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A Springfield University student reported being mugged yesterday, Wednesday night at 11 p.m on the corner of McFarland Boulevard and 15<sup>th</sup> outside his dormitory residence hall, Stanton Hall. Wesley Jameson, Jr., a twenty year old and third year law student, said he was walking back to his dorm after a meeting in the library when he was robbed by two men wearing halloween masks. Jameson said he got up and walked to the dorm, where he used a friend's phone to call police. Be advised, the suspects have not yet been captured.

Jameson indentified that one was wearing a rubber zombie mask while the other had a plastic vampire mask. One man was about six feet tall, heavy set, and wearing a plaid flannel shirt. The other was about 5 feet 7 inches, was wearing a denim jacket, and has a tattoo of a flag on the back of his hand. Jameson said he told the investigating police officer, Joseph Calvin, that they quickly grabbed him, threw him to the ground, then took his backpack and his iphone. Officer Calvin said they found two discarded halloween masks in the dumpster outside the dorm. "We see plenty of these robberies of opportunity now. People today just walk with their heads down at look at their phones without looking around."

Jameson said that inside his backpack was a laptop worth \$2,000.00, a wallet with \$45 dollars, a few credit cards, his student ID, and two notebooks full of school notes; "I hope they catch those guys. I have a whole semester of work on my laptop and I need my notes. What kind of a world is it when masked thugs can knock you down on the street and steal your stuff?" He later added that he was talking to his girlfriend on the phone at the time, and he admitted that "because I was distracted I was a good target." The police are still actively investigating the robbery.