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## Clery Crime Alert

### Harassments

Columbia University Public Safety was recently informed of a string of Harassments perpetrated by the same unknown individual. The first incident occurred on Friday, March 20, 2026, at approximately 1:02 AM. Two students reported being followed by the unknown individual while walking near West 116th Street and Broadway. The individual grabbed one of the student's hands before fleeing the area.

The second incident occurred on Monday, March 23, 2026, between 2:23 PM and 2:45 PM. The same individual was observed trespassing into campus at West 116th Street and Broadway. A student reported that the individual attempted to grab their hand in passing. Then, the same individual approached another student in an aggressive manner before leaving the area.

The individual is shown in the photo below.



If you have any additional information about these incidents, please contact Investigator Darren Salinardi at 212-854-2797 and reference Case #26-001001.

#### Harm Reduction Strategies:

- No one is ever responsible for a crime committed against them. The responsibility lies entirely with the perpetrator. If something happens, we encourage you to report it. Reporting helps protect others and ensures you can access support and services. Report the incident to the Department of Public Safety at
  - Morningside: 212-854-2797;
  - Manhattanville: 212-853-3333;
  - Medical Center: 212-305-7979.
- Stay Alert: Be aware of your surroundings, especially when walking alone.
- Walk in groups whenever you can. There is always safety in numbers.
- Trust your instincts. If you feel that you may be in danger, seek out others, a store, or an open CU building that has Public Safety Officers posted. Remember to look for the Red Lion, the logo for the CU Public Safety Safe Haven program, which has screened more than 130 businesses near the Morningside, Manhattanville, and Medical Center Campuses. For more information about the Safe Haven program, please click [here](#).

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