

# Southern Connecticut State University

## Sexual Misconduct (Sexual Harassment, Sexual Assault, Intimate Partner Violence, Stalking, and Sexual Exploitation) Reporting Options & Advocacy Services

### ADVOCACY SERVICES

Advocacy services are available to assist you and to answer any questions. You are not alone.

University Victim Advocates: Catherine Christy: (O) **203-392-6946** (C) **203-687-1252**; Melissa Kissi: (O) **203-392-6945** (C) **203-507-3751**.

Confidential community advocates can be reached at the 24 hr Sexual Assault hotline: **1-888-999-5545**;

24 hr Domestic Violence hotline: **203-789-8104**

- SCSU's HEALTH CENTER **203-392-6300** provides general medical care, testing for STI's/STD's and emergency contraception.
- Yale New Haven Hospital **203-688-2222** and Hospital of Saint Raphael **203-789-3000** can administer evidence collection kits in order to collect physical evidence that can be used at a later time in a criminal case. Kits can be performed within 5 days, but ideally within 3 days of the incident.
- PRESERVE ALL PHYSICAL EVIDENCE of the assault. Do not shower, bathe, douche, or brush your teeth. Save all of the clothing you were wearing at the time of the assault. Place each item of clothing in a separate paper bag. Do not use plastic bags. Do not disturb the area where the assault occurred.
- YOU CAN BRING A SUPPORT PERSON(S) of your choice with you, including a friend or advocate from the Women and Families Center. The evidence from a rape kit is given a case number and sent anonymously to the police, just in case the survivor ever decides to file a report.
- UNIVERSITY POLICE CAN PROVIDE SAFE RIDES to the hospital, resources permitting.

**Yes**

Are you currently safe?

**No**

**Call University Police 203.392.5375 or 911**

Do you need medical attention and/or would you like to get an evidence collection kit (rape kit) performed?

**Yes**

**Unsure**

Would you like to talk to someone about reporting options and/or advocacy/support services?

**Yes**

**No**

**Report anonymously**

- EVEN IF YOU ARE UNDECIDED about whether you want to make a police report, you are encouraged to have evidence collected as soon as possible after a sexual assault. You do not need to file a police report to have an evidence collection kit performed. There is time to change your mind to file a report, but there is limited time to collect evidence. This is the best way to keep your options open for the future.
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Please know that you can access any of the resources listed at any time and that you will not be pressured to make any decisions.

#### MAKE A FORMAL REPORT

- To press **criminal charges if the perpetrator is an employee or student**, contact University Police @ **203-392-5375**
- To press **charges with the university if the perpetrator is a student**, contact the Office of Student Conduct and Civic Responsibility @ **203-392-6188**
- To press **charges with the university if the perpetrator is an employee or student** contact Paula Rice, Title IX Coordinator @ **203-392-5568**

#### ON CAMPUS SUPPORT

- SCSU Counseling Services: **203.392.5475** (Confidential)
- SCSU Health Services: **203.392.6300** (Confidential)
- SCSU Marriage and Family Clinic: **203-392-6413** (Confidential)
- Catherine Christy, University Victim Advocate: O: **203.392.6946** C: **203.687.1252**
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#### Silent Witness Program

**If you have witnessed a crime, or you know a crime was/will be committed, please visit [SouthernCT.edu/silentwitness](http://SouthernCT.edu/silentwitness).** A member of SCSU Police Department will investigate the information provided. You will not be contacted unless you provide your contact information. All tips remain

#### OFF CAMPUS SUPPORT

- Women & Families Center: **1.888.999.5545** 24/7 & Confidential
- The Umbrella Center for Domestic Violence Services: **203.789.8104** 24/7 & Confidential

# SCSU SEXUAL MISCONDUCT REPORTING OPTIONS & ADVOCACY SERVICES

Acts of sexual misconduct (sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and sexual exploitation) are a violation of Southern Connecticut State University policy and state and federal law. SCSU is a community that values respect of all its members and you have the right to a safe and welcoming campus environment. We encourage you to report any incidents of sexual misconduct and/or utilize the support and advocacy services available to you. Your safety and well-being are important to us and we want to help!

## SCSU REPORTING OPTIONS

ALL CRIMINAL COMPLAINTS– University Police: 203-392-5375 or 911

ALL UNIVERSITY COMPLAINTS– Title IX Coordinator, Paula Rice: 203-392-5568

STUDENT COMPLAINTS- Office of Student Conduct and Civic Responsibility, Christopher Piscitelli, Director, 203-392-6188

## ADVOCACY & SUPPORT SERVICES

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SCSU Health Center (*Confidential*): 203-392-6300

SCSU Marriage and Family Clinic (*Confidential*): 203-392-6413

Women & Families Center (24/7 & *Confidential*): 1-888-999-5545

The Umbrella Center for Domestic Violence Services (24/7 & *Confidential*): 203-789-8104

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***A complete list of SCSU Support and Resource team (SART) members are available on our website [SouthernCT.edu/sart](https://southernct.edu/sart)***

## Be Informed: Know Your Campus Crime Report!

We want you to be informed of the number of incidences of sexual assault, intimate partner violence and stalking reported to the University. To view the entire Campus Crime Report, you can visit: <https://inside.southernct.edu/sites/default/files/a/inside-southern/university-police/SCSU%20CleryReport2019web.pdf>

Sex Offenses (includes rape, fondling, incest and statutory rape)	2018	2017	2016
On Campus	11	5	6
Non-Campus Property	0	0	0
Public Property	0	0	0
Residential Facility	11	3	5
<b>Total</b>	11	5	6

Domestic Violence	2018	2017	2016
On Campus	4	10	10
Non-Campus Property	0	0	0
Public Property	0	0	1
Residential Facility	2	5	7
<b>Total</b>	4	10	11

Dating Violence	2018	2017	2016
On Campus	4	3	5
Non-Campus Property	0	0	0
Public Property	0	0	1
Residential Facility	3	1	1
<b>Total</b>	4	3	6

Stalking	2018	2017	2016
On Campus	10	4	6
Non-Campus Property	0	0	0
Public Property	0	0	0
Residential Facility	6	0	5
<b>Total</b>	10	4	6