ABOUT 25% OF STUDENTS REPORT OBSERVING OR EXPERIENCING HOSTILE, HARASSING AND INTIMIDATING BEHAVIOR ON CAMPUS. SOME SUBGROUPS REPORT HIGHER LEVELS OF EXPOSURE

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26% of student respondents have witnessed or experienced hostile, harassing, or intimidating behavior

- Almost half (44%) of those students indicated they were the victim (10% of responding students), while 35% said the victim was another student
- 42% of the violators were other students; 18% were faculty members or instructors; 9% other UAB employees; 7% strangers
- About 22% of the harassing or intimidating behavior occurred in a classroom; 10% in an office; 11% in a residence hall; 8% in the Hill Center; 33% off campus
Several Subgroups Reported Higher Rates of Observing or Experiencing Hostile, Harassing or Intimidating Behavior

- Fraternity or Sorority: 44%
- Identify as having a disability: 45%
- Not heterosexual/Other sexual orientation: 35%
- Gender Queer/Other: 40%
- Overall: 26%

35% or more of responding students in several subgroups reported observing or experiencing hostile, harassing or intimidating behavior.
Percentage of Responding Students Who Indicated that They Were Nervous or Afraid Because of the Following Behaviors

- Afraid you were being followed or spied on: 11%
- Rumors or information being spread publicly: 10.2%
- Someone waiting for you: 9.5%
- Receiving Unwanted Calls: 9%
- Receiving Unsolicited Pictures, Letters or Emails: 8.5%
- Threats of harm to self or others: 5.1%
- Receiving Unwanted gifts or items: 3.5%
Some groups were more likely to experience these feelings

• Approximately twice as many students in certain underrepresented groups (students with disabilities, students who are not heterosexual, Muslim students, students of races other than White, black/African American or Asian) reported feeling nervous/afraid due to at least one of the threats compared to the average for respondents. For example, while approximately 9% of all respondents reported being nervous/afraid due to unwanted calls, 18% of individuals with disabilities reported being nervous for that reason.

• Students in fraternities or sororities were twice as likely to report feeling nervous due to at least one of the threats compared to the average for respondents.