

Small fire damages bed, mattress in Princeton dormitory

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Emergency responders using fire extinguishers put out a small fire that damaged a bed and mattress in a student's dormitory room at Princeton University early Saturday morning.

University's public safety officers and town of Princeton firefighters responded to an alarm at Scully Hall at 2:12 a.m. About 150 students were evacuated from the building.

The student, who lived alone in a first-floor room, declined medical treatment from the Princeton Fire and Rescue Squad. Temporary accommodations were being sought for him, and students were let back into their rooms about 3 a.m.

University and fire officials were trying to determine the cause of the fire.