

## What is sexual misconduct?

Sexual misconduct is a broad term used to describe conduct of a sexual nature that is prohibited. Sexual misconduct includes but is not limited to:

- Sexual assault
- Rape
- Sexual harassment
- Dating violence
- Domestic violence
- Stalking

## If you have been a target of sexual misconduct, resources for you include:

### CONFIDENTIAL COUNSELING RESOURCES

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

### ON CAMPUS:

- Sexual Assault Awareness & Facilitative Education Office (SAAFE):
  - Crisis: 219.386.3128
  - Office: 219.464.6860
  - SAAFE.office@valpo.edu
- Counseling Center: 219.464.5002
- University Pastors: 219.464.5093
- Student Health Center: 219.464.5060

### OFF CAMPUS:

- The Caring Place: 219.464.2128
- National Sexual Assault Hotline: 800.656.HOPE
- RAINN (Rape, Abuse, Incest Nat'l Network): 800.799.7233

## Non-Confidential Resources

- Title IX Coordinator:
  - Title9@valpo.edu
  - 219.464.6370
  - Reporting form available at [www.valpo.edu/titleix](http://www.valpo.edu/titleix)
- Valparaiso University Police: 219.464.5430

### REPORT A CONCERN AND GET SUPPORT

Students who wish to report an incident of sexual misconduct may seek assistance from staff listed as “Non-Confidential Resources.” The staff will protect your privacy by limiting the people with whom they share what you tell them; however, they cannot guarantee complete confidentiality, as they must notify the Title IX Coordinator.

The University will attend to your immediate needs for safety and interim measures (e.g. no contact orders, housing and academic accommodations, counseling, escort).

For additional support and information about options and resources, you are encouraged to contact the SAAFE Office located in the Counseling Center on the north side of Alumni Hall.

# TITLE IX HERE'S HOW WE CAN HELP

## Resources and reporting options for sexual misconduct

Emergency/Urgent Assistance

► **Call 911**

Medical Help

► **Porter Hospital Emergency Room**



## REPORTING OPTIONS

### REPORT OR FILE A COMPLAINT WITH

- Title IX Coordinator
- Valparaiso University Police

File a University complaint with the Title IX Coordinator

File a criminal complaint with Valparaiso University Police.

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*A criminal complaint and investigation does not relieve the University of its obligation to respond to an incident of sexual misconduct. You may choose to file a University complaint, a criminal complaint, both, or neither. If you choose to file a criminal complaint through the Valparaiso City Police, Valparaiso University Police will provide you with support throughout the process.*

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## HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP

### Bystander Intervention

**FIRST,** Notice the Event  
*(At what point could you notice?)*

**SECOND,** Interpret the Event as an Emergency Problem *(What are the red flags?)*

**THIRD,** Assume Personal Responsibility  
*(What could you do?)*

**FOURTH,** Have the Skills to Intervene S.E.E. — Make the intervention Safe, Early, and Effective.

**Safe Responding:** *Decide a course of action that best ensures the safety of those involved.*

**Early Intervention:** *Intervene **BEFORE** it becomes a problem, crisis, or disaster.*

**Effective Helping:** *Develop specific direct or indirect helping skills for emergencies and non-emergencies.*

**FIFTH,** Implement the Help — **STEP UP!**

## THE SAAFE OFFICE

The SAAFE Office continues to pursue, as its mission, campus awareness of sexual misconduct. Awareness leads to collaboration with one another in promoting preventative measures to counteract sexual violence and the lack of respect for others. We work with all to sustain the culture of respect between and within genders.

For those who are targets of sexual violence, sexual harassment, stalking, dating, or domestic violence, the SAAFE Office can provide multiple solutions, remedies, safety measures, resources, and help that are relevant and critical to the situation. **Once you know you are safe, please make the next call to the SAAFE Office.** The Victim Advocate has the expertise and the experience to be of help to you and to assure that you are making decisions that are right for you.

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