Residential Life and Housing Safety Tips

- Know your emergency numbers 911 and 713-743-3333
- Don’t leave personal property unattended
- Have make, model and serial number for all your equipment
- Place identifying marks on all textbooks
- Don’t leave valuable property in view inside your vehicle
- Be aware of your surroundings
- Know emergency call boxes locations where you frequently walk
- Lock your residence hall or apartment door, even when you're home. Lock your car. Lock your bike. Lock your purse in your room.
- Lock your door when you sleep, even in a residence hall.
- Theft of backpacks and textbooks is common—the resale value of books makes them attractive targets for petty thieves. If you're leaving for a minute, take your things with you.
- The police department will also provide a property registration sheet to record your valuables. Keep it in a safe place, away from the valuables themselves. If your property is stolen, your written inventory helps you provide a detailed description of what's missing, and if the property is recovered the police.
- Don't lend your keys, student ID, driver's license, or meal ticket to anyone.
- Don't open a building door for a stranger who doesn't have a key. Don't prop open a door either—and if you see one that is propped open, close it.