**Personal Safety**

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1. **Outside Afterhours**
2. Seek out and take advantage of escort opportunities.
3. Walk with another/others: safety in numbers.
4. Walk confidently, quickly, and with a purpose.
5. Head up, ears on: be aware of your surroundings.
6. Keys in hand.
7. Personal security alarms: https://www.vigilantpps.com/collections/personal-alarm
8. Weapons? Pepper spray: https://www.sabrered.com/
9. Evidence of tampering/entry? Exit the area right away and contact authorities.
10. Check that back seat before you get in the car!
11. Roll up all windows and lock all doors.
12. If you do have to fight, there are no rules. **Scream, scratch,** **strike, kick, attack “soft targets.”**
13. **WashU Safe Smartphone App**

Washington University has implemented a safety app called WashU Safe. This app is free and available at the App Store and Google Play.

Washington University previously used the Noonlight (formerly SafeTrek) app to support safety on campus. With the implementation of WashU Safe, Washington University no longer sponsors community members’ Noonlight subscriptions.

WashU Safe offers multiple safety features to enhance your personal security on campus.

*Friend Walk*: This option allows you to send an email or text message to a friend of your choice to let them know you are on your way to a destination. Your friend can track your location in real time and ensure you reach your destination safely. If something interferes with you reaching your destination, your friend can notify authorities without delay.

*Mobile Bluelight*: If an emergency occurs on campus, simply tap the WashU Safe app Mobile Bluelight button on your phone. Doing so will immediately connect you to Washington University dispatchers and report your exact location. This feature serves as your portable security intercom and allows for quicker responses by police and security personnel.

*Safety Notifications*: If you allow push notifications from the WashU Safe app, you will receive notifications regarding safety and security issues on campus. WashU Alerts are among the safety and security notifications that will be transmitted to you via the WashU Safe app.

The WashU Safe app has other useful features, including maps, access to the campus crime log, and access to emergency procedures. We strongly encourage you to download this free app and help take control of your safety on campus!