**TITLE IX**

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.) prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs receiving Federal financial assistance. Title IX states: “No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.”

- Title IX prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs or activities operated by recipients of Federal financial assistance.
- Sexual harassment of students, which includes acts of sexual violence, is a form of sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX.
- Title IX applies also to same-sex, bisexual and transgender students.

**Sexual Violence**

- Sexual violence refers to physical sexual acts perpetrated either against a person’s will or where a person is incapable of giving consent due to the victim’s use of drugs or alcohol.
- An individual also may be unable to give consent due to an intellectual or other disability.
- A number of different acts fall into the category of sexual violence, including rape, sexual assault, sexual battery, and sexual coercion. All such acts of sexual violence are forms of sexual harassment covered under Title IX.

**Reporting Sexual Misconduct**

All individuals are expected to promptly report conduct that may violate UNMC Sexual Misconduct Policy to the University. UNMC will offer supportive measures to Complainants whether or not a Formal Complaint is filed. “Supportive measures” means non-disciplinary, non-punitive individualized services offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, and without fee or charge to the Complainant. Students who seek to report may contact:

- UNMC Title IX Coordinator: Carmen Sirizzotti, MBA 402.559.2710 | csirizzotti@unmc.edu
- University Public Safety for assisting in filing a criminal complaint and preserving physical evidence, and/or local law enforcement to file a criminal complaint.

**RESOURCE LIST**

**Confidential Resources**
- Health & Wellness Counseling: 402.844.7277
- Student Health Clinic: 402.844.8300 | 301 N 27th St, Ste 2

**Campus Resources**
- Campus Security: 402.841.5163
- Title IX Coordinator: Carmen Sirizzotti, MBA 402.559.2710 | csirizzotti@unmc.edu
- Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Success: Philip Covington, EdD 402.559.2792 | philip.covington@unmc.edu
- UNMC Compliance Hotline: 1.844.348.9584 | nebraska.ethicspoint.com
- Financial Aid Office: 402.559.6409
- International Students Office: 402.559.8326

**Off-Campus Resources**
- Faith Regional Health Services ER: 402.371.4880 | 2700 W Norfolk Ave
- Sunny Meadow Medical Clinic PC: 402.370.4100 | 305 N 37th St
- Bright Horizons Hotline/Crisis: 1.877.379.3798
- Police Department: 402.644.8700 or 911
- Legal Aid of Nebraska: 1.877.250.2016 | legalaidofnebraska.org

**Hot Lines – 24/7**
- National Sexual Assault: 1.800.656.HOPE (4673)
- National Domestic Violence: 1.800.799.SAFE (7233)

**National Websites**
- Know your rights Title IX: knowyourix.org
- Not Alone: youth.gov
- Nebraska Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence: nebraskacoalition.org
- RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network): rainn.org
- LGBTQ: The Survivor Project: survivorproject.org
- Male Survivors of Sexual Trauma: malesurvivor.org

**SEXUAL VIOLENCE**

**it can happen to you**

**NORFOLK CAMPUS**

**A Resource for Men to Find Help and Healing**

It’s on all of us to stop sexual assault.
Take the pledge to be part of the solution at ItsOnUs.org
Responding to Sexual Violence
- Here at UNMC we care about the well-being of our students. If you experience sexual violence we offer you help in several ways.
- UNMC wants to ensure you are able to obtain the assistance and support needed; to get help, feel secure and begin the healing process.
- We hope this information is helpful for you or a friend, if you experience sexual violence.

Was It My Fault?
Men and boys can be victims of sexual violence as children, teens or adults. Sexual violence is never the fault of the person who experienced sexual violence.

As a survivor you may blame yourself:
- “If I hadn’t gotten in the car.”
- “If I hadn’t gone to their room drunk.”
- “I should have known better than to study at their house.”

Do not blame yourself.

After Effects of Sexual Violence
- Post Traumatic Stress disorder (PTSD) severe feelings of anxiety, stress or fear
- Depression: emotional and psychological reactions due to the sexual violence experience
- Flashbacks: when memories of past traumas feel as if they are taking place in the current moment
- Develop sleeping and/or eating disorders
- Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)
- Substance abuse: you may turn to alcohol or other substances in an attempt to relieve emotional suffering
- Self-harm/self injury and/or suicidal thoughts, please seek help immediately by calling 911, go the nearest Emergency room or call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline for help 24 hours a day at 800.273.TALK (8255).
- Difficulties in studying and/or concentrating

Effects can be immediate or delayed. They can be brief in duration or last a very long time.

For additional information please visit: unmc.edu/TitleIX