

On October 12, 2015, Vanderbilt University Police Department was notified by the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department of a robbery that occurred in early evening off campus near Centennial Park and the intersection of 25th Avenue N. and Brandau Place. A student was walking back to her apartment from campus when someone ran up to her, grabbed her purse and pushed her to the ground. A witness told police the suspect's car appeared to be a small four-door vehicle.

The suspect seen leaving the area was described as an African American male, approximately 6-foot tall, with close-cut hair and wearing blue and white clothing. The vehicle was described as a black four-door compact, possibly, missing a hubcap from the right front tire.

Risk Reduction Tips:

- Avoid isolated or dark areas
- If a stranger does approach, maintain a distance and be observant; if they are in a vehicle, get the license plate number.
- Stay alert -- If you feel uneasy, leave the area. Go to a safe location and notify VUPD.
- Report any suspicious persons to VUPD. Be prepared to describe the person as best as you can.