especially at night.
4) Close and lock all first floor windows when not in use for ventilation, and always at night.
5) If you see something that is a concern to you, tell someone. Contact Campus Safety 24/7/365 at 503-370-6911.

Ross Stout
Director of Campus Safety
10/7/2015

Both before and during the semester break, vehicles have been broken into in campus parking lots. Car windows have been broken and items stolen. This damage and theft is almost certainly by the same individual(s). We need your help to catch these criminals. Call Campus Safety, immediately, if you see suspicious people on campus, especially in parking lots or around bike racks, as bicycle theft has been a recent issue as well. Call 503-370-6911 and report suspicious people or situations. A Campus Safety officer will respond and check out the situation.

Also, while there's no indication that the people's cars who were recently
victimized had left valuables visible, it is always a good practice to make sure that NO ITEMS are visible inside your vehicle. Thieves will often break a window to take items that you think are of little value.

Thanks for helping be the eyes and ears for your community. (1/19/15)

**CAR VANDALISM**: During Winter Break, a number of cars on or near campus were vandalized, having windows broken, though items inside were not stolen. (1/19/15)

**BIKE THEFTS and vandalism**: Some bikes left in racks over the Winter Break were vandalized. Some parts have been stored at Campus Safety. Call 503-370-6911. (1/19/15)