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Woman allegedly went on robbery spree of offices at Boston University, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

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By Matt Rocheleau, Town Correspondent

A Roxbury woman wanted for a spree of recent robberies at area office buildings, including at Boston University and Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, was spotted this week inside a suite that houses top BU executives and arrested soon after, according to authorities and university officials.

Josephine Simard, 34, whom Police recently added to their “most wanted” list, was arraigned Wednesday in Roxbury District Court on charges of larceny under \$200, trespassing and assault and battery on a police officer, according to Suffolk County District Attorney office spokesman Jake Wark.

A plea of not guilty was automatically entered on her behalf, Wark said.

According to BU’s news website, [BU Today](#), Simard has also been charged with: additional counts of assault and battery on a police officer, larceny from a building, multiple counts of receiving stolen property under \$250, resisting arrest, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, three counts of check forgery, credit card fraud, improper use of a credit card, and larceny over or under \$250.

Simard was spotted Tuesday afternoon by a secretary on the seventh floor of the John and Kathryn Silber Administrative Center building, which houses BU administrative offices, including the campus president’s and trustees’ offices on the eighth floor, Boston University Police officer Peter Shin told BU Today.

She was arrested a short time later in front of the Boston Hotel Buckminster in Kenmore Square after struggling with officers, Shin said.

He told BU Today Simard probably toured office buildings looking for unlocked rooms she could sneak in and out of, taking whatever items of value she could find.

He said police recovered stolen property from her after her arrest, mainly wallets and cell phones.

Police reminded faculty, staff and students to lock their rooms and offices.

Simard’s next court date is scheduled for Nov. 6, Wark said.

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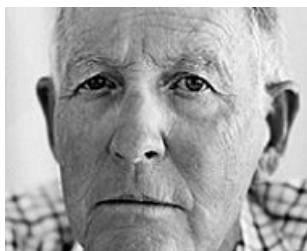
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