This crime alert is about five armed robberies that have occurred off campus in the Shadyside and Oakland areas of Pittsburgh. The victims include members of the Carnegie Mellon community. The nature and frequency of these robberies are of great concern, and members of our community should be aware of them and take every precaution to remain safe.

**Incident One:** 11:15 p.m., Monday, Jan. 16 at Bellefonte and Elmer streets in Shadyside.

The victim was robbed at gunpoint by two suspects described as black males, 20-21 years of age, wearing ski masks. Suspect one was described as 5’9” and 130 lbs. Suspect two was described as 5’7” and 120 lbs. The suspects were looking for laptops and cell phones. They fled on foot following the robbery.

**Incident Two:** 12:20 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 18 at Maryland Ave. and Elmer St. in Shadyside.

There were two suspects. Suspect one was described as a white male wearing a black bandana, armed with a silver handgun. Suspect two could not be described. Suspect one forced the victim to empty their pockets and fled on foot following the robbery.

**Incident Three:** 6:43 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 19 at Forbes Ave. and Bigelow Blvd. in Oakland.

There were two suspects described as black males. Suspect one was described as 6’0” with an average build, wearing a dark coat. Suspect two was described as 5’8” with a slender build. A handgun was used and electronic devices were targeted.
**Incident Four:** 11 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 19 at Walnut St. and College Ave. in Shadyside.

There were two suspects described as black males. Suspect one was described as 5’10” and 180 lbs., wearing a knit cap and displaying a black handgun. Suspect two was described as 5’10” and 180 lbs. with a silver handgun. Both suspects were wearing dark clothing. The suspects were looking for a wallet and valuables and fled on foot following the robbery.

**Incident Five:** 11:24 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 19 at Amberson Ave. and Pembroke Place near Shadyside.

There was one suspect described as a black male with a light to medium complexion, thin moustache, 5’10” and 160 lbs. The suspect was wearing a ski mask, a black jacket and jeans, and brandished a small black handgun. The suspect was looking for electronic devices and valuables. He fled on foot following the robbery.

The Pittsburgh Bureau of Police is investigating these incidents.

Incidents such as these highlight the necessity to be cautious and alert to your surroundings at all times.

**Prevention and Safety Tips:**

- Use CMU’s Shuttle/Escort Service if at all possible ([http://www.cmu.edu/police/shuttleandescort/](http://www.cmu.edu/police/shuttleandescort/))
- Do not walk alone at night.
- Do not walk with earphones that impede your ability to hear around you.
- Do not carry large sums of cash or valuables with you.
- Do not resist if being robbed.
- Report any suspicious incidents, persons or vehicles to Campus Police at 412-268-2323 or to the Pittsburgh Bureau of Police at 911.

Chief Tom Ogden  
University Police

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