Student Resources for Sexual Misconduct

OHIO UNIVERSITY RESOURCES

Counseling and Psychological Services (CPS)*
740-593-1616
3rd Floor Hudson Health Center
www.ohio.edu/counseling
counseling.services@ohio.edu

CPS provides professional and confidential counseling to students. Drop-in hours 9:45-3:15pm, M-F. To access counselors who are on-call 24 hours a day, call 740-593-1616. Counseling services are available to friends and survivors, and consultation services are available to faculty and staff. A Sexual Assault Survivors Group (for women) and a Trauma Support Group (for anyone who has experienced a sexual assault) are available by referral.

Office of Equity and Civil Rights Compliance
ECRC is the office of the Title IX Coordinator
Lindley Hall 006
www.ohio.edu/equity-civil-rights/
T: (740) 593 9140
F: (740) 593 9168
equity@ohio.edu

The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for monitoring and overseeing the University’s compliance with all Title IX obligations. ECRC also coordinates alternate arrangements for academic, living, employment, or other circumstances during and/or after investigations.

Office of Community Standards and Student Responsibility (CSSR)
740-593-2629
349 Baker University Center
www.ohio.edu/communitystandards
communitystandards@ohio.edu

Community Standards, along with the Office for Institutional Equity, investigates and resolves allegations of sexual misconduct, stalking, and relationship violence. They also serve as a resource to the campus community in explaining the investigation and resolution process. The staff strive to provide a thorough, timely, and equitable process for all parties involved.

Office of the Dean of Students
740-593-1800
345 Baker University Center
www.ohio.edu/deanofstudents
deanstu@ohio.edu

Staff in the Office of the Dean of Students can help connect survivors of sexual violence with the resources on campus and in the Athens community.

LGBT Center
740-593-0239
354 Baker University Center
www.ohio.edu/lgbt
lgbt@ohio.edu

Staff in the LGBT Center can help connect survivors of sexual violence with LGBT-affirming resources on campus and in the Athens community. The center is also committed to providing education on the unique needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and/or transgender survivors as well as advocating for these needs on and off campus.

International Student and Faculty Services
740-593-4330
15 Park Place
Walter International Education Center
www.ohio.edu/isfs
isfs@ohio.edu

Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships
740-593-4141
040 Chubb Hall
www.ohio.edu/financialaid
financial.aid@ohio.edu

The Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships is available to assist students with questions related to financial aid and resources eligibility. Individual appointments may be scheduled with assigned financial aid advisors.
ATHENS COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Athens County Victims Assistance
740-592-3208
Athens County Court House
1 South Court Street, 1st Floor
www.athenscountyprosecutor.org/victim-assistance

Advocates can answer questions about your rights, obtaining protection orders, or any other concerns related to the criminal justice process.

Athens Police Department
740-592-3313 or call 911 for emergency
11 North College Street

A crisis intervention officer will respond. The Violence Against Women Unit with a special investigator and social worker can provide confidential victim services.

Buckeye Region Anti-Violence Organization (BRAVO)
614-294-7867
Offers a support group for LGBT survivors of dating/domestic violence.

Center for Student Legal Services
740-594-8093
50 S. Court Street, Suite D
www.studentlegalrights.org
Call or visit website for a list of services.

My Sister’s Place*
1-800-443-3402 (24/7 Line)
www.mspathens.org
mspathens@gmail.com
Shelter and social services for survivors of domestic/dating violence.

OhioHealth O’Bleness Hospital*
740-593-5551 (24/7 Line)
55 Hospital Drive

Sexual Assault Forensic Nurse Examiner (SAFE) present 24/7 to provide medical attention and collect evidence.

Hopewell Health Centers*
90 Hospital Drive
740-592-3091
1-877-475-8484 (24/7 Crisis Line)

Counseling is available for those who receive or are eligible for Medicaid or Medicare. Private insurance and self-pay are also acceptable.

*Confidential resource: Confidential resources are not required to report specific incidents to the Office of Equity and Civil Rights Compliance or any other investigating body and may not disclose any information without the permission of the student.
Ohio University Policy 03.004: Sexual Misconduct, Relationship Violence, and Stalking (www.ohio.edu/policy/03-004.html)

Sexual misconduct, including sexual harassment, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, are impediments for Ohio University students and staff to have equal opportunities for accessing education or employment. Therefore sexual misconduct in any form is a Title IX civil rights issue.

**Reporting Process:** Once a report has been made to the Office of Equity and Civil Rights Compliance (ECRC), the following things will happen:

- ECRC will contact you shortly after obtaining details and schedule a meeting with you. Investigators will be present from ECRC and Community Standards and Student Responsibility (CSSR) will be present during this meeting.
- Generally, investigators will explain the university sexual misconduct resolution process, offer you information on resources and options available to you, and ask for a detailed account of the incident.
- For detailed information regarding the investigation process, please refer to the CSSR website: www.ohio.edu/communitystandards.

**Request for Confidentiality**
You may request that your name not be used as part of any investigation that the university may initiate. Requests for confidentiality must be made directly by you to the Office of Equity and Civil Rights Compliance (ECRC). The individual making the referral may share that you wish to request confidentiality, but it will not be considered a formal request until made by you to ECRC.

You should know that the individual making the referral is required to provide ECRC with your name. Should you choose to request confidentiality, please be aware that the inability to use your name can significantly impede the university’s ability to conduct an investigation and, in most cases, the university will be unable to investigate the matter or resolve it through the student conduct process. Additionally, confidentiality can also impact the corrective measures the university is able to put in place.

For example, a no-contact directive could not be issued if your name cannot be shared.

**Request for Confidentiality Review**
Requests for confidentiality will be reviewed jointly by the Office of Equity and Civil Rights Compliance (ECRC) and Community Standards and Student Responsibility (CSSR) and you will be notified of the outcome of your request. While the university will make every attempt to honor requests for confidentiality, some of the reasons a request for confidentiality may be denied include, but are not limited to:

- The reported use of force during the commission of an alleged violation of sexual misconduct, relationship violence, or stalking;
- The reported use of a weapon during the commission of an alleged violation of sexual misconduct, relationship violence, or stalking;
- Significant physical injury resulting from an alleged violation of sexual misconduct, relationship violence, or stalking; or
- The involvement of multiple respondents in the commission of an alleged violation of sexual misconduct, relationship violence, or stalking.

Prior allegations (substantiated or not) of sexual misconduct, relationship violence, or stalking made against the alleged perpetrator. **Requesting confidentiality does not relinquish your ability to avail yourself of support resources.**