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By Rachel Williamson Staff Writer

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Howling for victory

By Kerri G. Raz Staff Writer

The number of cases of sexual offenses in 2002 is actually down compared to 2001. But many of the incidents that bother students go unreported, or are not considered sex crimes, according to UAPD.

“IT was on the fourth floor. This older guy, he must have been in his 40s, kept on walking up to all the girls and talking to us,” said aerospace engineering freshman Ariel March. “All the girls left and then I was the only one there, and he just kept staring at me. So I left too.”

The total of these cuts is only $18 million cut because the legislature told him to prepare for a 5 percent cut.

Until the legislators make their final decision, he will only plan on cutting $16.7 million, he said.

Arizona State University President Michael Crow warned the Joint Legislative Budget Committee that if ASU’s budget is cut one more time, administrators will have to begin eliminating programs, something that has been avoided thus far.

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Since the two reports have a link, there will be further investigation by UAPD.

However, the second report does not register as a sexual offense, like other incidents that may have sexual overtones but are not considered sex crimes, including looking at Internet pornography or taking pictures of bystanders.

According to UAPD, there have only been seven sexual offenses from August 2001 to November 2002.

“I don’t want to say it’s something people should be alarmed about. I think it’s something people should be aware of,” said Seastone.

Another student said she knows a lot of guys who go to the library just to pick up girls, but was still “creeped out” when a man solicited her over the summer.

“He came up to me and made some comment about my dress, whatever I was wearing, and then he was like, ‘Could I get your e-mail address?’ I said no, but he kept coming back and talking to me,” said Nicole Stillman, a business junior. “He spoke really roughly. He was probably 35. I thought he was drunk, but he just said he was from France.”

While Stillman didn’t report the incident to UAPD, she said she did tell her friends about the encounter.

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