W Police Department

Community Safety Bulletin

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Earlier today, an off-campus individual was apprehended by The W Police Department and Columbus Police Department.

At 8:21 a.m., a resident advisor from the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science reported a male exposing himself to students behind Fant Memorial Library. After being approached and searched by officers, the suspect fled from campus. The individual did not pose a threat to campus and will be charged by The W Police Department with indecent exposure, false information and resisting arrest. Joshua Elijah Hargrove, age 21, was arrested at 8:50 a.m. Hargove has been banned from campus.

Chief Randy Vibrock expresses his appreciation for the cooperation and assistance from Columbus Police Department.

If you see any suspicious activity or you feel threatened in any given situation, please call The W Police Department at (662) 241-7777 or 911.

W-Alert Reminder- In the event that a situation arises, either on or off campus, that constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat, a campus wide "timely warning" will be issued. The warning will be issued through the University's text messaging system called W-Alert to students, faculty and staff. Take a moment to ensure you are signed up for the W-Alert at www.muw.edu/police/preparedness/walertsignup. Follow W Alerts on Twitter, @TheWAlert.

Crisis Management App- We encourage you to download the Crisis Management App and use it as a reference in the event of an emergency. Please visit www.muw.edu/police/preparedness/app for download instructions.