

IF YOU FEEL YOU ARE A VICTIM, CONSIDER THESE FIRST STEPS

Get Help

- Get to a safe place as soon as you can.
- If you believe you or anyone else is in immediate danger, call 911 as soon as possible.
- Once you are safe, contact someone you trust to be with you for support.

Get Medical Attention

- Seek medical attention as soon as possible.
- Medical attention may be necessary to mitigate the risk of sexually transmitted diseases or pregnancy.
- Even if you think you are physically OK, you may have injuries that need treatment.
- Forensic evidence can be collected if criminal action is desired or may be desired in the future.

Preserve Evidence

- Evidence may be used to provide proof of criminal activity or in obtaining a protection order.
- Evidence is best collected as soon as possible or within 120 hours of the assault.
- Medical and/or law enforcement personnel can assist with evidence collection and preservation.
- If you choose not to make a police report, you should still consider preserving evidence in the event you change your mind at a later date.
- Seek counseling support from one of the on-campus resources or in the community.
- Remember that self-care is an important part in coping with the event.

Consider Reporting the Incident

- Contact campus or local law enforcement.
- File a Title IX complaint. University authorities will assist in notifying law enforcement if requested.
- Contact the campus victim advocate.

HERE TO HELP

PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Grand Valley recognizes all valid orders of protection including cease and desist, no contact orders, personal protection, or similar lawful orders. If you have a valid order, please inform GVPD to receive appropriate services. The university can provide protective measures for the complainant in the form of changes in academic or living situations, counseling, and no contact orders.

UNIVERSITY DISCIPLINARY PROCESS

The university disciplinary process includes a prompt, fair, and impartial investigation and resolution process. Investigators are trained annually on the issues related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and taught how to conduct an investigation that protects the safety of the complainant and promotes accountability.

SANCTIONS

The Dean of Students Office may impose sanctions on the respondent following a final determination of a Title IX investigation for sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking. Sanctions include formal reprimand, disciplinary probation, restriction from employment at the university, restorative justice project, university housing transfer or removal, professional assessment, removal from specific courses or activities, removal or nonrenewal of academic scholarship, no contact, restitution, suspension, or expulsion from the institution.

Sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking may be found to be criminal acts, which may also subject the respondent to criminal and civil penalties under federal and state law.

INFORMATION CONFIDENTIALITY

The university will work with you to protect your privacy by sharing information with only those who need to know. You should discuss your desires regarding the sharing of information with any university employee with whom you speak, to ensure you understand their reporting obligation and what information they may be required to share.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Grand Valley State University Police Department
Emergency 911
Nonemergency (616) 331-3255
gvsu.edu/gvpd
gvsu.edu/vro



Grand Valley State University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity institution. It encourages diversity and provides equal opportunity in education, employment, all of its programs, and the use of its facilities. It is committed to protecting the constitutional and statutory civil rights of persons connected with the university. 6/16.

SEXUAL ASSAULT, DATING VIOLENCE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND STALKING:

VICTIM RIGHTS, OPTIONS, AND RESOURCES

REPORTING SERVICES

FOR EMERGENCIES, DIAL 911

Law Enforcement

GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT (GVPD)

Responds to and investigates incidents on the Allendale Campus, 24-hours a day, seven days a week

Nonemergency (616) 331-3255

OTTAWA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Responds to and investigates incidents in Ottawa County

Nonemergency (800) 249-0911

GRAND RAPIDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Responds to and investigates incidents in the City of Grand Rapids, including the Robert C. Pew Grand Rapids Campus

Nonemergency (616) 456-3400

PEW CAMPUS SECURITY GRAND RAPIDS

Responds to incidents on the Pew Grand Rapids Campus

Nonemergency (616) 331-6677

Title IX Coordinator

Under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, sexual violence is considered a form of sexual discrimination. Victims are encouraged to file a Title IX sexual discrimination complaint at the Office of Inclusion and Equity with the Title IX coordinator.

4035 James H. Zumberge Hall
(616) 331-9530

Campus Victim Advocate

Trained campus victim advocates assist those who have been a target of relationship violence or sexual assault. The campus victim advocate provides resources independently of your decision to report or not report the incident to law enforcement or the university disciplinary process. If you decide to report the incident, the campus victim advocate will help facilitate your connection with the appropriate campus and community offices or agencies.

Women's Center
1201 Russel H. Kirkhof Center
(616) 331-2748

MEDICAL SERVICES

Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) Programs

These on-call nurse examiner programs are especially for victims of sexual assault for evaluation, treatment, and evidence collection. They are available at no cost 24-hours a day.

YWCA OF GRAND RAPIDS

25 Sheldon Blvd., Grand Rapids, MI 49503
(616) 776-RAPE (776-7273)

CENTER FOR WOMEN IN TRANSITION (CWIT)

411 Butternut Dr., Holland, MI 49424
(800) 848-5991

Spectrum Health (Hospital)

Spectrum Health is a full-service major trauma hospital located in downtown Grand Rapids.

100 Michigan St NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503
(616) 391-1774

Campus Health Center

The GVSU Campus Health Center offers general medical care, including women's health services and physical exams.

Allendale Campus, Water Tower Place
10383 42nd Avenue, Suite A
(616) 252-6030
Open M–F, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. and M/Th, 9 a.m.–6 p.m.

CONFIDENTIAL COUNSELING SERVICES

UNIVERSITY COUNSELING CENTER

The University Counseling Center provides free and confidential help to GVSU students for a variety of personal and emotional situations, including sexual assault.

204 Student Services Building
(616) 331-3266

ENCOMPASS

GVSU's employee assistance program, Encompass, provides professional and confidential counseling to full-time employees.

1090 James H. Zumberge Hall
(800) 788-8630

CAMPUS RESOURCES

Assistance with Protective Measures

A variety of advocate services are available to help with requests for protective measures, such as assistance in changing academic, living, transportation, and/work situations, or other protective measures. To make a request for a protective measure, contact one of the following:

Title IX Coordinator (616) 331-9530

or

Campus Victim Advocate (616) 331-2748

DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE

202 Student Services Building • (616) 331-3585

VISA AND IMMIGRATION ASSISTANCE

Barbara H. Padnos International Center
130 Lake Ontario Hall • (616) 331-3898

HUMAN RESOURCES

1090 James H. Zumberge Hall • (616) 331-2215

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

100 Student Services Building • (616) 331-3234

DISABILITY SUPPORT RESOURCES

4015 James H. Zumberge Hall • (616) 331-2490

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

LEGAL AID OF WESTERN MICHIGAN

89 Ionia Ave NW, Suite 400
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
(616) 774-0672
www.legalaidwestmich.org

Personal Protection Orders

Personal protection orders may be filed at:

OTTAWA COUNTY 20TH CIRCUIT COURT

414 Washington Ave., Suite 300
Grand Haven, MI 49417
(616) 846-8320

KENT COUNTY 17TH CIRCUIT COURT

180 Ottawa Ave, NW, Suite 3500
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
(616) 632-5071