What to do in an EMERGENCY

For additional information, please refer to the University of Washington, Tacoma "Emergency Action and Disaster Plan" or call (253) 692-4416.

EMERGENCY CAMPUS EVACUATION PLAN

When an alarm sounds, evacuate. Never second-guess or assume the alarm to be false.

The main evacuation control area is the Cragel parking lot (next to the Library).

As you leave, grab proper outerwear and personal items (i.e.; purse, wallet, car keys) only if time and safety permit and without delay.

FIRE EMERGENCY

Sound a fire alarm immediately if you see fire or smoke. When a fire alarm is activated, the Fire Department is automatically notified. Security and Facilities personnel will respond to assist as needed.

1. Evacuate the building immediately, following the guidelines from the Emergency Campus Evacuation plan found above.
2. Call 9-911 from any campus phone or 911 from any pay phone immediately from a safe location. Notify Safety & Security at 2-4416 from a campus phone or (253) 692-4416 from all other phones.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCY

Do not attempt to clean up spills. Cleanup procedures will be determined by emergency personnel.

1. If you or someone in your area is injured by hazardous materials, call 9-911 immediately.
2. After 9-911 has been contacted and you are in a safe area, notify Safety & Security at 2-4416 campus phone or (253) 692-4416.

EARTHQUAKE

While inside a building:

1. Take cover under a desk or table, keeping your head and neck protected.
2. Stay clear of windows or glassed-in areas, cabinets and equipment that may fall.

Do not leave the building during the earthquake, as there is extreme danger from falling debris when leaving or entering buildings.

MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

1. Don't panic. Assess the situation. Look for a Medic Alert bracelet or necklace.
2. Have someone call 9-911. If you are alone, yell as loud as possible for help. If you are unable to summon help, you should call 9-911, then return and assist the person to the best of your ability.
3. Give the 9-911 operator as much information as possible—type of emergency, what help is needed, exact address, building name, room number, telephone number, information from Medic bracelet or necklace, and victim information. Don’t hang up until you are told to do so by the 911 operator.
4. Do not move the victim.
5. Give first aid if possible until emergency personnel arrive.

TRAIN DERAILMENT & ACCIDENTS

Absolutely the first priority is to notify the railroad immediately:

Burlington Northern/Santa Fe 1-800-285-2164
Union Pacific/Southern Pacific 1-800-892-1283

Treat all train derailments as a Hazardous Materials Spill and follow the procedure outlined under that heading.

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