

Statement on Sexual Misconduct and Sexual Violence

Sexual misconduct and sexual violence violate the values of our community and are unacceptable at the college. Sexual misconduct and sexual violence can be devastating to the person who experiences it directly and can be traumatic to the person's family, friends and the larger Olin community as well. Anyone who believes they have been sexually assaulted is encouraged to learn about the reporting options and resources available as outlined in this brochure and detailed on the sexual misconduct web page on the Olin website.* When the college receives a report about sexual misconduct or sexual violence, we are required to follow up on the report using the information that we are given.

** Reporting options are described in detail on the Olin website: www.olin.edu/students/sexual-misconduct-info/.*

Sexual Misconduct and Sexual Violence Resources



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Key Terms and Definitions

Sexual Misconduct is a broad term used to encompass a range of behaviors including but not limited to sexual harassment, sexual assault, coercion, sexual exploitation, dating violence, domestic violence, relationship violence, stalking and/or acts perpetrated against a person's will or when a person is incapable of giving consent. All such acts of sexual misconduct are prohibited by Olin College.

Some behaviors covered by these definitions might be referred to as rape or sexual battery in criminal statutes. Terms that are also used culturally include date rape, acquaintance rape or intimate partner violence. Sexual misconduct can occur between individuals who know each other, have an established relationship, have previously engaged in consensual sexual activity and between individuals who do not know each other. Sexual misconduct can be committed by persons of any gender identity, and it can occur between people of the same or different sex.

Resources

If you are in immediate danger, call: Public Safety at 781.239.5555 or State Police at 9.1.1

On-campus

Public Safety: 781.239.5555

R2-on call: 781.953.0061

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Colony Care Behavioral Health: 781.431.1177 x213 or lkinneylicsw@yahoo.com (Laura Kinney is our main Olin contact at Colony Care. Leave your name and number and she or another counselor will call you back.) Colony Care comes to Olin once a week during the academic year.

Health Services: To schedule an appointment use your Olin student email address to log into <https://babson.medicatconnect.com> or call: 781.239.6363. Office hours are posted in the Student Handbook and at: <http://www.babson.edu/offices-services/health-services>.

Peer Advocates for Sexual Respect: Trained confidential peer resources. Student co-leaders: Jessica Diller, jessica.diller@students.olin.edu and Ellie Funkhouser, Eleanor.funkhouser@students.olin.edu. You can find a list of current Peer Advocates on the sexual misconduct page of the Olin website.

Off-campus

Needham Police Department: 781.455.7570

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Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (BARCC): 800.841.8371
<http://www.barcc.org/>

Reach Beyond Domestic Violence: 800.899.4000
<http://www.reachma.org/>

Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC):
781.453.3000
148 Chestnut St., Needham, MA 02492
<http://bidneedham.org/>

Newton Wellesley Hospital:
Domestic and Sexual Violence Services:
617.243.6521
2014 Washington St., Newton, MA 02462
<http://www.nwh.org/>

Colony Care Behavioral Health:

781.431.1177 x213 or lkinneylicsw@yahoo.com (Laura Kinney is our main Olin contact at Colony Care. Leave your name and number and she or another counselor will call you back.) Colony Care's office is off-campus. Call 781.235.2200 (Wellesley Transportation) to arrange for a free ride; identify yourself as an Olin student.

Fenway Health: Focused on the LGBTQI community, Fenway Health Violence Recovery Program.
617.927.6250
<http://fenwayhealth.org/>

Needham Police Domestic Violence Action Committee: 781.455.7500 x511

GLBTQ Domestic Violence Project:
Hotline: 800.832.1901
www.glbtqdv.org

Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence:
617.338.2355
www.atask.org

The Network/La Red Ending Abuse in Lesbian, Bisexual Women's and Transgender Communities:
Hotline: 617.742.4911
www.tnlr.org

Domestic Violence SafeLink: 24-hour, multilingual resource.
Hotline: 877.785.2020

Options

As a victim/survivor or friend helping someone, it's important that you know what options are available to you. In addition to the options below this pamphlet contains a list of resources here at Olin and in the greater Boston area. This includes contact information for staff in the Office of Student Affairs and Resources, area hotlines, contact information at the local hospitals and phone numbers for local police. Our goal is to provide you with support and information that you can use now or in the future.

Please note, by choosing one of the resources in this pamphlet or the options below for a particular course of action, you are not limited in who else you can contact for help or any additional courses of action that you want to pursue. For example, choosing to file a report with the Honor Board does not mean you can't pursue criminal charges or can't request a no-contact order from the Office of Student Affairs. **All** of these options are available to you. Similarly, you can call as many people on the Resources list as you need to. Contacting one does not mean you can't contact another.

Office of Student Affairs and Resources

The Office of Student Affairs and Resources can help discuss any of the options in this pamphlet and can also help arrange counseling. The Dean of Student Affairs can also issue no-contact orders and emergency suspensions. Alison Black is the Title IX Coordinator and is required to track and investigate all reports of sexual misconduct. However, victims can request confidentiality during this process and it will be honored as much as possible. Privacy is always of the utmost concern.

Counseling

The Office of Student Affairs and Resources works with a wide range of counselors that can meet with you on-campus or off-campus. We can help set up the appointment or you can set up an appointment on your own by calling the number listed in the Resources section. Meetings with counselors are completely confidential and there is no financial charge to the Olin student.

Honor Board

Reports of sexual violence and sexual misconduct may be sent to the Honor Board by framing the incident around the values of the Honor Code or the policies outlined in the Student Handbook. Victims of sexual misconduct and sexual assault can report an incident to the Honor Board, police or both. The Honor Board can review a streamlined report or conduct a full hearing.

Local Hospitals and Police

All incidents can be reported to the police. A member of the Student Affairs or Public Safety staff can help with this process if desired. Reporting an incident to the police does not mean you have to press charges. In addition, local hospitals can also assist with support services and can help gather evidence for a victim. If you choose to visit a hospital for evidence collection, this does **not** mean you must report the incident to the police. Evidence can be collected independently with no ties to the police.

Retaliation against complainants and anyone participating in an investigation is prohibited.