Sexual assault / Title IX—Peer resource advisors

Medical assistance
Student Health Services can provide health services and referrals. Students can go for medical services to any local hospital. A police report is not required to receive medical assistance. You may ask for a Sexual Assault Exam at the hospital. The exam includes preventive treatment for sexually transmitted infections, pregnancy and evidence collection. A Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) or forensic examiner who has received specialized training performs the exams.

Safety & security
Public Safety can provide help ranging from immediate referral information to personal support, as well as assist with information regarding an investigation. Reporting to Public Safety will also protect the community from future victimizations and help apprehend the assailant. The Public Safety Department is required to contact the local police any time a crime has been reported. This does not mean that the reporting individual must proceed with criminal charges.

Advocacy & support services
Peer resource advisors are available for immediate support, information and referral services and can walk you through the Policy on Sexual/Gender Discrimination, Misconduct and Harassment to help you understand your rights and options for reporting. They can provide ongoing support through the reporting and investigation processes, if so chosen. Peer resource advisors will report the nature, date, time and general location of an incident to the Title IX coordinator, but they are not required to report name if that is your choice.

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Title IX coordinators
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