

SHSU Police Department Public Safety Awareness

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY



ON-CAMPUS RESOURCES

SHSU University Police Department

936-294-1794

936-294-1000 (Emergency on-campus)

shsu.edu/dept/public-safety

Student Health Center

936-294-1805

shsu.edu/~uhc_www/

Dean of Student's Office

936-294-1785

shsu.edu/~slo_www/

Counseling Center

936-294-1720

shsu.edu/dept/counseling

Alcohol & Drug Abuse Initiative (ADAI)

936-294-2228

shsu.edu/dept/adai

OFF-CAMPUS RESOURCES

Huntsville Police Department

936-291-5480

<http://huntsvillepolice.com>

Walker County Sheriff's Office

936-435-2400

co.walker.tx.us/departments/?fDD=16-0

Walker County Public Safety Communications Center

936-435-8001

Counseling Center

936-294-1720

shsu.edu/dept/counseling

SAAFE House- Huntsville

936-291-3369/ 936-327-2513 (24hr Crisis Line)

936-291-3529 (Office)

saafehouse.org



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PERSONAL SAFETY TIPS

- Be aware of your surroundings. If you are concerned about your safety, ask a friend to accompany you or talk to a friend on the phone while you walk.
- Trust your instincts. If you feel uncomfortable in a place or situation, leave the area.
- Always carry a cell phone or way to contact someone in case of emergencies. Know whom to call.
- Do not give your name, phone number, address or any other personal information to a solicitor or stranger.
- Avoid dark or dimly lit areas when walking or parking a vehicle at night.
- Keep your doors and windows locked at all times (day or night), even, when you are at home.
- Make sure that you are aware of your environment. It is advisable to familiarize yourself with buildings and landmarks on/off campus.
- Advise the police immediately of any suspicious person or circumstance.
- Keep your friends and family informed about where you are and who you are with.

SHSU University Police Escort Service

936.294.1794

In the interest of safety of the faculty, staff, students and visitors to the campus, we provide an Escort Service. This service is available 24 hours a day to all persons going to on-campus destinations.





“Our mission is to provide a safe environment on campus that is conducive to foster a student’s successful development and education.”

SEXUAL ASSAULT/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TIPS

- Report incidents of dating violence, domestic violence, and sexual violence to the police **as soon as possible**.
- It can happen to anyone, regardless of age, race or gender.
- If you become a victim, it is not your fault.
- Practice responsible drinking so you don't have to rely on others to take care of you.
- Never leave an establishment or party with anyone you do not know. If you do meet someone or go out with someone, get their first and last name, and be able to identify them.
- Take precautions at night. Walk with a friend, and/or utilize the campus escort program.
- If you or someone you know is a victim of sexual or domestic violence, safety and medical assistance are top priority.
- Dating violence includes one or more of the following forms of abuse: physical abuse, sexual abuse, and emotional/verbal abuse.
- Domestic Violence situations have a tendency to escalate over time- **Do Not ignore or overlook it the first time it occurs.**

What should I do if I am sexually assaulted?

- Seek medical attention.
- Report the incident to the police. An anonymous “John/ Jane Doe” report may be filed.
- Preserve evidence if possible; i.e., do not change clothes, shower, comb hair, brush teeth, etc.
- Contact crisis and counseling services either on or off campus. (see back for contact information)

ALCOHOL AWARENESS

- Set a limit on how much you will drink before you start.
- Never leave your drink unattended or accept drinks from others.
- Designate a driver, carpool, use a safe driver program, or call a taxi.
- Don't go out alone. Go with a group you know well, and watch out for each other.
- Eat a good meal before drinking.
- Spread your drinks out by drinking water or other non-alcoholic beverages.

Signs of Alcohol Poisoning:

Call 911 if you see any of these signs.

- Fevers or chills.
- Difficulty standing or walking.
- Unconsciousness or semi-consciousness.
- Poor awareness of surroundings.
- Vomiting while unconscious or semi-conscious.
- Difficulty breathing.

Will I get in trouble for calling the police to request help if I am intoxicated?

No, a minor who contacts medical services or the police to request medical services for an intoxicated individual is exempt from legal prosecution. The individual must be the first person to call and must cooperate and remain on scene until medical assistance arrives. (Reference: TABC: Ch. 106.04(e))

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY CONTACT 911

PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY

SHSU University Police Property Registration
shsu.edu/dept/public-safety/upd/propreg.html

This registration form allows you to register any electronic products that you may have (Laptops, Ipods, tablets, phones, televisions, stereos, car stereos). By registering your items, the University Police Department will maintain a database for all of these registered products. Should you ever become a victim of a theft or burglary; the department will be able to provide either the officer or any other agency with the necessary information.

Tips:

- Do not leave any items of value in your car.
- Lock the doors and close the windows on your vehicle or residence.
- Valuable items left in your vehicle should be placed in the trunk or in compartments out of sight.
- Do not leave backpacks, purses or wallets unattended.
- Lock your bicycle with a case hardened steel lock and chain.
- Record make, model, serial number, value and description of all items.
- If an item does not have a serial number, engrave or mark your property with an identifiable number, (i.e., your driver's license number, example: TX 1234xxxx).
- Law enforcement can only enter items in a local and national crime database if a serial number or owner applied number is on the stolen item.
- Smaller items that cannot be marked (such as jewelry) take color photographs of the item and mark the description and value of the item.