

CSUN

OFFICE OF  
EQUITY AND DIVERSITY

# STUDENT RESOURCES AND REPORTING OPTIONS FOR SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND RELATIONSHIP ABUSE



# What Do I Do?

## TO GET EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR MY SAFETY

Call 911.

## TO GET MEDICAL HELP

The medical centers, on and off campus, provide treatment of injuries, STD screenings and pregnancy tests. If you wish to have an evidence collection kit (“rape kit”), you can do so at Northridge Hospital Medical Center’s Center for Assault Treatment Services (CATS). If possible and to preserve evidence, do not wash your face or hands, shower or bathe, brush your teeth, urinate or change clothes prior to doing the medical exam.

## TO TALK

There are confidential resources who can provide you with support while allowing you the time and space you need to process what has happened and who can provide you with basic information about your options and available resources.

## TO REPORT A CONCERN AND GET SUPPORT\*

Students who wish to report a concern may seek assistance from staff listed as “Reporting Options and Resources.” These staff will protect your privacy; however, to further protect you and the campus community, they cannot guarantee complete confidentiality.\*\* They will also explain your options and resources and attend to your immediate needs for safety and interim measures (e.g., no-contact orders, housing and academic accommodations, counseling, safety escorts).

\* If you have experienced sexual misconduct, dating or domestic violence, or stalking, you should not be deterred from reporting the incident out of concern that you might be disciplined for related violations of drug, alcohol, or other university policies. Except in egregious circumstances, University students or employees who are victims of sexual misconduct will not be subject to discipline.

\*\* If you report certain sex offenses to local or University Police, the police are required to notify you that your name will become a matter of public record unless confidentiality is requested. If you request that your identity be kept confidential, the police will not report your identity to anyone else at the University. However, University police will report the facts of the incident itself to the Title IX Coordinator being sure not to reveal your name/identity, or compromise their own criminal investigation.

## TO UNDERSTAND THE UNIVERSITY’S TITLE IX ADMINISTRATIVE/ DISCIPLINARY PROCESSES

You are encouraged to contact the University Title IX Coordinator in the Office of Equity & Diversity, who oversees the investigation of all reports of sexual assault and relationship violence, including the provision of interim measures and final administrative remedies.

In certain rare circumstances where it is necessary to ensure your safety and that of the university community, the university may be obligated to investigate known incidents of sexual assault and relationship violence, even if you may not feel ready. Such a decision would be discussed with you in advance, however, and the university would ensure that you have a support person throughout the process.

## TO REPORT A CRIMINAL CONCERN

Sexual violence is a crime. We encourage you to contact the CSUN Department of Police Services or the police department responsible for the area where the incident took place for more information about how to report a crime and the criminal process. A criminal investigation does not relieve the university of its obligation to respond under Title IX, and both a criminal and university investigation can proceed at the same time.

## WHAT IF I WANT TO BE LEFT ALONE?

This may be a confusing and difficult time. Remember that these resources are always available to you, and you can seek support at any time. Friends and family can offer support as well. You are not alone. There are people who can help you. You have options.

## CONFIDENTIAL RESOURCES

These resources will keep your identity and information private and anonymous.

### Care Advocates

Stephanie Hansen & Danielle Samuel  
Email: [stephanie.hansen@strengthunited.org](mailto:stephanie.hansen@strengthunited.org),  
[danielle.samuel@strengthunited.org](mailto:danielle.samuel@strengthunited.org)  
Phone: (818) 677-7492  
Klotz Student Health Center, Rm 201

### University Counseling Services

CSU Northridge Bayramian Hall, Rm 520  
(818) 677-2366, Option 1  
[www.csun.edu/counseling](http://www.csun.edu/counseling)  
After-hours urgent care: (818) 677-2366, Option 3

### Strength United 24/7 Hotline

(818) 886-0453  
or (661) 253-0258  
[www.csun.edu/eisner-education/strength-united](http://www.csun.edu/eisner-education/strength-united)

### Crisis Text Line

Text HOME to 741741 for free, 24/7 crisis support for anyone in the US via text. Communication with Crisis Counselors is confidential unless sharing it with emergency services is absolutely necessary for your safety. Website: <https://www.crisistextline.org/>

### Santa Monica Rape Treatment Center

1250 Sixteenth St. Santa Monica, CA  
(310) 319-4000  
[www.911rape.org](http://www.911rape.org)

### RAINN - Rape, Abuse & Incest National

Network Sexual Assault  
(800) 656-HOPE (4673)  
[www.rainn.org](http://www.rainn.org)

## REPORTING OPTIONS AND RESOURCES

### Title IX Coordinator Barrett Morris

Office of Equity & Diversity  
University Hall, Rm. 285  
(818) 677-2077  
[www.csun.edu/eqd](http://www.csun.edu/eqd)

### Office of Student Affairs & Dean of Students

University Hall, Rm. 310  
(818) 677-2391  
[www.csun.edu/studentaffairs](http://www.csun.edu/studentaffairs)

### CSUN Police Services

24 Hr. Police Dispatch  
9222 Darby Ave. Northridge, CA  
(818) 677-2111  
[www.csun.edu/police](http://www.csun.edu/police)

## MEDICAL RESOURCES

Under California law, medical clinicians are required to report to the police instances in which they observe physical injury caused by assaultive conduct.

### Klotz Student Health Center

18111 Nordhoff St. Northridge, CA  
(818) 677-3666  
[www.csun.edu/shc](http://www.csun.edu/shc)

### Northridge Hospital Medical Center

18300 Roscoe Blvd. Northridge, CA  
(818) 885-8500  
[www.northridgehospital.org](http://www.northridgehospital.org)

### Reseda Medical Clinic

18355 Sherman Way Reseda, CA  
(818) 343-0964

### Valley Urgent Care Center

9346 Corbin Ave. Northridge, CA  
(818) 349-9966  
[www.sfvallergyurgentcare.com](http://www.sfvallergyurgentcare.com)

### Olive View Medical Center

14445 Olive View Dr. Sylmar, CA  
(818) 364-1555  
[www.uclaoliveview.org](http://www.uclaoliveview.org)

# I think I have experienced some type of sexual violence or relationship abuse, but I'm not sure...

## **SEXUAL MISCONDUCT IS**

Engaging in any sexual activity without first obtaining affirmative consent to the specific activity.

Sexual activity includes, but is not limited to, kissing, touching intimate body parts, fondling, intercourse, penetration of any body part, and oral sex. It also includes any unwelcome physical sexual acts, such as unwelcome sexual touching, sexual assault, sexual battery, rape, and dating violence. When it is based on gender, domestic violence and stalking also constitute sexual misconduct. Sexual misconduct may include physical force, violence, threat, or intimidation, ignoring the objections of the other person, causing the other person's intoxication or incapacitation through the use of drugs or alcohol, or taking advantage of the other person's incapacitation (including voluntary intoxication). Men as well as women can be victims of these forms of sexual misconduct. Sexual activity with a minor under 18 years old is never consensual.

## **SEXUAL ASSAULT IS**

A form of sexual violence and is an attempt, coupled with the ability, to commit violent injury on the person of another because of that person's gender or sex.

## **SEXUAL BATTERY IS**

A form of sexual misconduct and is any willful and unlawful use of force or violence upon the person of another because of that person's gender or sex as well as touching an intimate part of another person against that person's will and for the purpose of sexual arousal, gratification, or abuse.

## **RAPE IS**

A form of sexual misconduct and is non-consensual sexual intercourse that may also involve the use of threat of force, violence, or immediate and unlawful bodily injury or threats of future retaliation and duress. Any sexual penetration, however slight, is sufficient to constitute rape.

## **STALKING IS**

A repeated course of conduct directed at a specific person (when based on gender or sex) that places that person in reasonable person for her/his safety or others' safety or causes the victim/survivor to suffer substantial emotional distress.

## **AFFIRMATIVE CONSENT IS**

An informed, affirmative, conscious, voluntary, and mutual agreement to engage in sexual activity. It is the responsibility of each person involved in the sexual activity to ensure that he or she has the affirmative consent of the other participant(s) to engage in the sexual activity. Lack of protest or resistance does not mean affirmative consent, nor does silence mean affirmative consent. Affirmative consent must be voluntary, and given without coercion, force, threats, or intimidation.

The existence of a dating or social relationship between those involved, or the fact of past sexual activities between them, should never by itself be assumed to be an indicator of affirmative consent. A request for someone to use a condom or birth control does not, in and of itself, constitute affirmative consent.

Affirmative consent can be withdrawn or revoked. Consent to one form of sexual activity (or one sexual act) does not constitute consent to other forms of sexual activity (or other sexual acts).

Affirmative consent cannot be given by a person who is incapacitated. A person is unable to consent when s/he is asleep, unconscious, or is incapacitated due to the influence of drugs, alcohol or medication so that s/he could not understand the fact, nature, or extent of the sexual activity. A person is incapacitated if s/he lacks the physical and/or mental ability to make informed, rational decisions.

## **RELATIONSHIP VIOLENCE (INCLUDING DATING, DOMESTIC AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE) IS**

A form of sexual violence and abuse committed by a person who is or has been in a social, dating, cohabitating, or intimate relationship with the victim/survivor regardless of the length of the relationship or gender of the individuals in the relationship. Relationship violence is about power and control. Physical violence frequently is accompanied by other forms of abuse, including emotional, psychological, financial or sexual, and relies on the use of threats, isolation and intimidation. The most dangerous time is shortly after a relationship has ended.

CSUN prohibits retaliation against any person for reporting sexual violence and relationship abuse or who cooperates with investigations of such reports.

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For more information, visit [www.csun.edu/shinealight](http://www.csun.edu/shinealight)