Sexual Assault (Rape)

NOTE: This Crime Alert contains information that can be difficult to review. The Clery Act requires that we share this information for safety purposes. Please see the Support Resources below and take care of yourself as needed.

On 2/26/2024 at approximately 11:57 AM, the NAU Police Department received a report that a victim was sexually assaulted in an on-campus student housing facility during the evening of 2/17/2024. The suspect is known to the victim. The suspect and victim met on an online dating application and were meeting for the first time the day of the sexual assault.

Due to the serious nature of this report, the NAU Police Department would like to alert the campus community of this incident. No further details are available at this time.

If you or someone you know has been sexually assaulted, or if you aren’t sure whether you or someone you know has been sexually assaulted, there are a number of resources available to you at NAU to inform you of your options and to support you in whatever path you choose to take in addressing the incident. For Support Resources, please visit: https://in.nau.edu/title-ix/resources/

SAFETY TIPS

- Consent is required by all parties per Arizona law to engage in sexual activity and may be revoked at any time.
- If you feel like you have been sexually abused or assaulted, call the NAU Police Department immediately.
- For more safety tips, download the NAU SAFE app. Visit https://in.nau.edu/its/nausafe/.
- If you choose to use a dating application to meet others, following these tips could help a relationship begin on a healthy note:
  - Request that your first or first couple of dates are in public places and not at either of your homes or friend's homes.
  - Discuss boundaries and mutually permissible and unacceptable activity early and certainly before any alcohol or consumption of other substances.