

Sexual Misconduct and Assault Resources for the International Community

Due to possible language and cultural differences, students with global backgrounds, may be at a higher risk for experiencing issues of sexual misconduct in the United States. To make sure you fully understand sexual misconduct as well as available resources, please review and retain this important information sheet.

WHAT IS CONSENT?

Consent of both individuals is what defines a mutual sexual experience. The requirements of consent in the U.S. include:

- 1) **ACTIVE, CONTINUOUS VERBAL YES** that is obtained without force, threat, intimidation or coercion.
- 2) **With awareness.** Consent cannot be given by someone who is unresponsive due to alcohol, drugs, or sleep.
- 3) **Can be withdrawn later.** Either person can say "NO" or "STOP" as the sexual event progresses and that means their consent ends. **Consent can be revoked at any time.** Consent to a sexual activity in the past does not constitute consent in the present.



WHAT IS SEXUAL HARASSMENT?

Sexual harassment is defined as **unwelcome** or **unwanted** sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature that is non-consensual.

WHAT IS SEXUAL ASSAULT?

Sexual assault includes non-consensual sexual contact and non-consensual sexual intercourse.

WHAT IS A BYSTANDER?

A bystander is a witness to inappropriate or illegal behavior. You can intervene in order to help create a safer environment. Every situation is different and there is no universal response when intervening to prevent sexual misconduct. If you witness sexual violence, for example at a party, get support from the people around you. You don't have to act alone and if you feel unsafe, contact Campus Safety. If you are interested in getting Bystander Training, please contact Erin Buenzli, Director of Wellness and Recreation at erin.buenzli@lawrence.edu.

What can I do if I have or think I have been sexually assaulted?

- 1) **Physical:** Your immediate safety is the first priority. Remove yourself from the other person(s) as quickly as you can and find the closest public or secure location. These can include a library, a friend's room, et cetera. Call Campus Safety at 920-832-6999 or police at 911. If you are using a campus phone, dial 6999 or 9-911.
- 2) **Emotional:** Contact a university counselor or another on- or off-campus resource (listed in the right panel of this handout).
- 3) **Medical:** Seek immediate medical treatment.
- 4) **Save evidence:** It is best not to shower, bathe, douche, rinse your mouth, or wash the clothes you wore and to be seen within 72 hours by a SANE nurse to conduct a free forensic exam.
- 5) Consider **reporting:** Students can report the incident on-line at <http://go.lawrence.edu/8781> or to individuals in the offices mentioned in the resources section (right column).

Important Note for International Students: International students who have been a victim of sexual misconduct will not put their immigration status at risk by reporting. However, if an international student is found guilty of perpetrating a crime, it may be a deportable offense depending on the crime and person's immigration status.

SHARE

Sexual Harassment and Assault Resources & Education (SHARE):

The SHARE group advises the university on matters of sexual misconduct, provides resources and training, and helps those who have experienced sexual harassment, assault, or exploitation.

SHARE Confidential Resources: SHARE Confidential Resources are confidential sources of information and support. As a survivor of sexual misconduct or harassment, there are various avenues for support to help make you feel safer and start the healing process. A SHARE Confidential Resource can help you: get counseling or medical help, arrange for protection or academic accommodations, seek an educational intervention (for the offending party), file a formal complaint and contact law enforcement.

If you agree, a SHARE Confidential Resource can file a no-contact order with the **Title IX Coordinator** so the university can monitor the situation. You can file a report with the Title IX Coordinator and ask for a no-contact order. **A no-contact order will not start a formal investigation unless there is an immediate threat to public safety.**

ON-CAMPUS RESOURCES

CONFIDENTIAL CAMPUS RESOURCES FOR SEXUAL MISCONDUCT & ASSAULT

LU Wellness Services: 920-832-6574. Call this number to talk to a nurse or counselor.

On-Campus Advocate: individuals Call 920-832-6574 to speak with the Advocate or schedule an appointment.

SHARE Confidential Resources: List of individuals found at <http://www.lawrence.edu/students/share/about-share>

24/7 Counseling Crisis Line: 920-419-8167

Additional On-Campus Resources*:

Lawrence Campus Safety: 920-832-6999 or 6999 from campus phones located in every dorm.

Resident Hall Director (RHD) On-Duty: 920-419-6596

Title IX Coordinator: To file a report or complaint call 920-832-7496.

Other Staff: International Student Services, Waseda Program staff, Campus Life staff, RLAs and Hall Director, Dean of Students, and other trusted staff/faculty.

**These staff are required to submit a private contact report about knowledge of sexual misconduct to the Title IX Coordinator and are, therefore, not confidential.*

OFF-CAMPUS RESOURCES

Appleton Police Department: 9-911 (Emergency line)

Outagamie County Crisis Intervention: 920-832-4646

Sexual Assault Crisis Center of the Fox Cities: 920-733-8119—Referrals and language interpreters are available.

St. Elizabeth Hospital with Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE): 920-831-1451

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