SEXUAL ASSAULT | ASSISTING STUDENT SURVIVORS

A resource for faculty and staff responding to students who disclose that they have been sexually assaulted

WHAT IS SEXUAL ASSAULT?

- Sexual assault is any unwanted sexual contact within or outside a relationship
- Sexual assault is a crime and is never the fault of the survivor
- Sexual assault happens to people of all ages, genders, and sexualities

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN SOMEONE DISCLOSES A SEXUAL ASSAULT

Survivors of sexual assault will express a range of emotional and physical symptoms. Sexual assault is never the fault of the survivor and each may react differently. Survivors are the experts in determining what steps and supports are best for them.

YOUR ROLE

Responding to and supporting someone who has been sexually assaulted can be complex but chances are they have come to you because they trust you. Be compassionate, respectful, and supportive. Ensure they can access resources.

HOW TO ASSIST



If someone is in immediate danger or needs urgent medical attention, call Emergency Services: 9.1.1

Encourage the student to seek medical care and confirm they have somewhere safe to stay.

♥ VANCOUVER GENERAL HOSPITALSEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICE (24-HOUR SERVICE)

Assessment and treatment of injuries, sexually transmitted infections, and pregnancy prevention as well as forensic evidence collection and emotional support. Campus Security or Student Health Service will arrange and provide a coupon for taxi service to VGH. Vancouver General Hospital - Jim Pattison Pavilion 899 West 12th Avenue 604.875.2881

O STUDENT HEALTH SERVICE

Provides medical services (not including forensic exams) in a caring, safe, and confidential space. UBC Hospital 2211 Wesbrook Mall, Room M334 604.822.7011 students.ubc.ca/student-health-service

○ EMERGENCY UBC STUDENT HOUSING

On-campus emergency housing is available through the Commuter Student Hostel.
Assistant Director, Residence Life
604.827.5724 or 604.822.5412
Director, Residence Life and Administration
604.822.5779
After hours: Campus Security 604.822.2222

2 LISTEN AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

- ✓ Allow the survivor to lead the conversation.
- ✓ Listen without interrupting. Encourage the survivor to take their time if necessary.
- ✓ Respect the words they use to describe what's happened to them.
- ✔ Believe and support the survivor. Remind them they are not at fault.
- ✓ Encourage the survivor to seek the support they need and allow them to make their own decisions.
- Ask what you can do to be supportive. Ease any concerns the student might have about academic considerations in the moment.

I'm here to listen and can help connect you to any supports you feel you need.

UBC has places you can go to get information or support confidentially.

Even if you don't know what you want to do right now, it can be helpful to talk to someone about your options.

3 PROVIDE INFORMATION ON RESOURCES BY COPYING THE BACK PAGE

Be sure the student is aware of UBC and community support services listed on the back page.

You don't need to know or recommend which service the student might want to follow up with. Simply providing the options supports the student.



 $Taking\ care\ of\ your\ own\ well being\ is\ important.\ You\ can\ get\ support\ through\ UBC\ EFAP: 1.800.387.4765$

If you'd like to speak with someone about how to refer a student to specific support services or to put the appropriate accommodations in place, please call Student Development & Services in the Vice-President, Students office at 604.827.2565 or email urgent.vps@ubc.ca.



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RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS

Q AMS SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT CENTRE (SASC)

Provides information, advocacy, and support with reporting and connection to services.

Nest 3127
6133 University Blvd.
604.827.5180
sasc@ams.ubc.ca
amssasc.ca

Q COUNSELLING SERVICES

Provides free one-on-one counselling to support students who have been sexually assaulted and/or impacted by sexual abuse and other forms of sexualized violence. Brock Hall 1874 East Mall, Room 1040

Lower Mall Research Station 2259 Lower Mall, Room 358

604.822.3811 students.ubc.ca/counselling

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♥ VICTIMLINK

24-hour, multilingual service. 1.800.563.0808 TTY: 604.875.0885 Text: 604.836.6381 victimlinkbc.ca

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604.822.2222 vancouver.housing.ubc.ca/ other-housing/commuter-student-hostel

♥ WOMEN AGAINST VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN (WAVAW)

24-hour service including hospital accompaniment. 604.255.6344 1.877.392.7583

UBC CAMPUS SECURITY

Provides 24/7 response and assistance with safety planning. Also keeps records of each sexual assault reported to Campus Security. 604.822.2222 security.ubc.ca

☐ STUDENT SERVICES WEBSITE

The sexual assault page on the Student Services website provides more information and resources for survivors.

students.ubc.ca/sexual-assault

REPORTING OPTIONS

A survivor can report an assault to local law enforcement, the University, neither or both. UBC does not require a survivor to report an assault, and will provide support services and necessary accommodations.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE (RCMP) UBC DETACHMENT

If the assault took place on campus. 604.224.1322 rcmp-grc.gc.ca/detach/en/d/256

LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

If the assault took place off campus, it can be reported to the police department or law enforcement agency for the district where the assault occurred.

UNIVERSITY PROCESSES

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

If the assault took place on campus or, in certain circumstances, off campus, and the assault was committed by a UBC student, it can be reported to the Student Conduct Manager or Campus Security under the Student Code of Conduct. 604.822.1602

students.ubc.ca/campus/student-code-conduct

EQUITY AND INCLUSION OFFICE

If the assault was committed by any UBC employee, and it occurred on or, in certain circumstances, off campus, the assault can be brought to the Equity and Inclusion Office, which will work with Human Resources or Faculty Relations and the unit involved on support, reporting, and investigation. 604.822.6353 equity.ubc.ca

ASSISTANCE WITH REPORTING

Student support professionals in the Vice-President, Students office can work with students to put the appropriate supports and accommodations in place, provide information on reporting options, and facilitate the reporting process should a student choose to make a report. Please contact the Vice-President, Students office at 604.827.2565 or email urgent.vps@ubc.ca

