

## Sexual Violence Support Services and Reporting Options

The University of California is committed to creating and maintaining a community where all individuals who participate in University programs and activities can work and learn together in an atmosphere free of harassment, exploitation, or intimidation. The University prohibits sexual violence, including sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence and stalking; such behavior violates University policy and may also violate the law.

UC Davis takes all complaints of sexual violence very seriously. The safety and well-being of our students, faculty, and staff are among the University's highest priorities. Anyone who has been affected by sexual violence, whether on or off campus, is encouraged to utilize the support services listed here.

You have the right to choose whether you want to report an incident of sexual violence to the University, to local law enforcement agencies, to either or to both. You also have the right not to file a report. This handout provides a brief description of reporting options and the resources available for support regardless of whether you choose to report the incident.

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## SEXUAL VIOLENCE SUPPORT SERVICES AND REPORTING OPTIONS

### Support Services Available On and Off-Campus

#### Confidential campus resources:

- **CARE** (Center for Advocacy, Resources and Education)  
530-752-3299 [care.ucdavis.edu](http://care.ucdavis.edu)  
CARE is the advocate office for sexual and gender-based violence and sexual misconduct. CARE provides free, confidential crisis intervention, advocacy and accompaniment services to any survivor of sexual assault, intimate partner violence or stalking. The CARE unit serves in an advocacy role for your interests and needs, and will discuss options and procedures regarding academic and financial aid assistance, housing, safety, transportation, employment, and medical and counseling needs. Services are available to any UC Davis student, staff or faculty.
- **Counseling Services**  
(530) 752-2349  
[shcs.ucdavis.edu/services/counseling.html](http://shcs.ucdavis.edu/services/counseling.html)  
Counseling Services offers free, confidential short-term individual counseling to all registered UC Davis students.
- **ASAP** (Academic & Staff Assistance Program)  
530-752-2727  
[www.hr.ucdavis.edu/worklife-wellness/ASAP](http://www.hr.ucdavis.edu/worklife-wellness/ASAP)  
ASAP offers free, confidential assessment, intervention, consultation and referral services to all UC Davis faculty, staff and their immediate families.
- **WRRC** (Women's Resources and Research Center)  
530-752-3372 [wrrc.ucdavis.edu](http://wrrc.ucdavis.edu)  
The WRRC spaces, programs, and services are open to all. The WRRC offers confidential support and referrals on a wide range of topics, including sexual assault and dating violence.
- **LGBTQIA** (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual Resource Center)  
530-752-2452 [lgbtqia.ucdavis.edu](http://lgbtqia.ucdavis.edu)  
The LGBTQIA Resource Center provides an open, safe, inclusive and confidential space and community for all individuals.

- **Office of the Ombuds**  
530-219-6750 [ombuds.ucdavis.edu](http://ombuds.ucdavis.edu)  
The UC Davis Ombuds Office is a confidential, independent, impartial, and informal problem-solving and conflict management resource for all members of the UC Davis campus community.
- **Family Protection and Legal Assistance Clinic**  
530-752-6942  
[law.ucdavis.edu/clinics/family-protection-clinic.html](http://law.ucdavis.edu/clinics/family-protection-clinic.html)  
The Family Protection and Legal Assistance Clinic provides free legal representation to victims of domestic violence seeking restraining orders in Yolo and Sacramento County.
- **ASUCD Legal Services**  
530-752-1990 [asucd.ucdavis.edu/units/legal-services](http://asucd.ucdavis.edu/units/legal-services)  
ASUCD legal services provide each UC Davis undergraduate student a free fifteen minute consultation with an attorney.

#### Additional campus resources (non-confidential)

- **HDAPP** (Harassment & Discrimination Assistance and Prevention Program)  
530-752-9255 [hdapp.ucdavis.edu](http://hdapp.ucdavis.edu)  
HDAPP assists individuals and campus units with resolving sexual harassment, sexual violence and discrimination complaints. HDAPP can help you understand what your options are and connect you with other support services and resources. You may consult with HDAPP anonymously if you choose. However, if you provide identifying information about yourself or the person who engaged in the sexual harassment or sexual violence, the University may have an obligation to take action.
- **Student Judicial Affairs**  
530-752-1128 [sja.ucdavis.edu](http://sja.ucdavis.edu)  
The Office of Student Judicial Affairs serves the campus by enforcing student conduct standards and by upholding student rights and responding to student grievances.



- **Title IX Officer: Wendi Delmendo**  
530-752-9466 [wjdelmendo@ucdavis.edu](mailto:wjdelmendo@ucdavis.edu)  
In situations where the sexual violence affects the victim's educational program or employment, victims have the right to make a report to the University's Title IX Officer.

#### Off-campus confidential resources:

- **Empower Yolo**  
530-662-1133 or 916-371-1907 [empoweryolo.org](http://empoweryolo.org)  
Empower Yolo provides confidential crisis intervention, advocacy and accompaniment services to survivors of violence in Yolo County.
- **Women Escaping a Violent Environment, (WEAVE)**  
916-920-2952 or 866-920-2952 (toll free)  
[www.weaveinc.org](http://www.weaveinc.org)  
WEAVE is the primary provider of crisis intervention services for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault in Sacramento County.
- **My Sister's House**  
916-428-3271 [www.my-sisters-house.org](http://www.my-sisters-house.org)  
My Sister's House provides culturally specific domestic/dating violence services to the Asian/Pacific Islander community.

#### Non-citizens who experience sexual violence may need specialized assistance with concerns related to their immigration status. These resources may be able to help:

- **Services for International Students and Scholars**  
530-752-0864 [siss.ucdavis.edu](http://siss.ucdavis.edu) (non-confidential)
- **Center for International Education**  
530-757-8686  
[cie.ucdavis.edu/general-information/center-international-education-visa-information](http://cie.ucdavis.edu/general-information/center-international-education-visa-information) (non-confidential)
- **California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation, Inc.**  
916-446-7904 [www.crlaf.org](http://www.crlaf.org) (confidential)
- **Catholic Charities of Sacramento, Inc. – Centro Guadalupe Immigration Program**  
916-443-5367  
[www.catholiccharitiessacramento.org](http://www.catholiccharitiessacramento.org) (non-confidential)
- **Opening Doors, Inc.**  
916-492-2591 [www.openingdoorsinc.org](http://www.openingdoorsinc.org) (non-confidential)

### Reporting Sexual Violence to the University

You can report an incident of sexual harassment or sexual violence to the University by contacting the Harassment & Discrimination Assistance and Prevention Program (HDAPP) at 530-752-2255. If you would like a victim advocate to accompany you when making a report, you may also contact the Center for Advocacy, Resources and Education (CARE) at 530-752-3299.

### Formal University Investigation

Most allegations of sexual violence that are reported to the University are investigated. If an investigation is warranted, the University's Title IX Officer will appoint a University investigator. Both you and the accused individual will be notified of the investigation, and each of you will have the same rights during it, including, but not limited to, the right to: (1) be accompanied by an adviser of your choice at any investigatory interview, and (2) be simultaneously informed in writing of the outcome of the investigation.

The University investigator will separately meet with you, the accused individual, and other potential witnesses, to gather information. When the fact-gathering portion of the investigation is complete, the investigator will prepare and submit a report addressing whether or not University policy was violated. If there is a finding of a policy violation, the University will consider disciplinary action against the accused. If the investigation report finds no violation of University policy, the matter will be closed. If necessary, measures will continue to be taken to ensure that you feel safe.

If the investigator concludes that the University's policy was violated, disciplinary action is considered according to the procedures described in the appropriate policy (see Appendix II of the UC Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence Policy, <http://policy.ucop.edu/doc/4000385>). The investigation report may be used as evidence in disciplinary hearings. The University will simultaneously inform both you and the accused (1) of the procedures and deadlines associated with any disciplinary proceeding; (2) the outcome of the proceeding; (3) the procedures and deadlines for appealing the outcome, if applicable, (4) any change to the outcome of the disciplinary action before the action becomes final, and (5) when the action becomes final.

### Reporting to Law Enforcement

You may report an incident to law enforcement at any time. In the event of an emergency where you need immediate

assistance, dial 9-1-1 to be connected with the nearest police department. If there is no emergency, you can file a police report in the jurisdiction where the assault occurred. You can reach the UC Davis Police Department at 530-754-2677 (campus) or (916) 734-2555 (UCD Medical Center), or the City of Davis Police Department at 530-747-5400. A victim advocate from CARE can assist you with filing a police report with any jurisdiction.

### Interim Protections

Whether you choose to report the incident or not, you are encouraged to contact CARE where all intervention services are confidential, free, and available to any UC Davis student, staff, or faculty. A victim advocate can discuss protective measures you may want to consider, which may include the following:

- Obtaining orders of protection, no contact orders, restraining orders, or similar lawful orders issued by criminal or civil courts. These orders would be honored both on and off-campus and the victim advocate could assist with making any necessary accommodations to enforce an order.
- Creating a plan to limit or prevent contact between you and the other person. This may include making changes to class, work situations, transportation, or housing arrangements for you or the accused, regardless of whether the crime is reported to campus police or local law enforcement.
- Taking steps to increase your sense of safety and security while you continue with your classes, work and other activities.

Depending upon the circumstances of the case, the University may consider other interim measures. If the accused is a student and if the circumstances warrant it, the University may decide that an interim suspension is necessary.

### Confidentiality

The University will protect the privacy of everyone involved in a report of sexual harassment and sexual violence to the greatest degree possible under the law and University policy. Certain University officials – supervisors, faculty, coaches and other officials -- have an obligation to report incidents of sexual harassment and sexual violence, even if the person making the report requests that no action be taken. If you prefer to seek assistance that will not lead to a report, consider talking with one of the University's confidential resources before making an official complaint. Confidential resources for the campus include CARE, Counseling Services, ASAP, WRRC, LGBTQIA, and the Ombuds Office.

### Timing and Preservation of Evidence

If you decide you would like to report an incident, you are encouraged to file a report as soon as possible. Delays in reporting may make gathering evidence more difficult which may in turn affect criminal prosecutions and University investigations. Regardless of whether the incident is reported to the police, it is important to seek immediate medical attention, even if there is no evidence of serious injury. A medical examination is important to check for sexually transmitted diseases or other infection/injuries, and for pregnancy. A CARE advocate can help you find an appropriate medical provider.

You are encouraged to preserve all physical evidence if you are a victim of sexual assault (i.e. do not bathe, douche, change clothing, clean the bed/linen/area where assault occurred). If the sexual assault happened within 72 hours, you may choose to have an evidentiary exam in order to collect evidence of the assault. The CARE victim advocate can help you to arrange this exam even if you have not decided whether you want to report the incident.

Victims/survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, and dating violence are encouraged to also preserve evidence by saving text messages, instant messages, social networking pages, other communications, pictures, logs or other copies of documents that may be useful to University investigators or police.

### Additional Information

The following resources provide more information on sexual harassment and sexual violence:

- Website for information on sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking, <http://sexualviolence.ucdavis.edu>
- Website for Center for Advocacy Resources and Education (CARE), <http://care.ucdavis.edu>
- Website for Harassment and Discrimination Assistance and Prevention Program (HDAPP), <http://hdapp.ucdavis.edu>
- The UCD sexual harassment and sexual violence policy PPM 400-20, <http://manuals.ucdavis.edu/ppm/400/400-20.pdf>