# Bystander Intervention

Title IX Office





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### What we are doing today

1

Understand effective bystander intervention.

2

Recognize
warning signs
and practice
building
healthy
communities.

3

List interpersonal violence resources.



#### **Ground Rules**



What is said here stays here, what is learned here leaves.



If you take space, make space.



This is a practice space. We are not expecting perfection and experts.



Take care of yourself and the people around you.



### **Shared Language**

#### **Sexual Assault**

 Sexual contact or behavior that occurs without the explicit consent of all parties.

#### **Dating Violence**

 A pattern of behaviors used by one partner to maintain power and control over another partner in an intimate relationship.

#### Stalking

 A pattern of behavior directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for the person's safety or the safety of others or suffer substantial emotional distress.



#### **UNMC Policy No. 1107, Sexual Misconduct**

Sexual misconduct, which includes domestic violence, dating violence, sexual harassment, sexual assault, sexual exploitation, and stalking, is unacceptable behavior under University of Nebraska policy and against the law.



# Relationships of Equality vs. Relationships of Power & Control

### **Relationship Dynamics**



Non-**Threatening Behavior** 

**Negotiation & Fairness** 

**Shared Power** 

Respect

Using Economic **Abuse** 

Using Intimidation

> **Using Emotional Abuse**

**Equality** 

**Trust & Support** 

Using Privilege

**Power** & Control

Using Isolation

**Self Confidence** & Personal Growth

**Honesty &** Accountability

**Using Children** 

Minimizing, Denying, & Blaming



# Poll: Have you seen sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating violence, and/or stalking in a movie or TV show?



Poll: Do you know someone who has experienced sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating violence, and/or stalking?



#### Prevalence of Sexual Violence

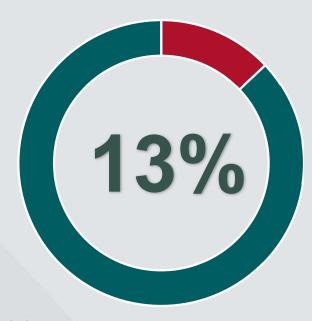




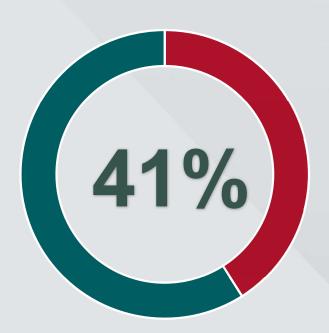
Basile KC, Smith SG, Kresnow M, Khatiwada S, & Leemis RW. (2022). *The National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey:* 2016/2017 *Report on Sexual Violence*. Atlanta, GA: National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.



# 2019 DATA FROM THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES



Of undergraduate and graduate students experienced nonconsensual sexual behavior.



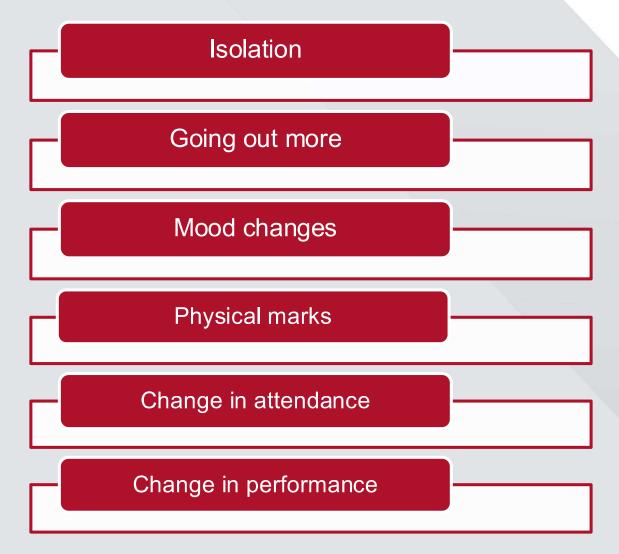
Of undergraduate and graduate students experienced sexual harassing behavior.



# **Warning Signs**

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Warning Signs that someone is experiencing sexual assault, intimate partner violence, or stalking.





## **Bystander Intervention Basics**



### What makes intervention important?



# What stops people from intervening?



#### What stops people from intervening

#### Social Influence

 No One is Doing Anything

# Pluralistic Ignorance

 No One Else Cares

# Diffusion of Responsibility

 Someone Else Will Help

**Embarrassment** 

Retaliation

Berkowitz, A. D. (2009). Response ability: A complete guide to bystander intervention. Beck & Co.



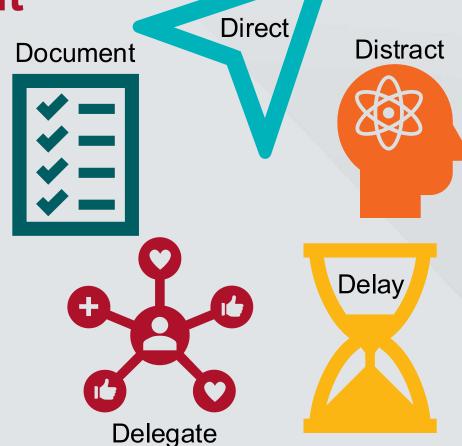
# The 5 Ds of Bystander Intervention Upstander Skills



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# You Choose the Tool

- Stay Safe
- Early Intervention is Best
- Employ Effective Helping

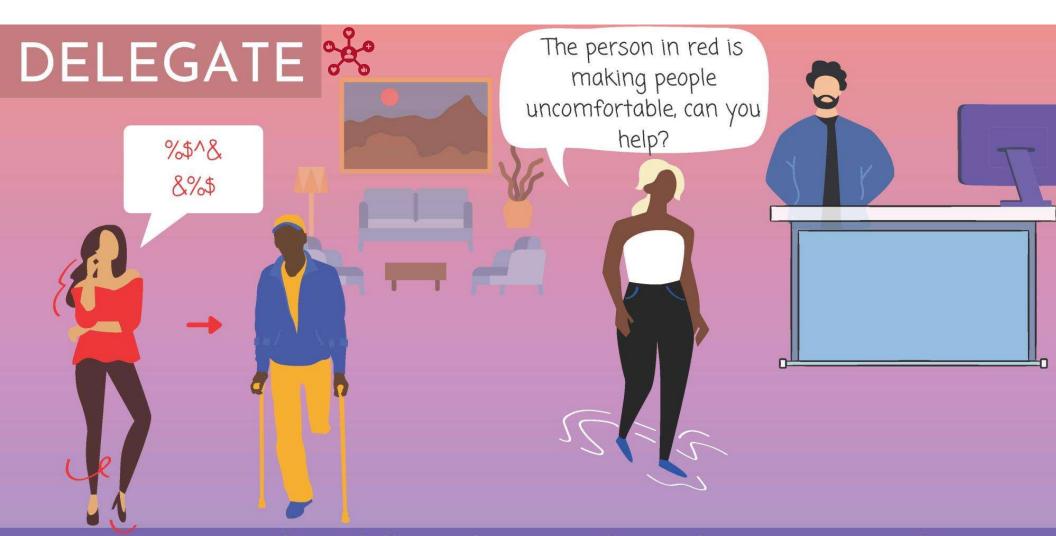




Assess your safety, skills, and surroundings. If you are safe, with confidence, directly intervene or interject to stop the harassment.



Assess your safety, skills, and surroundings. If you are not safe to directly intervene, indirectly de-escalate through distraction.



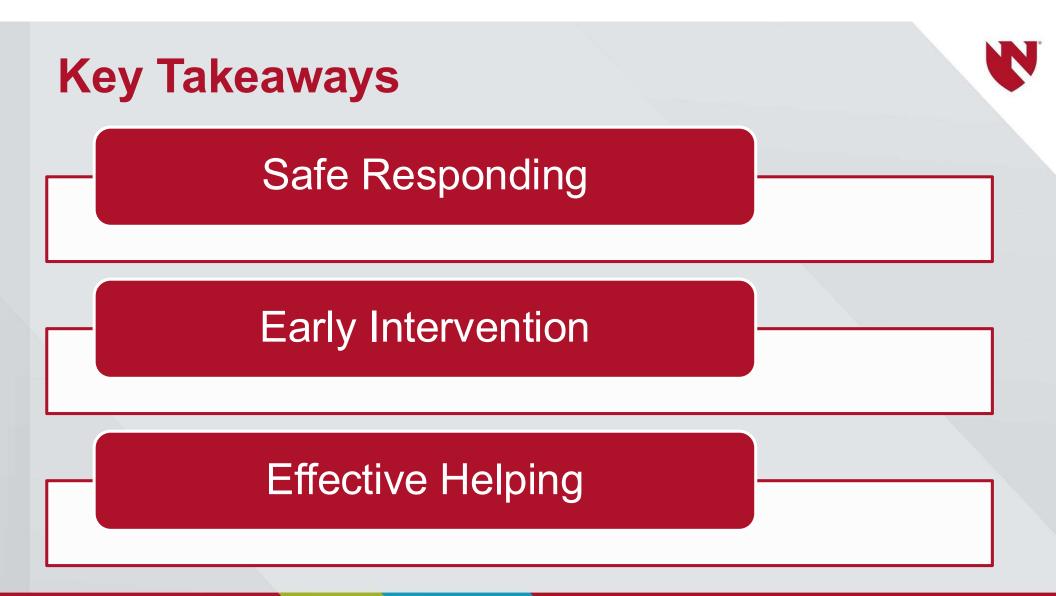
Assess your safety, skills, and surroundings. If you are not safe or do not have the skills to intervene, get help.



Assess your safety, skills, and surroundings. If you are not safe or do not have the skills to intervene, after the incident occurs check in with the person.



Assess your safety, skills, and surroundings. If you are not safe, do not have the skills to intervene, and there's others helping, record or take pictures of the incident





# Scenarios

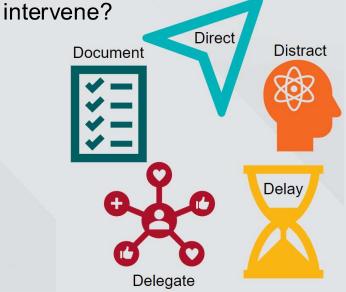
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- What barriers would you experience?
- As an Upstander, how would you intervene?

#### Info to Help Guide Discussions



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Sexual Assault

Dating Violence

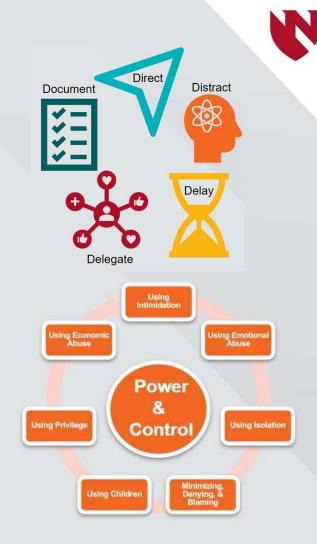
Incest

Stalking

Sexual Harassment

#### **Scenario One**

You are at a networking event hosted by a fellow professor in your department. Throughout the event, you notice your colleague, Dr. Scarlet, has been talking to the same student all night and has been continuously supplying them with drinks. You do not know the student, but you have heard rumors about Dr. Scarlet's history of dating students. Later in the night you overhear Dr. Scarlet offering to give the drunk student a ride home.



#### **Scenario Two**

You are having lunch with your coworkers. During lunch, your coworker Drew, who recently had a baby and is now on leave, is brought up. Several of your coworkers begin to complain about the coworker and the extra amount of work their leave has created for everyone else. Your coworkers then begin to make comments such as,

"Do you think Drew had a baby just to get out of work?"

"Do you think they'll still look as good with the baby weight?"

"With the way they flirt to get ahead at work, they should get a

paternity test."



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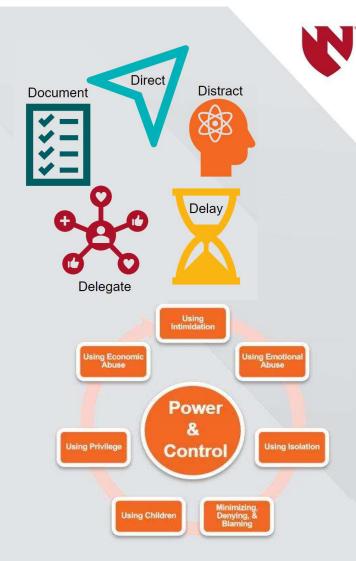
You have dinner with a colleague and their partner. During dinner, you notice your colleague's partner seems quieter and more withdrawn than they typically are. While your colleague and their partner are in the kitchen getting dessert, you overhear your colleague making comments such as,

"You can't leave me. You're nothing without me."

"Who else is going to take care of you? I pay for everything.

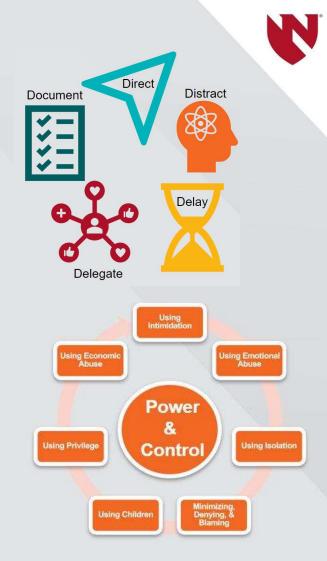
You haven't worked in years, no one is going to want to hire you."

"You're not as young as you used to be. No one is going to want you anymore."



#### **Scenario Four**

You are in a meeting with a student when they mention their discomfort with the pressure to be a more public-facing student. They understand the potential benefits of online networking and having the research they are doing publicly discussed, but they are concerned about the privacy risks. They mention not wanting people to know where they go to school or which lab they work in and how that might impact their feeling of safety on campus. The student mentions how they had to delete their social media accounts due to an ex and their desire to be private after it.



#### **Scenario Five**

While grabbing lunch, you run into Cameron, a student you have worked with in the past. Cameron seems visibly upset and tells you that they just came from a meeting with an advisor. During the meeting, Cameron discussed that their financial aid money is beginning to run out and they are uncertain of what to do. Cameron's advisor then proceeded to share several campus and community resources with Cameron, even offering to help them apply for scholarships. As Cameron was leaving, their advisor joked that if all else fails, Cameron can always become a stripper. Cameron then proceeds to explain how helpful their advisor has been over the years, and they are uncertain if one off-hand joke is worth severing that relationship.





#### Believe. Listen. Act.

- Be supportive and listen patiently
- Understand the person's feelings
- Connect the person to campus and community resources

- Explain that abuse is NEVER acceptable
- Focus on the person, not on the person who harmed them

#### Campus Resources

#### Title IV (

- Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)
- Confidential and Free
- Student Life Center 2031
- 24/7 support 402-559-7276 and press 2
- 402-559-7276
- unmc.edu/studentsuccess/supportservices/counseling/

- Arbor Family CounselingConfidential & Free
- through Employee
  Assistance Program
- 402-330-0960
- <u>arborfamilycounseling.c</u> om

#### **UNMC Public Safety**

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- 402-559-5555 or 911 for emergencies
- 402-559-5111 for nonemergencies
- unmc.edu/aboutus/publi c-safety/

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#### **UNMC Ethics Point**

- UNMC Compliance Hotline at 1-844-348-9584
- Nebraska EthicsPoint

#### **UNMC Title IX Advocate**

- Kelly Blecha
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### **Kearney Community Resources**

#### S.A.F.E. Center

- 24/7 hotline 877-237-2513
- 308-237-7273
- safecenter.org

#### **UNK Police**

- 308-865-8911 for non-emergencies
- 911 for emergencies
- unk.edu/offices/police/



### **Lincoln Community Resources**

#### **Voices of Hope**

- Crisis hotline 402-475-7273
- 402-476-2110 for nonemergencies
- voicesofhopelincoln.org

#### **UNL Police**

- 402-472-2222 for non-emergencies
- 911 for emergencies
- police.unl.edu



### **Norfolk Community Resources**

#### **Bright Horizons**

- Call 877-379-3798
- Text 402-370-8817
- brighthorizonsne.org

#### **Campus Security**

- 402-841-5163
- northeast.edu/Campus-Safety/Campus-Security



### **Omaha Community Resources**

# Women's Center for Advancement (WCA)

- Advocates are available 24/7/365
- 24/7 hotline 402-345-7273
- wcaomaha.org

#### **Heartland Family Services**

- 402-552-7400
- heartlandfamilyservice.org



## **Scottsbluff Community Resources**

#### The Doves Program

- Call 308-436-4357 or 866-953-6837
- Text 515-599-6620
- dovesprogram.com

#### Scottsbluff Police Dept.

- 308-632-7176 for non-emergencies
- 911 for emergencies
- Scottsbluff Contact Information



#### **National Resources**

### **National Domestic Violence Hotline**

- 24/7/365 support
- 1-800-799-7233
- TTY 1-800-787-3224
- thehotline.org

## Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network

- 24/7/365 support
- 1-800-656-4763
- rainn.org

# National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

- 24/7/365 support
- Text or Call 988
- 988lifeline.org

#### **Trans Lifeline**

- 24/7/365 support US and Canada
- 1-877-565-8860
- translifeline.org

# You've completed Bystander Intervention Training, now what?





Incorporate
bystander tips
and practice into
meetings, events,
and classrooms.



for support services openly displayed and readily available if needed.



When you see someone intervene, provide encouragement.



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# **UNMC Post Training Survey**

Title IX Survey

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