

Crime Prevention and Education Programs

The crime prevention program currently in place at UTMB consists of the following services:

Escort Programs: The UTMB Police Department provides escort service ("Safety Watch") for persons walking on campus, from dusk to dawn, to on-campus locations.

Crime Prevention Presentations: Crime prevention presentations are held for employees, commuter students, students with disabilities, international students, student government, faculty and staff organizations, specific campus departments, and recognized student organizations. Crime prevention presentations are held annually as part of each scheduled student orientation.

Programs offered throughout the year by the UTMB Police Department consist of Rape Aggression and Defense (RAD), Bicycle Registration, building Security Surveys and Safety Escort program. Brochures and other printed materials urging security awareness are distributed at all presentations. This information is also available at the UTMB Lee Hage Jamail Student Center, UTMB School of Health Professions and Nursing, UTMB Moody Medical Library and the UTMB Police Department.

Electronic Alarm Systems: A sophisticated, computer-based, electronic monitoring system monitors a comprehensive network of intrusion detection and duress alarm systems.

Architectural Design: Technical and crime prevention specialists of the UTMB Police Department have significant input into the design of the physical and electronic security systems of all new and renovated campus facilities.

Security Surveys: Comprehensive security surveys or audits are made for a number of campus facilities throughout the year. Surveys of exterior lighting and of exterior doors and grounds are conducted weekly by patrol officers and guards.

Contact Card Interviews: In an effort to improve campus safety officers meet one-on-one with student, staff, and faculty members to gather and document information concerning each member's feelings about campus safety.

Operation Identification: Operation Identification, the engraving of owner-recognized numbers on items of value, is strongly promoted for University students and employees. Engraving tools are available for use upon request at the UTMB Police Department free of charge.