



# Santa Monica College Police Department



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## Timely Warning – Crime Alert – 9/22/2022

**This information has been shared yesterday with all enrolled student via Blackboard Connect**

SMCPD received information of a subject who has been befriending female SMC students near the outdoor tables located south of Drescher Hall. Once the subject befriends the victim, he then lures the individual off campus with the pretense of “hanging out.” The subject then sexually assaults the victim. The suspect is described as a male black, 5’9, approximately 135 pounds with short black hair and black eyes.

These incidents are currently under investigation by the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department and SMCPD. If you have encountered anything similar please call SMC Police Department at 310-434-4300 and ask for a supervisor or email [SMCPD@smc.edu](mailto:SMCPD@smc.edu)

SMC PD would like to remind the campus community to:

- Report any suspicious activities to the police
- Be aware of your surrounding

Always dial 9-1-1 in the event of an emergency. If you are on calling from a campus phone or cell phone and need to contact SMC PD dial 310-434-4300 or x4300 from a campus phone.

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## Suspect in Custody – 9/26/2022

Today at approximately 8:20 a.m. Christopher Noah Griddine II, age 27 was taken into custody on a probable cause arrest warrant for felony sexual assault. The arrest was made on the SMC Campus by the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department with the assistance of the Santa Monica College Police. Mr. Griddine was transported to South Los Angeles Sheriff’s Station with a bail of \$1,000,000. Booking number 6471502.

This is an active investigation being conducted by the Sheriff’s department questions about the case should be directed to them. Should you have any information that would assist with this investigation, you are encouraged to call Sergeant Belen Lemus of the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department’s Special Victims Bureau at 562-946-7012.

We strive to be one of the safest colleges in California and that the alleged actions of this arrested individual are not indicative of the behavior or conduct of those in our community. Santa Monica College is a safe, inclusive and dynamic learning environment that supports academic programs and services intended to serve diverse individuals from local, national and global communities. We recommend that members of the College Community download the LiveSafe safety app and report any suspicious activity to the police.