

Sexual & Gender-Based Violence

What You Need to Know About Finding Information, Assistance and Support, and Your Reporting Options

If you have experienced sexual or gender-based violence, you may think you're alone and without support. Far from it. There are many people at Shenandoah University who will provide information, assistance and support to ensure your physical and emotional wellbeing. Here are answers to questions about reporting, finding health-related resources and information about the formal complaint process.

REPORT To Local Authorities

Call the Winchester Police Department at 540-662-4131 if the sexual assault occurred on main campus or in a university-owned building downtown.

Call the Frederick County Sheriff's office at 540-665-5600 if the incident occurred at East Campus Commons or the Health Professions Building.

Go to the Winchester Magistrate Office at 141 Fort Collier Rd., Winchester, for orders of protection.

Department of Public Safety
Wilkins Building
540-678-4444
safety@su.edu

Title IX Coordinator - Peter Kronemeyer
Wilkins Administration Building,
Room 139
540-665-4921
nosexualmisconduct@su.edu

REPORT To University Authorities

On-Campus RESOURCES

Director of Learning Resources & Services

Holli Phillips
540-665-4928
hphillip@su.edu

Dean of Students Office

Sue O'Driscoll
540-545-7399
sodrisco09@su.edu

Residence Life

540-665-4611
reslife@su.edu

Hornet Central

540-665-4514
hornetcentral@su.edu

On-Campus Confidential Resources

Safety & Health Programs Coordinator
Sarah Celec
BSC, Room 122A
540-545-7339

Spiritual Life, Goodson Chapel
Rev. DeLyn Celec | dcelec@su.edu
Chaplain Hanaa Unus | hunus@su.edu

Wilkins Wellness Center
Racey Hall
540-665-4530
wwcenter@su.edu

Counseling Center
Cooley Hall, 3rd floor
540/665-4530

[Not Just] Women's Center
BSC, Room 122B
540-535.3463
thenjwc@su.edu

Though you may decide not to report the sexual assault, you are encouraged to go to a hospital as soon as possible after the assault. Ask for a Physical Evidence Recovery Kit (PERK). The Violence Against Women Act requires these sexual assault forensic exams be given free of charge so evidence is properly preserved.

Shenandoah's Reporting Process

The reporting party has the right to pursue an official complaint with local law enforcement and/or Shenandoah University.

If the reporting party does not want to pursue a claim or requests their complaint remains confidential, Shenandoah takes reasonable action in response to the reporting party's information, but the university's ability to respond will be limited by adherence to the reporting party's wishes.

While Shenandoah makes every effort to adhere to the wishes of the reporting party, officials must balance the needs of the individual with the obligation to protect the safety and well being of the community at large. Therefore, depending on the seriousness of the alleged incident, further action may be necessary.

In all cases of felony sexual violence, a report must be made to the Commonwealth Attorney. If such a report is made, the reporting party will be notified by the Title IX Coordinator.

REPORTING

RESOLUTION

Shenandoah University has policies and procedures in place to respond to sexual misconduct. The current policy can be found at: www.su.edu/sexualmisconduct.

In May of 2020, the Department of Education released new regulations on how institutions of higher education must respond to reports of sexual misconduct. Shenandoah University is revising its policies and procedures to comply with the new laws. The implementation date of the new regulations is August 14, 2020.

The updated policies and procedures will be posted to: www.su.edu/sexualmisconduct.

Please contact the Title IX Coordinator with any questions you have regarding Shenandoah University's policies and procedures.

Actions that may be taken while a report is being investigated are...

- Interim suspension of the accused student
- University no-contact orders
- Modifying class or work schedules, making alternative housing arrangements
- Addressing other academic concerns
- Reporting to local law enforcement
- Obtaining a protective order from the Magistrate, General District judge or Juvenile & Domestic Relations judge.

ACTIONS

Off-Campus Resources

Concern Hotline, Inc.
540-667-0145 (24-hour hotline)

The Laurel Center for Domestic & Sexual Violence Intervention
540-667-6160

Winchester Medical Center
540-536-8000

Frederick County Victim Witness Program for Support and Guidance
540-665-6369

Winchester Victim Witness Assistance Program for Support and Guidance
540-667-5770