



## WEST COAST UNIVERSITY'S NOTICE OF COMPLAINANT'S AND RESPONDENT'S RIGHTS

West Coast University does not discriminate on the basis of sex in its educational programs. Sexual harassment and sexual violence are types of sex discrimination. Other acts can also be forms of sex-based discrimination and are also prohibited whether sexually based or not and include dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking. As a result, the College issues this statement of policy to inform the community of this comprehensive plan addressing sexual misconduct, educational programs, and procedures that address sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, whether the incident occurs on or off campus and when it is reported to a college official. In this context, WCU prohibits the offenses of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking and reaffirms its commitment to maintain a campus environment emphasizing the dignity and worth of all members of the college community.

It is the policy of West Coast University that no member of the campus community - students, faculty, administrators, staff, vendors, contractors, or third parties, may conduct sexual violence or harassment on any other member of our community.

For a complete copy of West Coast University's Sexual Misconduct Policy Governing Students and Associates, <https://westcoastuniversity.edu/uploads/pdf/Sexual-Misconduct-Policy.pdf>, <https://westcoastuniversity.edu/uploads/pdf/Conduct-Code-Policy.pdf> <https://ask-fred.net/policies/AH/Associate%20Handbook.pdf#search=associate%20handbook>

### **NON-RETALIATION**

Retaliation is defined as the taking of an adverse action against a person *because of* his or her opposition to unlawful discrimination or participation in a complaint, investigation, or lawsuit about discrimination. Retaliation includes acts like taking actions to affect a person's academic or school-related activities such as threats, unjustified negative evaluations, unjustified negative references, or increased surveillance, and any other action such as an assault or unfounded civil or criminal charges that are likely to deter reasonable people from pursuing their rights.

Adverse actions do not include petty slights and annoyances, such as stray negative comments in an otherwise positive or neutral evaluation, "snubbing" a student, not talking to a student, or negative comments that are justified by a student's poor performance or history.

It is unlawful and a violation of this policy to retaliate against any person who has brought a good-faith complaint of discrimination or harassment or who has assisted in the investigation of a complaint of discrimination or harassment. Retaliation, whether actual or threatened, destroys the sense of community and trust that is critical to a learning and work environment. WCU considers acts or threats of retaliation in response to such disclosures or participation to constitute a serious violation of WCU's policy, which may result in disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal, against the retaliator.

It is important to note that impermissible retaliation can occur even in those circumstances where it is determined that the complaint brought was without merit.

Any person who believes he or she is being retaliated against because of making a complaint or assisting in an investigation in violation of this policy, should promptly report the concerns to the Title IX Coordinator. Allegations of retaliation will be handled through the Student Conduct Code or the Associate Handbook.

## **WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF SEXUAL ASSAULT**

### **Emergency Response**

**Are You in Danger Now? If you need help right now, call “911.”**

You can also call:

National Domestic Violence Hotline  
1-800-799-7233 TDD: 1-800-787-3224

- Get to a safe place. (For example -- someone’s home, the nearest hospital or police department)
- Call 911 to be taken to an emergency room for medical care and/or for immediate police protection and assistance. When you call 911, explain what has happened and request to be sent to an emergency department that has a SANE nurse (Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner.)
- Alternatively, go directly to the nearest Emergency Room. If you go to the nearest emergency department that does not have SANE services, you can be transferred to the nearest facility.

### **Preservation of Evidence:**

After an incident of sexual assault, the complainant should consider seeking medical attention as soon as possible at a local emergency room and to have a rape kit completed to preserve evidence in case the complainant decides to file a police report. No law enforcement charges are required in order to have a rape kit collected; however, the complainant must use his/her legal name.

It is important that a complainant of sexual assault not bathe, douche, smoke, change clothing or clean the bed/linen/area where they were assaulted if the offense occurred within the past 72-96 hours so that evidence as may be necessary to the proof that criminal activity is occurring or has occurred may be preserved. In circumstances of sexual assault, if complainants do not opt for forensic evidence collection, health care providers can still treat injuries and take steps to address concerns of pregnancy and/or sexually transmitted disease. Complainants of sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, and dating violence are encouraged to also preserve evidence by saving text messages, instant messages, social networking pages, other communications, and keeping pictures, logs or other copies of documents, if any exists that would be useful to the Institution’s grievance process or police.

### **Options for Reporting to Law Enforcement:**

Although the college strongly encourages all members of its community to report violations of this policy to law enforcement, it is the complainant’s choice whether or not to make such a report and complainants have the right to decline involvement with the police. If the complainant would like to contact Public Safety and/or local authorities either of the following maybe completed:

1. File a complaint but not have charges brought against the accused. Charges may be brought at a later time if desired and the prosecuting attorney’s office agrees, however, evidence may be lost. Victims of sexual assault are encouraged to get a rape kit done and cooperate fully with an investigation so the possibility of filing criminal charges may be an option when they are ready to pursue, if ever.)
2. File a complaint and ask that the investigation and charges be pursued immediately. While the prosecuting attorney is still the decision-maker in whether the perpetrator is charged criminally, the victim can cooperate

and provide as much timely cooperation and information as may be possible.

**IMPORTANT:** Victims under the age of 18 that file a report will be deemed a child in need and the appropriate authorities will make a decision of whether to pursue charges.

### **No Contact Orders**

If the accused individual is a member of the WCU community, a no contact letter will be given to all parties involved by the Institution until the conclusion of the investigation. This will prohibit communication between the parties, including contact verbally, in writing, through technology, or third parties. If you have been the victim of domestic or dating violence, stalking or sexual abuse, you may also want to consider obtaining an order of protection from the State of California.

### **Orders of Protection**

The Institution does not issue orders of protection. But victims may be able to secure an order of protection through the courts in the jurisdiction where they live.

The Institution cannot apply for a legal order of protection, or restraining order for a complainant or on their behalf—the victim is required to apply directly for these services in conjunction with the police of the county in which they are located. The Institution will assist students and associates in obtaining court orders of protection to the extent they can.

The Institution will comply with state laws in recognizing orders of protection regardless of whether a complainant elects to pursue a criminal complaint. Persons should provide a copy of the order of protection to Safety and Security and the Title IX Coordinator. A complainant may then meet with Safety and Security to develop a Safety Action Plan, which is a plan aimed to reduce risk of harm while on campus or coming and going from campus. This plan may include, but is not limited to: escorts, special parking arrangements, changing classroom location, etc.

### **CALIFORNIA**

For helpful information see the website, [www.courts.ca.gov](http://www.courts.ca.gov)—click the underlined information to access the specific webpage and get more info. In California, an Emergency Protection Order may be available through a law enforcement officer at any time of day.

### **FLORIDA**

For helpful information in Florida see the website [www.flcourts.org](http://www.flcourts.org). In Florida, the injunction process for protection order could be filed at one of the intake locations in the complainant's county. The Intake Unit staff will help to complete all the necessary paperwork, which is taken to a judge to review.

### **TEXAS**

For helpful information in Texas, see the website [www.dallascounty.org](http://www.dallascounty.org). In Texas, the protective order may be available through the district or county attorney, a private attorney, or through a legal aid service program. The application must be filed in the county in which the complainant lives.

### **Risk Reduction, Warning Signs of Abusive Behavior and Future Attacks**

No complainant is ever to blame for being assaulted or abused. Unfortunately, a person who is the victim of sexual or dating violence is more likely to be re-victimized. Below are some tips to help reduce your risk, to recognize warnings signs of abusive behavior and how to avoid potential attacks.

### ***Warning Signs of Abusive Behavior***

Domestic and dating abuse often escalates from threats and verbal abuse to violence. And, while physical injury may be the most obvious danger, the emotional and psychological consequences of domestic and dating violence are also severe. Warning signs of dating and domestic violence include:

- Being afraid of your partner.
- Constantly watching what you say to avoid a “blow up.”
- Feelings of low self-worth and helplessness about your relationship.
- Feeling isolated from family or friends because of your relationship.
- Hiding bruises or other injuries from family or friends.
- Being prevented from working, studying, going home, and/or using technology (including your cell phone.)
- Being monitored by your partner at home, work or school.
- Being forced to do things you don’t want to do.

### ***Help Reduce Your Risk and Avoid Potential Attacks***

If you are being abused or suspect that someone you know is being abused, speak up or intervene.

- Consider making a report with Safety and Security and/or the Title IX Coordinator and ask for a “no contact” directive from the Institution to prevent future contact.
- Consider getting a protective order.
- Learn more about what behaviors constitute dating and domestic violence, understand it is not your fault, and talk with friends and family members about ways you can be supported.
- Trust your instincts—if something doesn’t feel right in a relationship, speak up or end it.

### **How to be an Active Bystander**

Bystanders play a critical role in the prevention of sexual and relationship violence. WCU aims to promote a culture of community accountability where bystanders are actively engaged in the prevention of violence without causing further harm. We may not always know what to do even if we want to help. Below is a list of some ways to be an active bystander. If you or someone else is in immediate danger, dial 911. This could be when a person is yelling at or being physically abusive towards another and it is not safe for you to interrupt.

- Watch out for your friends and fellow students. If you see someone who looks like they could be in trouble or need help, ask if they are ok.
- Confront people who seclude, hit on, try to make out with, or have sex with people who are incapacitated.
- Speak up when someone discusses plans to take sexual advantage of another person.
- Believe someone who discloses sexual assault, abusive behavior, or experience with stalking.
- Refer people to on or off campus resources listed in this document for support in health, counseling, or with legal assistance.

### **OFF CAMPUS RESOURCES**

WCU does not offer on campus resources in health, mental health, counseling, victim advocacy, legal assistance, or visa and immigration assistance. Students should access the off-campus resources in their area of residence or use the chart below to utilize resources near campus. If you need help, contact your Campus Title IX Administrator or Safety and Security on your campus. Either of those offices can assist you with connecting with the resource you need. If you need immediate assistance, call 9-1-1.

Student Financial Aid is available on campus. For further information, please contact:

Campus	Address
<b>Orange County</b>	Student Financial Aid Office Address: 1477 S. Manchester Ave, Anaheim, CA 92802 Email: <a href="mailto:tSalcedo@westcoastuniversity.edu">tSalcedo@westcoastuniversity.edu</a> Phone: 714-782-1706
<b>Ontario</b>	Student Financial Aid Office Address: 2855 E. Guasti Rd, Ontario, CA 91761 Email: <a href="mailto:rFigueroa@westcoastuniversity.edu">rFigueroa@westcoastuniversity.edu</a> Phone: 909-467-6020
<b>Los Angeles – Center for Graduate Studies</b>	Student Financial Aid Office Address: 590 N. Vermont Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90004 Email: <a href="mailto:nmoran@westcoastuniversity.edu">nmoran@westcoastuniversity.edu</a> Phone: 323-284-7919
<b>Los Angeles</b>	Student Financial Aid Office Address: 12215 Victory Blvd, North Hollywood, CA 91606 Email: <a href="mailto:tCabuco@westcoastuniversity.edu">tCabuco@westcoastuniversity.edu</a> Phone: 818-299-5506
<b>Dallas</b>	Student Financial Aid Office Address: 8435 N. Stemmons Fwy, Dallas, TX 75247 Email: <a href="mailto:dvelarde@westcoastuniversity.edu">dvelarde@westcoastuniversity.edu</a> Phone: 214-453-4258
<b>Miami</b>	Student Financial Aid Office Address: 9250 NW 36 <sup>th</sup> St, Doral, FL 33178 Email: <a href="mailto:rPuello@westcoastuniversity.edu">rPuello@westcoastuniversity.edu</a> Phone: 786-501-7049

Off campus resources for victims are included below, organized by region:

### Orange County

LOCAL Police Department	<b>Anaheim Police Department</b> 320 S. Beach Blvd., Anaheim, CA 92804 (714) 765-1900
STATE Police Department	<b>California Highway Patrol</b> 13200 Goldenwest St, Westminster, CA 92683 (714) 892-4426

Closest Emergency Room	<b>Anaheim Regional Medical Center</b> 1111 W. La Palma Ave, Anaheim, CA 92801 (714) 774-1450
Hospital w/ SANE Services (sexual assault evidence collection services)	<b>Anaheim Regional Medical Center</b> 1111 W. La Palma Ave, Anaheim, CA 92801 (714) 774-1450
Prosecuting Attorney's Office (Court)	<b>North Justice Center – Orange County Superior Court</b> 1275 N. Berkeley Ave, Fullerton, CA 92832 (657) 622-5600
Where to obtain a Restraining Order	<b>Lamoreaux Justice Center</b> 341 The City Drive South – Room 705, Orange, CA 92868 (657) 622-5720, (657) 622-5756 or the Domestic Violence Hotline: (714) 992-1931
Victim Advocacy	<b>Sexual Assault Victim Services</b> 700 W. Civic Center Dr., Santa Ana, CA 92701 (714) 834-4317
Legal Assistance	<b>Legal Aid Society of Orange County</b> 2101 N. Tustin Ave, Santa Ana, CA 92705 (714) 571-5200
Visa & Immigration Assistance	<b>U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services</b> 8381 La Palma Ave. #A, Buena Park, CA 90620 (800) 375-5283  Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Orange County 32118 Paseo Adelanto #9A, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675 Tel 714-430-8771 <a href="http://www.chirla.org/">http://www.chirla.org/</a>
Rape Crisis	<b>Community Service Programs</b> North Orange County Courthouse 1275 N. Berkeley Ave, Fullerton, CA 92832 (714) 957-2737 – 24 Hour Hotline
Battered Women's Shelter	<b>Human Options</b> Business office - 5540 Trabuco Rd, Suite 100, Irvine, CA 92620 (877) 854-3594 – 24 Hour Hotline
Resources Specific to Male Victims	<b>Community Service Programs</b> North Orange County Courthouse 1275 N. Berkeley Ave, Fullerton, CA 92832 (714) 957-2737 – 24 Hour Hotline
Resources for the LGBTQ community	<b>CenterLink LGBT Center OC</b> 1605 N. Spurgeon St, Santa Ana, CA 92701 (714) 953-5428

**Ontario**

LOCAL Police Department	<b>Ontario Police Department</b> 2500 S. Archibald Ave, Ontario, CA 91761 (909) 395-2001
STATE Police Department	<b>California Highway Patrol</b> 9530 Pittsburgh Ave, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730 (909) 980-3994
Closest Emergency Room	<b>Arrowhead Regional Center</b> 400 N Pepper Ave, Colton, CA 92324 (909) 580-1000. Toll Free: (877) USE-ARMC
Hospital w/ SANE Services (sexual assault evidence collection services)	<b>Pomona Valley Medical Center</b> 1798 North Garey Ave, Pomona, CA 91767 (909) 865-9500
Prosecuting Attorney's Office (Court)	<b>San Bernardino County District Attorney</b> 303 West 3rd Street, 6th Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415 (909) 382-3800
Where to obtain a Restraining Order	<b>San Bernardino County District Attorney</b> 303 West 3rd Street, 6th Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415 (909) 382-3800
Victim Advocacy	<b>San Bernardino Victim Services Center</b> 316 North Mt. View Avenue, San Bernardino, CA 92415 (909) 387-6540 <b>Rancho Cucamonga Courthouse</b> 8303 Haven Ave., 4th Floor Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730 (909) 989-0056
Legal Assistance	<b>Inland Counties Legal Services</b> 10565 Civic Center Dr. Suite 200, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730 (909) 980-0982
Counseling	<b>Olive Branch Counseling Centers – Rancho Cucamonga Center</b> 9033 Baseline Rd. Suite A, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730 (909) 989-9030 Ext 103
Mental Health	<b>Phoenix Community Counseling</b> 820 E. Gilbert St, San Bernardino, CA 92415 (909) 387-7200
Financial Aid	<b>Community Action Partnership</b> 696 S. Tippecanoe Ave, San Bernardino, CA 92408 (909) 723-1500
Visa & Immigration Assistance	<b>Inland County Legal Services</b> 455 North D Street, San Bernardino, CA 92401 (909) 884-8615  Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of San Bernardino 2130 N Arrowhead Ave, San Bernardino, CA 92405  Tel. 909-688-6319 <a href="http://www.chirla.org/">http://www.chirla.org/</a>

Rape Crisis	<b>San Bernardino Sexual Assault Services</b> 444 N. Arrowhead Ave., # 101 San Bernardino, CA 92401 (800) 656-4673 -24 Hour Hotline
Battered Women's Shelter	<b>Option House</b> 813 N D St #A San Bernardino, CA 92401 (909) 383-1602
Resources Specific to Male Victims	<b>San Bernardino Sexual Assault Services</b> 444 N. Arrowhead Ave., # 101 San Bernardino, CA 92401 (800) 656-4673 -24 Hour Hotline
Resources for the LGBTQ community	<b>The LGBT Community Center of the Desert</b> 1301 N. Palm Canyon Dr. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Palm Springs, CA 92262 (760) 416-7790



**Los Angeles**

LOCAL Police Department	<b>Los Angeles Police Department</b> 7600 S. Broadway, Los Angeles, CA 90003 (213) 485-6409
STATE Police Department	<b>California Highway Patrol</b> 411 N. Central Ave. #410, Glendale, CA 91203 (818) 240-8200
Closest Emergency Room	<b>Good Samaritan Hospital</b> 1225 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90017 (213) 977-2121
Hospital w/ SANE Services (sexual assault evidence collection services)	<b>LAC + USC Medical Center</b> 1200 N. State St., Los Angeles, CA 90033 (323) 409-1000
Prosecuting Attorney's Office (Court)	<b>Central Civil West Courthouse</b> 600 South Commonwealth Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90005 (213) 351-8738
Where to obtain a protective order	<b>Stanley Mosk Courthouse Restraining Order Center – Room 245</b> 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012 (213) 830-0830 Option #4
Counseling	<b>Intercommunity Counseling Center</b> 7702 Washington Ave., Whittier, CA 90602 (562) 698-1272
Health	<b>Hollywood Sunset Free Clinic</b> 3324 W Sunset Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90026 (323) 660-2400 or (323) 660-1408 <b>Her Medical Clinic</b> 2502 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, CA 90007 (213) 747-4391 <b>Knights of Malta Free Clinic</b> 2222 Ocean View Ave #112, Los Angeles, CA 90057 (213) 384-4323
Victim Advocacy	<b>1736 Family Crisis Center</b> 2116 Arlington Ave. Suite 200, Los Angeles, CA 90018 (323) 737-3900 <b>East Los Angeles Women's Center</b> 1431 S. Atlantic Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90022 (323) 526-5819 Hotline (800) 585-6231
Legal Assistance	<b>Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County</b> 1102 E Chevy Chase Drive, Glendale, CA 91205 (818) 291-1765 <b>Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles</b> Ron Olson Justice Center 1550 West 8 <sup>th</sup> Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017 (800) 399-4529
Financial Assistance	<b>Department of Public Social Services</b> 2415 W 6 <sup>th</sup> St, Los Angeles, CA 90057 (866) 613-3777

Visa & Immigration Assistance	<p><b>Public Counsel – Immigrant’s Rights Project</b> 610 S. Ardmore Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90005 (213) 385-2977</p> <p><b>Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles, CA</b> 2533 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Suite 101, Los Angeles, CA 90057 (213) 353-1333 <a href="http://www.chirla.org/">http://www.chirla.org/</a></p>
Mental Health	<p><b>Center for Individual &amp; Family Counseling</b> 5445 Laurel Canyon Blvd, North Hollywood, CA 91607 (818)761-2227</p> <p><b>Southern California Counseling Center</b> 5615 Pico Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90019 (323) 937-1344</p>
Rape Crisis	<p><b>Peace Over Violence</b> 1015 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 200, Los Angeles, CA 90017 (213) Hotline (310) 392-8381</p>
Battered Women’s Shelter	<p><b>Violence Intervention Program/24-Hour Domestic Violence Response Team</b> 1721 Griffin Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90031 (323) 226-2095</p>
Resources Specific to Male Victims	<p><b>Los Angeles Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse</b> Culver City, CA (323) 250-6116</p>
Resources for the LGBTQ community	<p>Los Angeles LGBT Center – McDonald/Wright Building 1625 N Schrader Blvd, Los Angeles CA 90028 (323) 993-7400</p>

## Dallas

LOCAL Police Department	<p><b>Dallas Police Department – Northwest Operations Division</b> 9801 Harry Hines Blvd Dallas, TX 75220 (214) 670-6178</p>
STATE Police Department	<p><b>Texas Highway Patrol</b> 820 N Loop 288 Denton, TX 76209 (940) 484-666</p>
Closest Emergency Room	<p><b>Parkland Hospital Emergency Room</b> 5200 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas, TX 75235 (214) 645-5555</p>
Hospital w/ SANE Services (sexual assault evidence collection services)	<p><b>Parkland Hospital</b> 5200 Harry Hines Blvd Dallas, TX 75235 (214) 590-8000</p>
Prosecuting Attorney’s Office (Court)	<p><b>Dallas City Secretary</b> 1500 Marilla St. #5DS, Dallas, TX, 75201 (214) 670-3519</p>

Where to obtain a Restraining Order	<b>Dallas County District Attorney's Office</b> 133 N. Riverfront Blvd., 10th Floor Dallas, TX 75207 (214) 653-3528
Victim Advocacy	<b>Frank Crowley Courthouse</b> 133 N. Riverfront Blvd., 9th Floor Dallas, TX 75207 (214) 653-5330
Legal Assistance	<b>Dallas District Clerks Office</b> 600 Commerce Street, Suite# 103 Dallas, TX 75202 (214) 653-7307 <b>Legal Aid of North West Texas</b> 1515 Main St., Dallas, TX 75201 (214) 748-1234
Visa & Immigration Assistance	<b>U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services – Dallas Field Office</b> 6500 Campus Circle Drive East, Irving, TX 75063 (800) 375-5283
Rape Crisis	<b>Dallas Area Rape Crisis Center</b> 11303 N. Central Expy Suite 601, Dallas, TX 75243 (214) 712-4900, 24-Hour Crisis Hotline (972) 641-7273
Battered Women's Shelter	<b>Genesis Women's Shelter Outreach</b> 4411 Lemmon Ave #201 Dallas, TX 75219 (214) 389-7700
Resources Specific to Male Victims	<b>The Family Place</b> P.O. Box 7999 Dallas, TX 75209 (214) 559-2170
Resources for the LGBTQ community	<b>John Thomas LGBT Community Center</b> 2701 Reagan St. Dallas, TX 75219 (214) 528-9254

## Miami

LOCAL Police Department	<b>City of Doral Police Department</b> 6100 NW 99 <sup>th</sup> Ave, Doral, FL 33178 (305) 593-6699
STATE Police Department	<b>Miami Dade P.D. Midwest District Station</b> 9105 NW 25 <sup>th</sup> St, Doral, FL 33172 (305) 471-2800
Closest Emergency Room	<b>Palmetto General Hospital</b> 2001 W 68 <sup>th</sup> St., Hialeah, FL 33016 (305) 823-5000
Hospital w/ SANE Services (sexual assault evidence collection services)	<b>Jackson Memorial Hospital</b> 1611 NW 12th Ave, Miami, FL 33136 (305) 585-1111
Prosecuting Attorney's Office (Court)	<b>City of Doral, Florida</b> 8401 NW 53rd Terrace, Doral, FL 33166 (305) 593-6725

Where to obtain a Restraining Order	<b>Hialeah District Court</b> Domestic Violence Intake – Room 108 11E. 6 <sup>th</sup> St. Hialeah, FL 33010 (305) 349-5813
Victim Advocacy	<b>Special Victims Bureau</b> 1701 NW 87th Ave. Suite #100, Doral, FL 33172 Email: <a href="mailto:svbinfo@mdpd.com">svbinfo@mdpd.com</a>
Legal Assistance	<b>THE DART PROGRAM</b> – (305) 547-0100 <b>THE MOVES PROGRAM</b> – (305) 547-0100
Visa & Immigration Assistance	<b>Immigration and Refugee Program</b> 1924 NW 84th Ave. Building 10 – Beacon Center, Doral, FL 33126 (305) 774-6770
Rape Crisis	<b>Roxcy Bolton Rape Treatment Center</b> 1611 NW 12th Ave., Miami, FL 33136 (305) 585-7273
Battered Women’s Shelter	<b>Miami Rescue Mission Center for Women &amp; Children</b> 2250 NW 1st Ave., Miami, FL 33127 (305) 571-2250
Resources Specific to Male Victims	<b>Special Victims Bureau</b> 1701 NW 87th Ave., Doral, FL 33127 Email: <a href="mailto:svbinfo@mdpd.com">svbinfo@mdpd.com</a>
Resources for the LGBTQ community	<b>SAVE</b> 1951 NW. 7 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Suite 600, Miami FL, 33136 (305) 751-7283 Email: <a href="mailto:save@save.lgbt">save@save.lgbt</a>

## **SUPPORTIVE MEASURES AND INTERIM DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

Supportive measures are non-disciplinary, non-punitive individualized services designed to restore or preserve equal access to the Institution’s education program or activity without unreasonably burdening the other party, including measures designed to protect the safety of all parties or the Institution’s educational environment, or deter sexual harassment. Supportive measures will be offered as appropriate and as reasonably available without fee or charge to the parties before or after the filing of a formal complaint or where no formal complaint has been filed. These measures may include, but are not limited to, mutual no contact orders, changes in class or work assignments, academic housing, transportation and work accommodations, changes in work or class locations, leaves of absence, increased security and monitoring of certain areas, campus escorts, social restrictions, counseling and/or emotional support.

Any supportive measures provided to the parties will be maintained as confidential except as needed to provide the supportive measure.

The Institution may take interim disciplinary action against a student, including suspension, if after an individualized safety and risk analysis, the Title IX Coordinator determines that an immediate threat to the physical health or safety to a student or other individual exists arising from the allegations of sexual harassment. Following the determination,

the Title IX Coordinator will provide the respondent with notice and an opportunity to challenge the decision immediately following the removal.

The Institution may place an employee, on administrative leave prior to or during the grievance process.

### **RIGHTS AND OPTIONS OF THE PARTIES**

The Title IX Coordinator will ensure that the complainant receives an explanation of rights and options written in plain language with concise information. The written notification of rights and options will include the following:

- The importance of obtaining and preserving forensic and other evidence;
- The right to report or not report the alleged incident to the Institution, law enforcement or both, including information about the survivor's right to privacy and which reporting methods are confidential;
- The right to request and receive assistance from campus authorities in notifying law enforcement;
- The right to request and receive assistance in obtaining and enforcing a campus-issued order of protection or no contact order;
- The right to speak to and receive assistance from on and off campus resources and other organizations that provide support and services to victims and survivors;
- The right to assistance from the Institution in accessing local health and mental health services, counseling, advocacy services, legal assistance, financial aid services and immigration/visa assistance;
- The right to supportive measures with or without the filing of a formal complaint, no matter where the incident is reported to have occurred and that the Institution will consider the complainant's wishes with respect to available supportive measures including without limitation changes to academic, living, dining, working, and transportation situations;
- The right to request a formal or informal resolution process if cause is found to proceed under this policy and a summary of the appropriate complaint resolution procedures; and
- Contact information for all of the people and organizations listed herein.

In the event that a formal complaint is filed, the complainant and the respondent will receive a written notification of rights and options regarding the adjudication process, to include the following:

- The right for complainants and respondents to be treated equitably by the Institution which includes providing remedies to a complainant where a determination of responsibility for sexual harassment has been made against the respondent, and by following a grievance process that complies with this policy;
- The right to a fair, impartial, proceeding that begins promptly and is completed within reasonably prompt timeframes;
- The right to a resolution process that is consistent with the Institution's policies, transparent to the complainant and respondent, and in which the burden of proof and of gathering evidence rests with the Institution and not the parties;
- The right to an advisor of the party's choosing during the grievance process. If a party does not have an advisor at the time of the hearing, the Institution will provide without fee or charge, an advisor of the Institution's choice for purposes of conducting cross examination;
- The right to reasonable accommodations during any hearing, such as not being in the same room as the other party;

- The right to an objective evaluation of all relevant evidence—including both inculpatory and exculpatory evidence—and that credibility determinations will not be based on a person’s status as a complainant, respondent, or witness;
- The right to a determination regarding responsibility made at the conclusion of the resolution process and that the Institution makes no prior presumption of responsibility; and
- The right not to be retaliated against for filing a formal complaint and/or for participating in an informal or formal resolution process.

For further information on Sexual Misconduct contact:

<b>Title IX Coordinator</b>	
<b>Valerie Mendelsohn</b> Vice President of Compliance and Risk Management (949) 743.5765 <a href="mailto:vmendelsohn@westcoastuniversity.edu">vmendelsohn@westcoastuniversity.edu</a>	<b>Administration Office</b> 151 Innovation Drive Irvine, CA 92617
<b>Deputy Title IX Coordinator</b>	
<b>Sherry Koshi</b> Assistant Director, Student Services 949-783-4992 <a href="mailto:skoshi@westcoastuniversity.edu">skoshi@westcoastuniversity.edu</a>	<b>Administration Office</b> 151 Innovation Drive Irvine, CA 92617
<b>Title IX Administrators</b>	
<b>Mandy DeJong</b> Compliance Liaison 949-783-4952 <a href="mailto:mdejong@westcoastuniversity.edu">mdejong@westcoastuniversity.edu</a>	<b>Administration Office</b> 151 Innovation Drive Irvine, CA 92617
<b>Nina Khiev</b> Compliance Liaison 949-783-4826 <a href="mailto:nkhiev@westcoastuniversity.edu">nkhiev@westcoastuniversity.edu</a>	<b>Administration Office</b> 151 Innovation Drive Irvine, CA 92617
<b>To contact the United States Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights:</b> U.S. Department of Education Office for Civil Rights Lyndon Baines Johnson Department of Education Building 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202-1100 Telephone: 800-421-3481   FAX: 202-453-6012   TDD: 800-877-8339   Email: <a href="mailto:OCR@ed.gov">OCR@ed.gov</a>	