This crime alert is to inform the university community about a robbery in the 5700 block of Elwood Street near South Negley Avenue in Shadyside. The victim is not affiliated with CMU, but was in the company of a person affiliated with the university when the robbery occurred.

At approximately 11:20 p.m., Tuesday, July 21, the victim was walking on Elwood Street approaching his apartment building. As the victim and friend started to enter the building, two males got behind them and one of them placed a handgun against the victim’s stomach ordering him to surrender his cellphone. The suspects then made the victim unlock his cellphone. The suspects also took his wallet then fled on foot toward Rosary Way.

The suspects are described as black males, between 14 and 18 years of age, 130 lbs., small, thin builds, with medium dark complexions. Both were armed with black semi-automatic handguns. Suspect one was wearing a black hoodie, red shirt and dark baggy pants. Suspect two was wearing a gray hoodie, white shirt and black baggy pants. Both had their shirts pulled up over part of their faces.

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/](http://www.cmu.edu/police/shuttleandescort/))
- 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