# Sexual & Relationship Violence Resource Guide

What a UMass community member can expect when reaching out about: sexual harassment, sexual assault, rape, dating/intimate partner or domestic violence, stalking, cyber-stalking, and/or retaliation

## CONFIDENTIAL: Will Not Report to Title IX Coordinator
(Organizations that offer support and are not required to report to university officials)

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<th>Center for Women &amp; Community (CWC)</th>
<th>University Health Services (UHS)</th>
<th>UMass Amherst Police Department (UMPD)</th>
<th>Dean of Students Office (DOSO)</th>
<th>Equal Opportunity (EO)</th>
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<td>24 hour/7 days per week counseling line: 413-545-0800 All genders welcome</td>
<td>413-577-5000 Cooley Dickinson Hospital ER 413-582-2000</td>
<td>Emergency: 911 413-545-2121</td>
<td>for undergraduate and graduate students 413-545-2684</td>
<td>for students, university staff, faculty, and contractors 413-545-3464</td>
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When you contact CWC, you remain in control of what happens. You will receive non-judgmental support, information, and any of the following resources you choose:

- Assistance in addressing safety concerns
- Help getting a ride to the hospital
- An Advocate to support you at the hospital
- Help talking with police, courts, getting a restraining order
- Support in talking with Dean of Students Office

CWC offers FREE services to survivors of all gender identities, as well as friends, partners, and family members of survivors/victims

When you go to the medical facility, they can provide free Sexual Assault evidence collection including:
- Physical exam(s) to check for injury
- Medication for (possible) infection(s)
- Toxicology screening for alcohol/drugs
- Testing for sexually transmitted infections
- Emergency contraception

The staff will also call a CWC advocate to provide confidential support during your visit. If you are concerned about the hospital exams/tests being listed on a health insurance bill, a CWC Advocate can help

UMPD can:
- Provide information about civil and criminal complaints
- Take a formal report of an assault/harassment
- Conduct an investigation
- Assist with night-time and weekend access to emergency restraining orders
- Civilian Advocate provides confidential support and advocacy, including services for victims/survivors affiliated with the Amherst Police Department. Has office hours at CWC

Your name and/or the name of the defendant will not be published in a police log

DOSO can:
- Support students with filing or responding to sexual misconduct complaints
- Answer questions about university policies and reporting options
- Coordinate changes in housing assignments
- Refer & connect to counseling and other support resources
- Help navigate campus services/resources (Bursars, Registrars, Financial Aid, parking)
- Assist with academic requests (e.g. deadline extensions, course changes, and late additions/withdrawals)

In most cases, the survivor remains in control of whether or not to file a formal complaint. However, if community safety is jeopardized, the university may move forward with a conduct complaint on its own.

The Equal Opportunity Office oversees Title IX compliance for the university. EO can assist with:

- Discussing options if a student, staff, faculty, or contractor has experienced or witnessed sexual harassment or sexual misconduct.
- Working informally with both parties to find a mutually agreeable resolution
- Filing a formal sexual harassment complaint

## Other Confidential Campus Resource

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<th>Center for Counseling &amp; Psychological Health: 413-545-2337; 24 hour emergency: 877-831-7421</th>
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<td>24/7 emergency mental health crisis intervention services, consultation and assessment</td>
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<td>Short-term individual, couples, and group psychotherapy, workshops, and support groups</td>
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## Confidential Community Resources

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<th>Safe Passage Domestic Violence Program: 1-888-345-5282</th>
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<td>Peer counseling; help talking with police, courts, getting a restraining order</td>
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<td>Financial assistance; shelter</td>
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<th>Northwestern District Attorney’s office: 413-586-9225</th>
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<td>Assistance in filing a criminal complaint</td>
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<td>Information about the Massachusetts criminal justice system</td>
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What is Title IX?
Title IX is a federal law that protects members of our campus community from sex or gender-based discrimination and violence in terms of education and employment. Gender-based discrimination, including discrimination based on an individual’s gender expression, is prohibited at any UMass affiliated event by Title IX and/or University policy. UMass is committed to providing an environment free from gender-based discrimination, harassment, sexual assault, stalking, or domestic violence. Any member of the campus community who experiences gender-based discrimination is entitled to file a report and/or complaint with the Title IX Coordinator, the Dean of Students Office, or the Equal Opportunity Office.

What is a Title IX Responsible Employee?
The university has designated certain employees as “responsible employees” who are required under Title IX and University policy to promptly report any potential incident of sexual misconduct, sexual assault, sexual harassment, relationship violence, stalking or other assault or harassment involving a UMass student and/or employee.

Who is a Title IX Responsible Employee?
Responsible employees include senior administrators, faculty with administrative or supervisory responsibilities, academic advisors, coaches and trainers, advisors to RSOs, employees in Student Affairs and Campus Life (unless they are designated as “confidential” such as licensed clinicians, clergy, or certified rape crisis or domestic violence counselors), and staff in managerial and supervisory roles.

What if I talk or write about a personal experience with sexual violence in a class or paper?
If you share an experience of violence in class via discussion or assignment, and it is clear that the violence occurred while you were affiliated with UMass, the faculty or TA may report to the Dean of Students Office.

What happens when the Dean or Title IX Coordinator receives my report?
The Dean or Title IX Coordinator will follow up with you to discuss options for support and accountability.

Anyone can be a target of violence; whether you identify as male, female, or transgender; straight, queer, or questioning.

Not sure what to do? Call CWC: 24/7; 365 days a year @ 413-545-0800