The following information was reported from the Gainesville Police Department (GPD) today and is being distributed to the campus community due to the crime’s close proximity to the University of Florida campus:

The GPD is currently investigating the occurrence of a theft that took place on Tuesday, April 08, 2014 at approximately 3:15 p.m. The incident took place at 1423 West University Avenue.

According to information provided by the GPD, the victim stated that a black male in his 20’s met with the victim to purchase an Ipad. During the meeting, the suspect stated that he didn’t bring his wallet and then fled with the victims Ipad.

The suspect is described as tall with a medium build wearing a black shirt and red pants and athletic shoes. The victim could not advise which direction the suspect fled in.

Anyone with information about the incident or who may know the man’s identity is asked to call the Gainesville Police Department at 352.955.1818 or text keyword GPDFL plus your tip to 274637 (CRIMES). Those who wish to remain anonymous can call Crime Stoppers at 352.372.STOP (7867).
Report suspicious activities or individuals immediately using 9.1.1

Be cautious when selling items to unknown persons and ensure you can positively identify the person to law enforcement if necessary.

The UFPD firmly believes that crime is never the fault of the victim. These general safety tips are provided in an effort to assist members of the UF community.

For questions regarding information contained in this release, please contact Major Brad Barber at (352) 273-3309. If after hours, please call (352) 392-1111 (# UFPD (#8373) and ask to speak to a Patrol Supervisor. I can also be reached via e-mail at: wbarber@ufl.edu, or see the UFPD webpage at http://www.police.ufl.edu.

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