

Columbia University
Department of Public Safety

SECURITY ALERT

ASSAULT

On April 10, 2009, at about 3:30 a.m., a student reported being accosted on W. 114 St. between Broadway and Amsterdam Ave. as she was walking to her apartment house. The suspect walked up behind her and asked her for a cigarette. When she told him she didn't have one, he pushed her down to the ground from behind. When the victim screamed, the suspect backed away, and she was able to leave the area and reach her apartment. The suspect is described as:

Male/black/dark complexion/early 20's/5'6"-5'7"/ stocky build/dark green jacket/striped shirt/dungarees/wearing a do-rag.

The suspect remained in the general area after the incident, and walked westbound towards Broadway, accompanied by a female who exited Ruggles Hall. The suspect was last observed walking south on Broadway, at W. 113 St.

If you have any information about this suspect, or see anyone fitting his description, notify Columbia University Public Safety immediately at 212-854-5555.

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