

Dear Colleagues:

Some of you may be aware of a serious incident that occurred in the MSEE building last week. A staff member noticed a man who was in a place where they were not supposed to be and immediately reported what they saw to Purdue Police. As a result, the man was apprehended immediately. The incident is recorded in the Purdue [daily crime log](#) (listed under Monday, 8/8). The subsequent police investigation determined that the man was also responsible for a prior report of inappropriate behavior in the EE building last May. He was issued a warning to stay away from campus. Purdue Police later found the man on campus in violation of that warning and arrested him for criminal trespass. Purdue Police have stepped up foot patrols of both MSEE and EE buildings and the surrounding areas as a result of these reports.

ECE and the College appreciate Purdue Police's quick and persistent response to these reports. Most of all, we appreciate the staff members who saw something amiss and promptly reported what they saw to the police. We are each reminded that our building locations and inviting, open spaces require us to remain aware of our surroundings and to always report occurrences that are concerning.

ECE and the College are currently working with Purdue Police, the appropriate committees and building deputies to thoroughly assess building safety. We want to make sure we strike the right balance between accessibility and safety, so please look for updates and opportunities to provide input as our assessment progresses. In the meantime, please let one of us know if you have any questions about these incidents.

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