

Student Resources for Sexual Misconduct

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.

*Proposed policy title revision

Reporting Process: Once a report has been made to the Office of Institutional Equity (OIE), the following things will happen:

- OIE will contact you shortly after obtaining details and schedule a meeting with you. Investigators will be present from OIE 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 for Institutional Equity (OIE). 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 OIE.

You should know that the individual making the referral is required to provide OIE 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 for Institutional Equity (OIE) 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
- 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.**

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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.

Campus Care*

740-593-1660
1st Floor Hudson Health Center
www.oucom.ohiou.edu/campuscare/services

Campus Care will assist with referrals and resources; transportation to OhioHealth O'Bleness Hospital for SAFE exam (Campus Care does not collect rape kits); STD testing & treatment, HIV testing, and emergency contraception.

Survivor Advocacy Program*

740-597-7233 (24/7 Line)
McKee House 44 University Terrace
www.ohio.edu/survivor
survivor.advocacy@ohio.edu

The Ohio University Survivor Advocacy Program (OUSAP) serves victims and survivors of sexual assault, dating and domestic violence, and stalking on campus through confidential advocacy services, education, and resources. OUSAP offers the following services:

- A 24-hour crisis line 7 days a week
- In-person advocacy (walk-in or by appointment)
- Support in navigating medical, judicial, and legal processes
- Hospital and follow-up medical advocacy/ accompaniment
- Law enforcement advocacy/ accompaniment
- Aid in accommodating housing options and academic needs
- Legal advocacy/ accompaniment
- Support for friends and family of sexual assault survivors
- Community information and resource referrals
- Confidentiality
- Awareness raising events and outreach campaigns

Office for Institutional Equity (OIE)

Title IX Coordinator and ADA/504 Coordinator
740-593-9132
Crewson House
www.ohio.edu/equity
equity@ohio.edu

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

Ohio University Police Department

740-593-1911
88 University Terrace
135 Scott Quad
www.ohio.edu/police
police@ohio.edu

The Ohio University Police Department investigates allegations of sexual misconduct that occur on campus and constitute violations of criminal law. Officers are trained in crisis intervention and sexual assault investigation, and will work to ensure the well-being of the survivor to include assisting him/her to access health care and support services.

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.

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.mspaths.org
mSPATHS@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 for Institutional Equity or any other investigating body and may not disclose any information without the permission of the student.*