

Crime Prevention News

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Message from Vice President James F. McShane



I would like to wish each of you a healthy and prosperous New Year and welcome you back to campus for the Spring Semester. Over the past year, many of you have been instrumental in helping to prevent crime on campus and in identifying suspects when crimes have been committed. It is this willingness to be a part of the solution that has been so critical to our shared goal of keeping our community safe.

As we begin 2020, I would like to ask all of you to continue your diligence and to make a concerted effort to eliminate opportunities for criminal activity by keeping a close watch on your property. During the past year, larcenies, particularly thefts of unattended property, accounted for an exceedingly high percentage of all reported crime on our campuses.

You can help to reduce these numbers! Don't leave your possessions unattended in libraries or other public spaces. This is an invitation to theft. Also, please let us know whenever you observe suspicious activity and be aware of your surroundings, especially when talking or texting on a cell phone. For more advice on staying safe, I encourage you to visit the Crime Prevention Tips link on the NYPD website: www.nyc.gov/nypd You can also visit our website at publicsafety.columbia.edu or call our Crime Prevention office at **212-854-8513** for additional information on crime prevention programs geared specifically to the Columbia community.



Public Safety Escort Evening Shuttle Hours Extended

The [Public Safety Evening Shuttle](#) has extended its hours of operation to begin at 4:10 p.m. every day on its two routes. Consult the [website](#) for the route maps and schedule, including [an app that provides real-time, GPS tracking of the shuttles](#).



Current Crime Information & Trends from the N.Y.P.D.

One of the ways in which the N.Y.P.D. provides updates regarding crime trends and other relevant information is through Twitter. Every N.Y.P.D. precinct has a twitter feed containing important information. You can access this information for the various Columbia areas as follows:

- @NYPD24pct** Covers south of West 110 Street
- @NYPD26Pct** Covers the Morningside and Manhattanville Campuses
- @NYPD33pct** Covers the CUIMC Campus
- @NYPD34pct** Covers the Baker Field Sports Complex



The N.Y.P.D. also maintains current crime data on its website. The data is updated weekly and is presented for all the 77 precincts in New York City. All of these resources can be accessed at the following link: <https://publicsafety.columbia.edu/content/current-crime-information-trends-nypd>

Morningside Campus

(212) 854-2797 / Emergencies (212) 854-5555



Manhattanville Campus

(212) 853-3301 / Emergencies (212) 853-3333

CUIMC Campus

(212) 305-8100 / Emergencies (212) 305-7979