

Notice - Sexual Assault and Harassment Resources | Fall 2022

WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF SEXUAL ASSAULT OR HARASSMENT

Any California Western School of Law (California Western) student or employee who has experienced sexual assault is encouraged to **immediately notify law enforcement and/or seek immediate medical assistance**. Timely reporting and a medical examination with 72 hours are critical in preserving evidence of sexual assault and proving a criminal or civil case against a perpetrator. However, a student or employee may report incidents of sexual assault, harassment or violence at any time.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AND CONTACT INFORMATION

POLICE AND LOCAL EMERGENCY ROOMS¹	HOSPITALS (SART² resource facilities)	COUNSELING AND CRISIS CENTERS
Emergency 9-1-1	Balboa Naval Medical Center 619-532-8275	CA Crime Victims Crisis Hotline 619-232-3300
San Diego Police 619-531-2000 (24/7 Main #)	Children's Hospital 858-576-5803	Center for Community Solutions (CCS) Sexual Assault or Domestic Violence 858-272-1767 888-385-4657 (Hotline Toll Free)
Scripps Mercy Hospital 619-686-3800 (ER)	Palomar Hospital 760-739-3800	Women's Resource Center 760-757-3500
Sharp Memorial Hospital 858-939-5611 (ER)	Pomerado Hospital 858-613-4457	
UCSD Medical Center – Hillcrest 619-543-6222 (Main)		

Individuals are encouraged to make a prompt report to California Western. The complainant's identity and the allegations are typically revealed only to those who need to know, including: the alleged target of harassment (if different from the complainant); the alleged harasser; any witnesses; and California Western officials responsible for investigating and/or making decisions regarding the complaint. Retaliation against any party involved in connection with a complaint is a separate actionable offense. Confidentiality will be maintained throughout the investigative process to the extent practical and appropriate under the law.

CONFIDENTIAL AND NONCONFIDENTIAL REPORTING OPTIONS

Confidential Reporting Options

Individuals are encouraged to make a prompt report to law enforcement and to the school. Confidential resources will not share information with the school nor will speaking with a confidential resource trigger action by the school unless there is an imminent threat to self or others.

CA Crime Victims Crisis Hotline
619-232-3300

San Diego Victim Assistance Program
619-531-4041

San Diego Rape Crisis Hotline - CCS
888-385-4657 Toll Free

Women's Resource Center
760-757-3500

¹ Under California law, medical personnel are required to report to the police instances in which they observe physical injury caused by sexual assault.

² SART stands for "Sexual Assault Response Teams" and they are trained to assist victims of sexual assault, collect evidence using SART/rape kits, and work with local police and state officials.

Non-Confidential Reporting Options

Non-confidential resources have an obligation to report or take action on any complaints they receive. To the extent permitted by law, the confidentiality and identities of all parties involved will be observed provided it does not interfere with the School's ability to conduct an investigation or take any corrective action deemed appropriate. California Western encourages all individuals to make a prompt report to the school using the options below. The Campus Resources are required to refer such incidents to the Title IX Coordinator who will ensure a prompt and equitable review, investigation, and resolution.

On Campus

Title IX Coordinator
Dean of Students
619-515-1588
TitleIXCoordinator@cwsl.edu

Deputy Coordinator – Employees
Vice President of Administration
619-515-1588
DeputyCoordinator-Employees@cwsl.edu

Campus Security
619-525-1417

Deputy Coordinators - Students
Asst. Dean for Student &
Diversity Services
619-515-1576
DeputyCoordinator-Students@cwsl.edu

Off Campus

San Diego Police Dept.
619-531-2000 (non-emergency)
619-531-2210 (sex crimes unit)

San Diego County Office of the
District Attorney
619-531-4040

San Diego Office of the City Attorney
619-236-6220

San Diego Victim Assistance Program
619-531-4041

GENERAL INFORMATION

Title IX and Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA)

Title IX prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in any federal funded education program or activity. Sexual harassment, which includes sexual violence, is a form of sex discrimination. VAWA prohibits domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. For information about Title IX compliance or VAWA, please contact the Title IX Coordinator above.

Review, Investigation, and Resolution

California Western will support any complainant or respondent in understanding how to navigate the complaint processes. In general, California Western, after consultation with a complainant, will pursue a Title IX assessment. California Western may then seek an informal resolution or refer the matter for investigation. At the conclusion of the investigation, disciplinary or corrective action may be imposed.

Interim Measures

At any time during the investigation, California Western may take interim measures to protect the parties involved and ensure that all safety and physical well-being concerns are being addressed. These measures may include separating the parties, placing limitations on contact between the parties, or making alternative arrangements for classes and tests. California Western will not tolerate retaliation and will take immediate and responsive action to retaliation or any violation of protective interim measures.