IN AN EFFORT TO PROVIDE TIMELY AND ACCURATE INFORMATION TO OUR STUDENTS, STAFF, AND FACULTY MEMBERS, THE FOLLOWING FACTS ARE PROVIDED:

**CAMPUS INCIDENT**
Rape
Residence Hall, east side of campus

The UT Police Department received a Campus Security Authority (CSA) report on February 4, 2015 of a rape that occurred on January 30, 2015. A female reported a male non-stranger raped her in a residence hall room.

The victim advised she did not wish to file a police report at this time, and the exact location of the incident will be withheld to protect the victim’s identity.

**Safety Tips:**

- 75-80% of sexual assaults are committed by a non-stranger, classmate, friend, partner, or (ex) partner (Krebs, et al., 2007). Never assume that you cannot be assaulted by someone because of your relationship with them.
- Alcohol and drugs are often used to create vulnerability to sexual assault. Studies of sexual assault incidents show a high correlation between non-stranger rape and drug/alcohol usage. Be alert to people pressuring you or others to use alcohol or other drugs.

To get involved in making UT safer for everyone become an active bystander - visit [http://volunteersspeakup.utk.edu](http://volunteersspeakup.utk.edu) and learn how you can “Speak UP!” for your volunteer community #VOLSHELPVOLS

**Consent:**

The university’s interim policy on sexual misconduct and relationship violence defines “consent” as the knowing and voluntary communication, through words and/or conduct, of an agreement to engage in a particular act, including without limitation a particular act of sexual contact or sexual intercourse. More information on this policy can be found at [http://sexualassault.utk.edu](http://sexualassault.utk.edu)

Consent is never implied by a person’s attire, reputation, consumption of alcohol or drugs, previous consent to sexual acts, or your relationship to the person. Sexual assault is never the victim’s fault. The only person responsible for sexual misconduct is the perpetrator.

If you engage in sexual activity, be sure you understand your partner's limits, and communicate your own limits clearly. Don't engage in sexual activities without affirmative consent from your partner.

Even if you are under the influence of alcohol or drugs, you are still responsible for obtaining consent from the other person before initiating sexual contact.

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The Clery Act requires the university to notify the campus community of certain criminal activity that occurs on University owned or controlled property. In addition, the University is required to provide safety tips that may aid in the prevention of similar crimes. The intent of a warning regarding a criminal incident(s) is to enable individuals to protect themselves. For further information on the Clery Act: [http://utpolice.utk.edu/clery-act/](http://utpolice.utk.edu/clery-act/) or [http://clerycenter.org/](http://clerycenter.org/)