

Safety Tips

Learn and follow college safety and security policies as well as information found in the Student Handbook. These were created out of a concern for your welfare and consideration for the rights of others. Please report any suspicious or criminal activity to campus police or a campus official immediately.

When walking or jogging:

- Go with someone.
- Stay away from isolated areas.
- Stay near well-lit areas.
- Hold your purse or briefcase tightly, close to your body.
- A front pocket is safer for a wallet than a back one.

If you are being followed:

- Cross the street or change directions.
- Keep looking back so the person knows you cannot be surprised.
- Go to a well-lit area. Enter a building, hall, classroom, or library- anywhere there are people.
- Notice and remember as much as possible about the person so you can give a good description later.

If you are held up:

- Don't resist. No amount of money is worth taking chances with your life.
- Notify the campus police or local police immediately. Try to give a description that includes approximate age, height, weight, and details on hair, clothing, jewelry, scars, tattoos anything that is noticeable.

Where you live:

 Program emergency numbers in your phone such as local law enforcement or the campus police department.

- Keep your doors and windows locked day and night.
- Don't let strangers inside.
- Don't leave a door unlocked for someone planning to come back later.

Protect personal and College property:

- Lock doors every time you leave.
- Engrave expensive equipment and valuables with an I.D. number. Engraving tools are available for your use at the campus police department.
- Don't store purses in an unlocked desk drawer or closet.
- Don't leave personal belongings unattended in libraries, hallways, locker rooms, or classrooms.

If you are working late:

- Keep your office door locked.
- Lock all doors behind you when entering or exiting at night.

In a car:

- Keep doors locked while driving.
- Don't pick up hitchhikers.

Protect your car:

- Always lock your car and take the keys.
- Lock valuables in the trunk/out of sight.
- Park in well-lit areas.

VSCC Policies - http://www.volstate.edu/Policies/index.php

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