**BLACKSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT**
**News Release**

**DATE:** **September 11, 2005**

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**SUBJECT:** **Armed Robbery Arrests**

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Blacksburg Police arrested two men early Sunday morning during the investigation of an Armed Robbery.

At 2:39 am on September 11, 2005, Blacksburg Police responded to a complaint of a Robbery that had just occurred in the 1100 block of South Main Street. Police responded and during the course of their investigation discovered that the victim was walking down South Main Street when he was reported to have been forced to the ground at gunpoint and robbed of his wallet. The suspects then fled the area in a burgundy Cadillac.

A short time later a patrol officer located the suspect vehicle and initiated a stop. Police recovered the robbery victim's credit cards from the vehicle and subsequently arrested two men in relation to this incident.

Police arrested Gregory M. Jackson, 20, of Falls Church and Oscar T. Manata, 20, of Washington, D. C. The two Virginia Tech students were transported before a Montgomery County Magistrate where they were charged with Armed Robbery and remanded to the Montgomery County Jail without bond.

Police continue to investigate and anyone with any further information regarding this incident should contact the Blacksburg Police Department at 540-961-1150.