Affirmative Consent is informed, affirmative, conscious, voluntary, and mutual agreement to engage in sexual activity. Affirmative consent cannot be given by a person who is incapacitated.

Sexual Misconduct is an umbrella term that includes any sexual activity without affirmative consent to the specific activity, whether or not the conduct violates any civil or criminal law. CSUDH prohibits all forms of sexual misconduct.

Sexual Assault is an attempt, coupled with the ability, to commit a violent injury because of a person’s gender or sex.

Sexual Battery is touching an intimate part of another person against that person’s will and for the purpose of sexual arousal, gratification, or abuse.

Rape is non-consensual sexual intercourse that may also involve the use of threat of force, violence, or immediate injury or threats of future retaliation and duress. Any sexual penetration is sufficient to constitute rape.

Off Campus Resources

YWCA Greater Los Angeles (confidential) is a local rape crisis center that provides crisis intervention, accompaniments, advocacy, and counseling. YWCA also coordinates SART forensic exams and can help with getting you medical attention.
Local 24 hour hotline: (877) 943-5778

YWCA GLA Empowerment Center Locations:
Compton: (310) 763-9995, South Bay: (562) 590-6400, Angeles Mesa: (323) 296-0920

National Sexual Assault Hotline: (800) 656-4673
Who Should I Talk To?

It is hard to know what to do, how to feel, or what your options are after a sexual assault. Please remember that we are here to help you.

If you are interested in seeking support, you can contact the Center for Advocacy, Prevention, and Empowerment (CAPE) or Student Psychological Services. These resources will keep your information completely confidential.

To report the incident to the University or access accommodations, you can contact the Title IX Office.

To make a criminal complaint, you can call the University Police 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

The YWCA Greater Los Angeles can also provide you with 24-hour support, advocacy and assistance and will keep your information completely confidential. They can also arrange for a free medical exam or to have evidence collected by a Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Forensic Nurse at the closest hospital. Contact information for all resources are on the back of this brochure.

Students, faculty, and staff can submit inquiries or complaints to the Office for Civil Rights (OCR): (415) 486-5555, TDD (877) 521-2172 or email at OCR.SanFrancisco@ed.gov.

What Should I Do?

1. Go to a Safe Place. Your safety is our TOP priority. If you do not feel safe, call the University Police immediately at (310) 243-3333 or 911. Consider contacting CSUDH’s Confidential Victim Advocate at (310) 243-2567 to assist you with getting a restraining order from the University Police or University No-Contact Order from the Title IX Officer (310) 243-1025.

2. Understand That What Happened was NOT Your Fault. No one deserves to have their boundaries crossed or be sexually assaulted.

3. Get Medical Attention and if Possible, Preserve Evidence. You can preserve evidence by keeping any clothes worn, sheets, or other evidence in a paper bag. Keeping track of each incident (date, time, location, and any evidence of the incident, like photos) can also be used as evidence. If you experienced a sexual assault, do not shower, clean, douche, urinate, defecate, eat, drink, or brush teeth. Call CSUDH’s CAPE Advocate at (310) 243-2567 during business hours or the YWCA 24 hours a day at (877) 943-5778 to arrange for a Forensic Medical Exam.

4. Get Support and Resources. Call the YWCA Greater Los Angeles 24 hour hotline at (877) 943-5778. You will be connected to a crisis counselor who is available to answer questions concerning any form of sexual violence. You can also contact CSUDH Student Psychological Services at (310) 243-3818.

5. Consider Reporting. We take all reports seriously and will investigate them promptly and thoroughly. You can make a report to the CSUDH Title IX Office at (310) 243-1025 or csudh.edu/gei/make-report. You are also encouraged to report to the University Police Department at (310) 243-3333. The CAPE Advocate or Title IX Officer can assist you with this, as well.

What happens if I report it to the university?

1. Report:
   The CSUDH Center for Prevention, Advocacy, and Empowerment can assist you with reporting the incident to the University: csudh.edu/CAPE | (310) 243-2567
   The report can also be made directly to the Title IX Office: csudh.edu/gei/make-report | (310) 243-1025
   The Office will arrange accommodations and interim safety measures.

2. Intake:
   If you choose to pursue an investigation at CSUDH, the Title IX Office will meet with you to provide information and conduct an intake. Make an appointment by calling.

3. Investigation:
   Then, a trained Title IX Investigator will collect evidence (like photographs or texts), and interview you, the accused person, and witnesses. You may provide witnesses and evidence that may be relevant. The Investigator will complete a report within 60 working days.

4. Hearing or Resolution:
   The next stages of the process include coming to a resolution, participating in a hearing, or a referral for discipline to the Student Conduct Office or appropriate office.

5. Appeal:
   After a determination on findings and/or sanctions is made, you have the right to appeal the findings to the CSU Chancellor’s Office.