

If YOU Have Experienced Sexual Misconduct

What to Do

A person who experiences an incident of sexual misconduct should consider the following immediate actions:

- Contact the COD Police Department at (630) 942-2000 or law enforcement at 911.
- Seek medical attention.
- Student Counseling Services, (630) 942-2259
- Report the situation to the Title IX coordinator, Sue Jerak, (630) 942-3224.
- Contact a trained, experienced counselor.
- Contact parents, relatives or close friends for support.
- You don't have to choose a course of action immediately, but consider preserving evidence in case you choose to pursue charges. Possible evidence might be physical (clothing, bedding, letters, etc.) or not (photos, emails, text messages, etc.)

What to Know

- You set the pace.
- You have the right to choose to whom you will speak, what resources you will use, what you will say, and when you will say it.
- There are many resources available to help you, both at the College and in the community.
- It is your choice whether to name the other person(s).
- Your information will be kept private and only shared with those who "need to know." We want to take care of you and keep you safe, and we want to make sure that others in the community are safe.
- College of DuPage prohibits sexual misconduct, including sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

ON-CAMPUS RESOURCES

Campus Police, (630) 942-2000

Counseling and Advising Center, (630) 942-2259

Title IX Coordinator

Susan Jerak, (630) 942-3224
jeraks@cod.edu

CONFIDENTIAL ADVISORS

YWCA Metropolitan Chicago

2055 W. Army Trail Rd.
Suite 140, Addison, IL 60101
(630) 790-6600

Rape Crisis Hotline: (630) 971-3927

HOSPITALS

Central DuPage Hospital

25 North Winfield Road
Winfield, IL 60190
(630) 933-1600

Good Samaritan Hospital

3815 Highland Ave.
Downers Grove, IL 60515
(630) 275-5900

Edward Hospital

801 S. Washington Street
Naperville, IL 60540
(630) 527-3000

TITLE IX RESOURCE CARD

Resources and Policies
for Faculty, Staff and
Students

Sexual Misconduct:

- Sexual Harassment
- Sexual Assault
- Domestic Violence
- Dating Violence
- Stalking

If Someone Tells You They Have Experienced Sexual Misconduct

What to Do

1. If someone tells you that they have experienced sexual misconduct including: sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, first offer them support. Listen to them and encourage them to seek help and counseling as soon as possible.
2. The person's health and safety should be your primary concern. If the person's safety is an immediate concern, contact the College of DuPage Police Department at (630) 942-2000 or call 911.
3. Report the incident in accordance with the non-retaliation policy.
4. If there is any question about how to proceed after a conversation with someone who has experienced misconduct, call and consult with the Title IX coordinator.

Who Needs to Report?

All College employees, including student employees or volunteers responsible for the welfare of other students, are required to report to a College resource:

COD Police Department, (630) 942-2000

Title IX Coordinator, Sue Jerak, (630) 942-3224

Vice President of Human Resources,
Linda Sands-VanKerk, (630) 942-2621

The only exceptions are those few employees who operate with statutorily-protected confidentiality (i.e., health services, counseling, clergy, sexual assault advocates). If you have questions about whether to report, please call the Title IX coordinator.

Why Do I Need to Report?

- To ensure that the complainant has access to all of the available resources.
- To help identify individuals displaying patterns of behavior.
- To identify and address any trends or systemic problems.
- To keep our campus safe.

What to Say

There are many resources available to help you, both at the College and in the community. Some resources are strictly confidential.

I am required to connect you to the Title IX coordinator who will meet with you to help you take care of your personal safety and your physical and emotional well-being, direct you to resources, and explain your options if you want the College to take action.

The Title IX coordinator will keep your information private and will only share it with those who "need to know." You have the right to choose to whom you will speak, what resources you will use, what you will say, and when you will say it.

Non-Retaliation Policy

It is a violation of College policy to retaliate in any way against a student or employee because he/she raised allegations or was accused of sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence or stalking.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

YWCA Metropolitan Chicago, (312) 372-6600
www.ywcachicago.org

YWCA Patterson and McDaniel Family Center
Addison, IL (630) 790-6600 (West Suburban)
DuPage County Rape Crisis Hotline:
(630) 971-3927 www.ywcachicago.org

Mujeres Latinas En Acción, Chicago, IL
24/7 Crisis Hotline: (312) 738-5358
www.mujereslatinasenaccion.org

Mutual Ground, Aurora, IL
Domestic Violence Hotline: (630) 897-0080
Sexual Assault Hotline: (630) 897-8388
www.mutualground.org

National Domestic Violence Hotline
24/7 Hotline: (800) 799-7233 www.thehotline.org

National Sexual Assault Hotline
Free and Confidential 24/7:
(800) 656-HOPE (4673) www.rainn.org

State of Illinois Domestic Violence Hotline
Available in 170+ languages: (877) 863-6338
www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=30275

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Vice President of Human Resources
Linda Sands-VanKerk, (630) 942-2621