

# UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA MERCED POLICE DEPARTMENT



## Campus Crime Alert Bulletin

**Crime(s):** Attempted Robbery  
**Date:** September 13, 2018  
**Location:** 600 Block of W. 18<sup>th</sup> Street  
**Case #:** Merced Police Department Case #2018-00052646  
**Suspect(s):** Unknown  
**Incident(s):**

On 09/13/2018 at approximately 11:33 AM, the Merced Police Department responded to a report of an assault on the 600 block of W. 18<sup>th</sup>, near the Downtown Campus Center. On 9/20/2018, the University Police received the police report indicating the incident was later classified by Merced Police Department as an attempted robbery.

The suspect was described as an older male in his 40s or 50s, approximately 5' 8" tall and 180 lbs with gray curly hair, wearing a white t-shirt, gray pants and black shoes. The suspect approached and demanded the victim turn over her bag, at which time she turned and ran away. Responding police officers were unable to locate the responsible. The victim, who was not injured, believes the suspect may frequent the Courthouse Park area.

### Safety Tips:

- Make sure that someone knows you're going out, who you will be with and when you expect to return.
- If you feel uncomfortable about a person or a situation, try to remove yourself as quickly as possible from the situation and call law enforcement if necessary.
- If you're out for a walk, use paths with busy traffic and if possible have your cell phone with you in case you need help.
- Safety escorts are available at DCC and all other UC Merced locations by calling Police Dispatch 209-228-2677 to request a safety escort. Police staff will respond to your location and provide you with a safety escort.

***Report all suspicious persons and activity or information regarding this case to the UC Merced Police Department immediately at CAT-COPS (209-228-2677)***

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**Report in progress crimes by calling 9-9-1-1**

Cell Phones: 9-1-1

Non-Emergency – CAT COPS (209-228-2677)