

Lewis & Clark College
Sexual Misconduct Reporting Options

Students who believe they have been subjected to discrimination, harassment or any form of sexual misconduct are always encouraged to report the incident to a College official. Reports received by the College are followed by a prompt, fair and impartial investigation to determine whether a policy has been violated. Hearings to resolve complaints of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking will be conducted by officials who receive annual training on how to conduct hearings regarding such matters in a way that promotes accountability and protects the safety and rights of all involved. If a determination is made that a policy has been violated, the College will implement a prompt and effective remedy. The College community benefits from formal and informal procedures that encourage prompt resolution of complaints and concerns. Please see the Notes at the end of this document regarding certain rights that the parties have in such proceedings, and possible sanctions or protective measures the College may impose if a policy has been violated.

Some sexual assaults are also crimes. If you would like to discuss your situation with someone at the police department the College can help you arrange that, or you can pursue that option yourself. The decision to involve local authorities (such as the Police) is entirely a personal decision ~ a decision that should be made after considering the pros and cons of each option. Civil lawsuits may also be an option and you should discuss this with an attorney if it may be something you are considering.

- For campus crime statistical purposes, Campus Safety will be confidentially notified of my report, but without any personally identifying information about me or anyone I have identified.
- I can receive confidential medical treatment, advocacy and support services, and counseling through Lewis & Clark College Wellness Services.
- I can request to be separated from the alleged offender while on campus; I can also pursue a civilian order of protection through the local courts, which the College will assist in enforcing.
- I can request academic or workplace modifications or remedies, regardless of whether or not I decide to file a formal internal or external report, and the College will provide such if they are reasonable and available.
- I have been advised of the importance of preserving evidence that may be needed to prove any crime or policy violation that may have occurred.

External Law Enforcement Involvement:

- I understand that it is solely my choice “TO” or “NOT TO” report this incident to local authorities, and have been advised that College personnel will assist me if I choose to report the incident to local authorities and request their assistance.
- I am aware that I may change my mind and report this incident to local authorities at a later time, fully understanding that delaying my report may limit the ability to prosecute the alleged offender.

Internal Formal Complaint to the College:

- I understand that it is solely my choice to or not to file a formal complaint with the College, and whether to or not to cooperate in the College's investigation.
- I understand that the College may be required to investigate this incident, but its ability to do so may be limited if I do not make a formal complaint and cooperate in the investigation.

Choose one:

_____ (initial) **Yes, at this time, I am choosing TO file a formal complaint with the College.**

_____ (initial) **No, at this time, I am choosing NOT TO file a formal complaint with the College.** I am aware that I may change my mind and initiate a formal complaint at a later date by contacting a Title IX Coordinator, the Assistant Dean of Student Rights and Responsibilities, or a Sexual Assault Response Advocate.

Confidentiality:

- I understand that the College will take reasonable steps to keep the information I have shared confidential, if I have requested confidential treatment and have not chosen to file a formal complaint or involve local authorities.
- I understand that I may have confidential and privileged communications with health personnel, counselors, members of the clergy, or Sexual Assault Response Advocates. This means that these people will not disclose what I tell them, except under very narrow circumstances, such as to prevent the commission of a crime, or to the extent disclosure is necessary to defend the recipient of such information from liability in a lawsuit.
- I also understand that if the information I have disclosed (except information disclosed to health personnel, mental health counselors, members of the clergy, or Sexual Assault Response Advocates) causes the College to have a reasonable concern for my safety, or the safety of others, the College will investigate and may not be able to keep my information confidential.

By signing below, I am affirming that I have read and agree with the above statements, doing so by my own choice and not under duress from any College official(s).

Name (Print)

Signature

Date

Additional Resources:

On Campus Confidential* Resources

- Sexual Assault Response Advocates: <http://go.lclark.edu/SARA>
- SARA phone # (call or text): 503-202-3119
- Counseling Service 503-768-7160
- Student Health Services 503-768-7165
- Health Promotion & Wellness 503-768-7112
- Ombudsperson*, Valerie White 503-768-7336
- Religious and Spiritual Life: 503-768-7085
- Feminist Student Union*
- Queer Resource Center*

* Each of the offices above strive to maintain the confidentiality of communications. Those marked with an asterisk do not have a state-law recognized privilege that prohibits them from disclosing otherwise confidential communications.

Private, Non-Confidential Resources

- Title IX Coordinators: <http://go.lclark.edu/TitleIX>
- Assistant Dean of Student Rights and Responsibilities: 503-768-8181
- Area Directors and Resident Advisors

Off Campus Confidential Resources:

Call to Safety

Provides a 24-hour hotline for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault, and concerned family, friends, and community members. Hotline advocates are available to provide crisis intervention and to connect callers with local domestic violence and sexual assault/rape service providers.
(503) 235-5333

Sexual Assault Resource Center

Provides a 24-hour hotline with resources and referrals to counseling, hospitals, legal information, safe places, support groups, multi-cultural/bilingual resources and religiously affiliated resources.
(503) 640-5311

Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network (RAINN)

An anonymous national sexual assault hotline.
(800) 656-4673

Rape Victim Advocates – Multnomah County

Advocates provide free and anonymous resources and referrals to counseling, safe places, and support groups. This service specializes in legal options, information and assistance regarding criminal charges and crime victim compensation.

(503) 988-3222

Sexual and Gender Minorities Youth Resource Center (SMYRC)

SMYRC provides mental health counseling to sexual minority youth 23 and under. Services include assessment, individual treatment, groups, couples, and family therapy.

(503) 872-9664

Notes

In any College disciplinary proceeding, the accuser and the accused both have the following opportunities and expectations:

1. Both parties will have the opportunity to have an advisor of their choosing, and the advisor may accompany the party in all proceedings, although they may not participate.
2. All parties will be simultaneously informed in writing of the outcome of any disciplinary proceeding; the procedures for filing an appeal of such outcome; of any change to the outcome which may occur prior to the outcome becoming final; and, when the outcome becomes final.

If a determination is made that a policy prohibiting domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking has been violated, the following sanctions or protective measures are possible:

See Section VIII, Interim Measures, Remedies, and Accommodations and Appendix A: Section V. F. Sanctions, at the following link: <http://www.lclark.edu/live/profiles/3680-sexual-misconduct-resources-and-support-policy>