

SEXUAL  
assault

— AWARENESS & SAFETY —

— explained for —

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Beyond a Brochure:  
Training International Students  
on Sexual Assault Awareness

# Student Stories: Cultural Backgrounds Explored



Cultural Views on Sexual Assault:  
International Student Stories

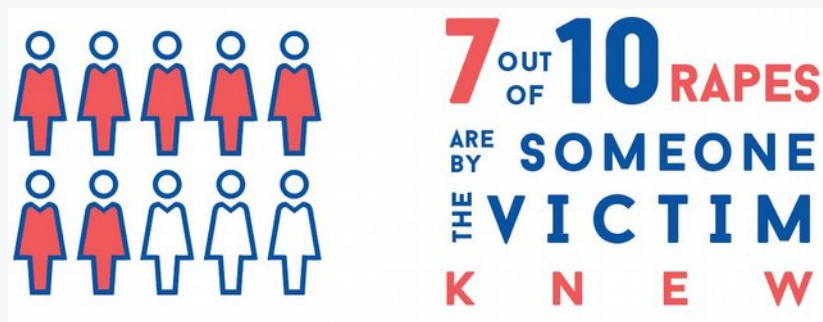
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# Agenda

- Statistics
- Consent
- Staying Safe & Bystander Intervention
- Dealing with an Incident
- Resources

# Introduction to Sexual Assault

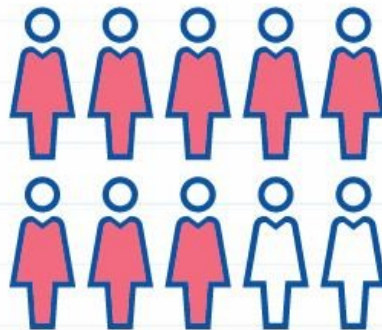
## Statistics



Statistics from RAINN.org

# Majority of Sexual Assaults are Not Reported

ONLY <sup>1</sup> OF FEMALE  
**20** STUDENT  
PER CENT VICTIMS  
**REPORT TO LAW  
ENFORCEMENT**



<sup>1</sup>Statistic from RAINN.org

# Additional Challenges for International Students

International students bring their respective cultures and expectations to the United States. A victim will face many obstacles but there are additional barriers including:

- Language
- Cultural differences
- Lack of support network
- Impact on their student status



# Consent

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## What is Consent?

Words or actions, freely and actively given by each party, which a reasonable person would interpret as a willingness to participate in agreed-upon sexual conduct.

- Informed (knowing)
- Voluntary (freely given)
- Active (not passive)
- Clear words or actions
- Has to be contemporaneous to the actions
  - Can't have talked or texted about the acts 2 hours earlier and now think the other person is consenting
- Can be withdrawn at any time as long as the withdrawal is clearly communicated by the person withdrawing it

No means no but nothing also mean no

Silence is not consent but the lack of consent is



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## Consent Cannot be Given When

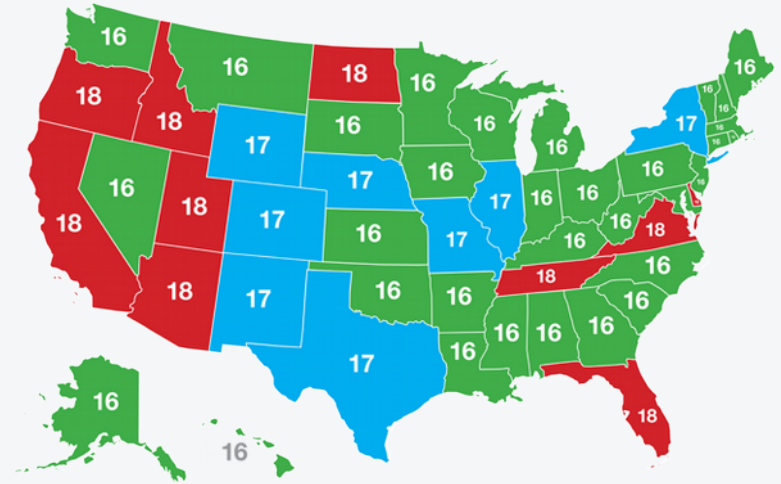
- ✓ a person's judgment is substantially impaired by alcohol or drugs or otherwise incapacitated
- ✓ intimidation, coercion, or threats are involved
- ✓ physical force is used
- ✓ a physical or mental condition is present such that the person cannot knowingly or voluntarily give consent
- ✓ a person has not achieved the age required for consent, 16 in Pennsylvania

# Consent *for* International Students

Consent has many definitions in different countries. This is a key concept to helping your international students understand consent.

In the US, consent is NOT:

- Marriage/being in a relationship
- A person's clothing
- Flirting/Kissing/Touching
- Being incapacitated
- Previous consent
- Being alone with another person
- Being under the legal age of consent



What's the age of consent in your state?

Staying  
Safe

# Safety on Campus

Informing your international students on ways to staying safe on campus and actively care for their peers:

- Build a relationship with your students
- Know your on and off campus resources
- Encourage your students to be active bystanders

**Bystander Intervention** involves developing the awareness and courage needed to intervene in a situation when another individual needs help.

# Bystander Intervention

When it comes to taking a stand and helping someone in need, your students may use **CARE**:

- **C**reate a distraction - do what you can to interrupt a situation if you see something occurring
- **A**sk directly - talk to the person in trouble and see if they need help
- **R**efers to an authority - talk to a person in charge such as a bartender, security guard or police
- **E**nlist the help of others - ask others to help you intervene

# It Begins at Orientation

- Talk to students about safety and sexual assault at orientation;
- Talk to students about safety resources:
  - Blue call boxes and cameras
  - Safe ride, Virtual walk
  - Emergencies
  - Shuttles
  - Campus Safety/UP number--make them put it in the for text alerts
- Let them know they can report to you as a Mandatory Reporter



# Resources

- Website that includes the Title IX policy, a link to file a report, and other resource links
- Equal Opportunity, Harassment, and Nondiscrimination Policy pamphlets all over campus
- Flyers in the bathrooms and other visible areas with resources on how to get help
- Presentations by Title IX coordinators
- Title IX training for faculty and staff
- Sex Signals at orientation
- Alcohol Education
- BIT or CARE Teams (usually includes reps from all over campus)
- What other resources does your institution have?

# Dealing with an Incident



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Safety is the #1 priority. Let the student know if you are a mandatory reporter, and help the student reach a safe location. Make sure they know it's not their fault.

Inform victims of their rights and options. Students victims of sexual assault may:

- Choose to report it to the police
- Choose to file a report with the school
- Seek medical assistance
- Find counseling and support services



# Title IX and International Students

- A school has a responsibility to respond promptly and effectively.
- If a school knows or reasonably should know about sexual harassment or sexual violence that creates a hostile environment, the school must take immediate action to eliminate the sexual harassment or sexual violence, prevent its recurrence, and address its effects.

# Additional Resources

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### Powerpoint Presentation

Comprehensive, professionally designed presentation to walk your students through the program.



### Video Content

Two videos on sexual assault awareness and student perceptions from around the world.



### Student Handout

A downloadable student guide take-away, or we can supply hard copies, to distribute to students.



### Interactive Activities

Activities that allow students to form into groups and learn about sexual assault & consent.



### Proctor Guide

Complete guide to walk you through the program and how to present the session to students.

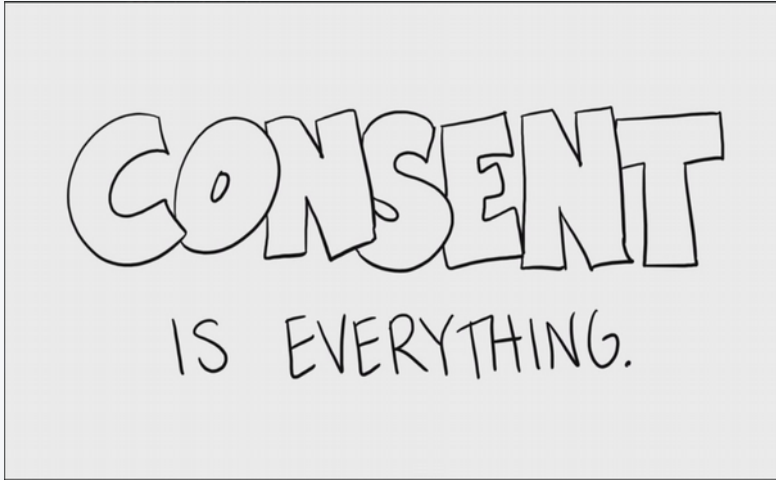
# Sexual Assault Awareness Video



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# Other Video Resources

## Consent of Tea:



## 2 Minutes Will Change the Way You Think About Consent





### [National Sexual Assault Hotline](#)

- Runs the 24/7 Sexual Assault Hotline
- Free & Confidential
- Call: 800.656.HOPE(4673)

### [Prevention Navigator](#)

- Find sexual assault prevention programs

### [Find Sexual Assault Service Providers](#)

- Identifies independent providers to help survivors in your area

Students that are exposed to themes like **sexual assault** and educated in **consent** and bystander intervention are at **less risk**.



Thank you!