

SAFETY NOTIFICATION

SCE WILSHIRE CENTER, FULLERTON COLLEGE

(December 12, 2014) On December 11, 2014, a Placentia man was arrested by the Fullerton Police Department on suspicion of a series of acts of sexual battery toward several women. His actions are believed to have started on a public bus en route to Fullerton College and the School of Continuing Education (SCE) at about 8:30 a.m. The string of incidents ended at the Fullerton bus station on Commonwealth Avenue at 9:15 a.m. where he was detained.

At approximately 8:30 a.m. the suspect, Daniel Gomez, 26, while on a public bus, assaulted two SCE students by grabbing them and attempting to pull each of them in closer to him. The students pushed him away and reported the incident to a faculty member when they arrived to campus. The faculty member then reported the incident to the Fullerton College Campus Safety Department by about 9:15 a.m.

At 8:45 a.m., Campus Safety received a separate report that the same suspect was seen harassing a female by the Fullerton College bookstore. The responding campus safety officer saw Gomez put his hand over the shoulder of a female, and she immediately removed it as if the touching was unwelcomed. When the suspect saw the campus safety officer, he ran westbound across the Sculpture Garden and continued south toward the Fullerton Museum on Pomona Avenue.

The campus safety officer contacted the Fullerton Police Department and followed the running suspect in a campus safety vehicle. The campus safety officer saw the suspect commit a sexual battery to a female near the museum. The suspect then fled to the bus station where he was detained by Fullerton Police Department officers at 9:15 a.m. The suspect was arrested on charges of sexual battery. He was also issued a trespass notice.

If you have any information regarding this incident, please contact the Fullerton Police Department at (714) 738-6800 or the Fullerton College Campus Safety Department at (714) 992-7777 or (714) 992-7080 ext. 0.

Fullerton College and SCE take safety seriously and encourage all students, faculty, and staff members to immediately report incidents or suspicious behavior. Students, faculty, and staff members are encouraged to adhere to safety tips such as walking in groups and utilizing campus safety escorts, who are available at all times to assure safety on campus and in parking lots. Campus safety emergency direct phone numbers:

- Fullerton College Campus Safety: 714-992-7777
- SCE Wilshire Center (Fullerton College Campus Safety): 714-992-7777

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