Lock Your Doors

This is the single best deterrent to the would-be thief. Doors left unlocked, for just one minute, are a great risk. It takes about eight seconds to remove valuables from an unlocked room.

Many thefts occur while the occupant is on the same floor, having left for one minute, to use a bathroom or visit a neighbor.

Lock valuables in a cabinet, closet or drawer with a good security lock.

**KEEP YOUR KEYS!**

- Do not loan keys to anyone; their carelessness may lead to your loss.
- Do not ID key rings with your address; duplicates can be used at a later date.
- Do not leave keys lying around or in unused clothing; duplicates can be made.
- Keep keys immediately ready, in hand, when arriving at a car or residence.
- If lost or stolen, notify University Police or issuing agent immediately.
- Do not prop doors open or jam locks for intended visitors. You may be responsible for serious crime or harm to others. It is your responsibility to keep your area secure.

**WHEN YOU DRIVE:**

- **Do not** pick up hitchhikers.
- Keep doors locked; be alert at traffic stops.
- Do not lower windows for strangers; demand credentials.
- If stalled, ask for aid through a cracked window; remain in vehicle.
- Travel well-lit streets.

**WHEN YOU WALK:**

- Do not walk alone, especially at night. Use the escort service (226-2075)
- Do not take shortcuts: travel well-lighted, busy routes.
- If followed, change directions, head for lights and people.
- Trust your instincts. Run and/or scream if necessary. Escape a dangerous situation at the first opportunity.

**WHEN YOU PARK:**

- Remove keys.
- Close and lock windows and doors.
- Keep all valuables out of sight; use the trunk.
- Choose a well-lit area to park at night.
- When returning to your vehicle, have keys ready in hand and check interior before entering.