

SITUATIONAL AWARENESS: PERSONAL SAFETY



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What is situational awareness?

The ability to accurately perceive one's surroundings, understand potential threats, and respond appropriately is important. Examples include staying cautious of potentially dangerous situations in parking lots or during protests.

Stages of situational awareness:

1. **Information gathering** – know where to find reliable information.
2. **Understanding** – to interpret the information.
3. **Anticipation** – predict how the situation may evolve.



*Safety in your neighbourhood,
even on campus,*

**is also YOUR
responsibility**

STAY SAFE

BEFORE AND DURING:

- Always be aware of your surroundings. Know where you are and assess if anything poses a threat to your safety.

After observing an incident:

- Assess its severity.
- Report it to Protection Services' 24/7 duty room.
- Evacuate the area if necessary.
- Gather details such as time, location, and nature of the incident.
- Stay alert and monitor for further developments.
- Remain calm.

Reporting an incident:

- Reporting helps ensure proper investigation and resource allocation.
- All incidents on campus (or related to UFS property off campus) must be reported.
- When reporting an incident, include key details: who, what, when, where, why, and how.



CONTACT DETAILS

Protection Services / 24/7 Duty Room

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