This crime alert is to inform the university community about an off-campus robbery that occurred at the intersection of Alder St. and South Highland Avenue. The victim is affiliated with CMU.

At approximately 9:15 p.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2015, the victim was walking near the intersection of Alder St. and South Highland Ave. Four suspects approached him from behind, pushed him to the ground, and repeatedly kicked him causing lacerations and contusions. The suspects fled on foot toward South Highland Ave. after the incident. The victim’s phone was missing and is believed to have been taken during the robbery.

The suspects were wearing surgical masks and all four are believed to be males. One suspect was wearing beige pants. No other description was provided.

The Pittsburgh Bureau of Police is investigating this incident.

Prevention and Safety Tips:

- Stay alert to your surroundings at all times.
- Use the University Shuttle/Escort Service when possible. (http://www.cmu.edu/police/shuttleandescort/)
- Use SafeWalk when possible. (http://www.studentaffairs.cmu.edu/student-life/student-organizations-and-programs/safewalk/)
- Stay close to friends and do not interact with strangers.
- Do not approach suspicious persons or vehicles.
- Avoid using devices that impair your hearing or sight while walking.
- Report any suspicious incidents, persons or vehicles to Campus Police at 412-268-2323, or off campus to the Pittsburgh Police at 911.

Chief Tom Ogden
University Police