UPDATE: An arrest has been made in the robbery of a University of Oregon student at the UO’s Baker Downtown Center this morning.

Eugene Police arrested Valora June Rivera, 44 of Eugene, near 11th Avenue and High Street around 11:00 a.m. Rivera was charged with second-degree robbery and second-degree criminal trespass, and transported to Lane County Jail. Rivera had been issued a letter of trespass from university property in October 2013, adding trespassing to the robbery charge. Police did not recover a weapon from the suspect or in the immediate vicinity.

ORIGINAL ALERT: A University of Oregon student has reported that she was robbed in a parking lot just east of the Baker Downtown Center near 10th Avenue and Mill Street at about 8:00 Wednesday morning.

The student reports she was sitting in her car in university lot 1D, when she was approached by a woman who was walking south down the alley to the east of the Baker Center. The woman started a conversation with the student, but then claimed that she needed money and threatened the student, while turning to reveal what appeared to be the handle (or “grip”) of a gun in an outside jacket pocket. The student gave her a small amount of cash and the suspect fled south on foot down the alley. The student described the suspect as a black woman in her mid-40s to early 50s, between 5-foot-2 and 5-foot-6, medium build, with light skin, graying tight curly shoulder-length hair, wearing a dark, mid-thigh-length jacket and dark pants, and carrying a red umbrella.

This incident is unresolved and an investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information about this or similar incidents should call Eugene Police at 541-682-5111 or UOPD at 541-346-2919. Updates regarding this incident, when and if available, will be posted on the UOPD website at police.uoregon.edu.

CAMPUS SAFETY TIPS FROM UOPD

• No action or inaction by a crime survivor makes that person responsible for his or her victimization. Perpetrators are responsible for crimes and their effects. The following suggestions may help reduce the possibility of experiencing a crime, or may improve opportunities to receive prompt assistance.

• It is a crime to intentionally touch someone against his or her will, regardless of the situation.

• Encourage friends to travel in pairs or with trusted companions, especially at night or in remote areas. Be aware of surroundings, and attempt to keep a safe distance from strangers.

• Whenever possible, keep valuables secured and out of sight.

• Use UO Safe Ride (541-346-RIDE ext. 2), call a taxicab, or contact UOPD for an on-campus escort (541-346-2919).

• If you feel you or others are in danger, call 9-1-1.

• To report suspicious, illegal or unusual activity on campus, call UOPD at 541-346-2919. For emergencies or if you see a crime being committed, call 9-1-1.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR SURVIVORS OF CRIME

• For students, support services are available through the Office of the Dean of Students, 541-346-3216; uodos@uoregon.edu.

• For students, personal counseling and other support services are available through the University Counseling and Testing Center, 541-346-3227 (available 24 hours); counseling.uoregon.edu/dnn.

• Other community resources available are White Bird Clinic Counseling, 541-342-8255 541-687-4000 (24 hour crisis line).