6 arrested for alleged Student Union thefts

Non-students accused of stealing up to $20K worth in items from UL bookstore

Vermilion staff report

University of Louisiana at Lafayette police arrested six people in several cases of burglary in the Student Union that are believed to have occurred Aug. 7.

One arrest, a UL Lafayette student, was made following their identification from surveillance footage. According to a press release, the other suspects were identified following an interview with the first suspect.

The six individuals are: Lance Flores, 20, accused of 10 counts of simple burglary and unauthorized entrance into a place of a business; Michael John Comeaux, Jr., 21, accused of six counts of simple burglary and simple criminal damage to property; Quoc Cuong Nguyen, 20, accused of 10 counts of simple burglary and simple criminal damage to property; Jirayu Sutthiari, 23, accused of illegal possession of stolen things; Brooke Douet, 20, accused of simple burglary and unauthorized entrance into a place of business; and Michael Paul Guidry, 20, accused of simple burglary and unauthorized entrance into a place of business.

Police said most of the stolen items recovered totaled approximately $15-20,000. Possessions included several cameras, computers, speakers, and other items as well as a 60-inch television that was recovered from a local pawn shop.

Bonds at the time of arrest ranged from $15,000 to $82,000.