Risk Reduction

Sacramento State is committed to maintaining a safe campus for all members of the University community. With this in mind, Sacramento State suggests the following tips for keeping our community safe and reducing personal risk.¹

- Be an active bystander. If you see something that doesn’t seem right, intervene if you can do so safely, and report the incident to campus authorities.
- Walk in groups or pairs when you are out at night. Consider carrying a flashlight, whistle, pepper spray, and/or cell phone when you go out.
- Program the Sacramento State Police Department’s dispatch number, (916) 278-6000, into your phone.
- Learn the location of the nearest emergency “blue” phones on your walking routes through the campus.
- Utilize the Hornet Night Shuttle, (916) 278-7260, or contact the Sacramento State Police Department for an escort when on campus at night.
- Always be aware of your surroundings, and always know where you are.
- Watch for suspicious people or vehicles, and go to a place of safety if approached by a suspicious person or vehicle.
- Never be afraid to make noise if you are attacked; yell, scream, and try to attract attention. The last thing an attacker wants is to have someone take notice.

¹ These tips also appear in Timely Warning Messages to the campus in response to crime reports that meet the standard required by the Clery Act. For more information on the campus’s adherence to Clery, please visit https://www.csus.edu/campus-safety/_internal/_documents/clery/clery_report.pdf