CONTENT WARNING: This notice contains information on an assault that may cause distress to some individuals.

In compliance with the federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, a Crime Notice is being issued for a reported rape.

REPORTED OFFENSE: On December 12, 2019 at approximately 2:30 p.m. the IUPD received a report of a rape. It was reported that the suspect approached the victim while the victim was at their vehicle and forced the victim into the car. The suspect then assaulted the victim.

TIME AND LOCATION OF OFFENSE: This incident occurred on November 14, 2019 at approximately 2:00 a.m. in the 400 block of Porto Alegre St.

SUSPECT: The identity of the suspect is unknown at this time and was also unknown to the victim.

SAFETY TIPS: Sexual assault can happen to anyone. Each member of the IUPUI community shares in the responsibility to create and maintain a safe and respectful environment for all individuals. You can help reduce the risk of sexual assault by watching out for the safety of others. While not all crimes of sexual violence are alike, the following information may be helpful:

- Consent – Anyone initiating any kind of sexual contact with another person must obtain their consent. Consent is an agreement or permission expressed through affirmative, voluntary words or actions that are mutually understandable to all parties involved. Consent cannot be given by someone who is incapacitated by the use of alcohol and/or drugs. Consent can be withdrawn at any time. Consent cannot be coerced or compelled by force, threat, deception or intimidation.

- Personal Safety – Always let someone know where you are going and when you expect to return. Be aware of your surroundings. Avoid walking alone whenever possible. Use well-lit, regularly traveled walks and pathways, especially at night. Avoid shortcuts and keep away from shrubbery, bushes, alleyways, or any other poorly-lit area where an assailant might be lurking. Keep your ears clear of headphones and your hands free of packages or bags. Report suspicious behavior, even if you are not being directly threatened. IUPD is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to provide a safety escort. Call 317-274-7233(SAFE) and someone will come to walk you to wherever you need to go.
Perpetrators may use social media platforms to meet potential victims. Be cautious on what you share and how you use social media. Perpetrators often use drugs and/or alcohol to target potential victims. Date rape drugs are tasteless, colorless, odorless, can be ingested in a multitude of forms, and effects are not immediately apparent. Be cautious of any substance you are drinking, eating or inhaling that you have not personally prepared and has not remained in your constant control.

- Bystander Intervention – Look out for each other. If one of you cannot be with a group of trusted friends, tell each other where you are going, whom you will be with, when you expect to return, and that you’ll contact them if anything changes. If you see someone in trouble, safely intervene or call the police immediately.

- The perpetrator, not the survivor, is responsible for any instance of sexual assault.

Anyone with information on this crime or any other crime is encouraged to call the IU Police Department – IUPUI at 317-274-7911.

You may also call Crime Stoppers at 1-317-262-TIPS(8477).

If additional information or updates are released, they will be posted to http://emergency.iu.edu

For more information on sexual violence prevention and resources, see http://stopsexualviolence.iu.edu

Additional safety tips can be found at: https://protect.iu.edu/police-safety/safety-prevention/index.html

Download the IU Rave Guardian Safety App. For more information visit: https://protect.iu.edu/news/iu/2019/guardian.html

Crimes are identified using the terminology from the Clery Act. Additional information on the Clery Act, including definitions of crime terms can be found at: https://protect.iu.edu/police-safety/clery/index.html

Update your information on the IU Notify page to receive the most up to date notifications. Instructions for how to update your contact information are found at: https://kb.iu.edu/d/avwp