Assistance for Students Who Have Experienced Sexual Misconduct

SEXUAL HARASSMENT; GENDER-BASED HARASSMENT; AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE, INCLUDING SEXUAL ASSAULT, DATING AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND STALKING

SEEK EMOTIONAL Support
Attending to your emotional health can be an important part of your healing process. The following confidential support services are available to assist you. No personal information is shared without your permission.

WWU CASAS SURVIVOR ADVOCACY SERVICES
360-650-3700 • Old Main 585B
Services include emotional support, consultation, academic advocacy, reporting options, connection to legal and medical services, and support groups.

WWU COUNSELING CENTER
360-650-3164 • Old Main 540
Provides individual counseling, crisis appointments, and after-hours emergency services.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICES
877-715-1563 • 360-715-1563
1407 Commercial St, Bellingham
Provides 24-hour advocacy, support groups, and legal assistance, including information on protective orders.*

SEEK MEDICAL Attention
Seeking medical attention can be critical to assessing your overall health needs, testing for sexually transmitted infections and pregnancy, and collecting evidence that may be used in legal proceedings. Staff at these facilities are specially trained and sensitive to your needs and concerns in getting medical assistance.

WWU STUDENT HEALTH CENTER
360-650-3400
2001 Bill McDonald Parkway
Provides confidential health care, including emergency contraceptive services and treatment for injuries and sexually transmitted infections. Available during weekday business hours.

ST. JOSEPH’S HOSPITAL
360-734-5400
2901 Squalicum Pkwy, Bellingham
Provides confidential health care, including treatment for injuries and sexually transmitted infections, and rape kit assessments with a sexual assault nurse examiner. Advocates for survivors are available on call. Open all hours.

CONSIDER REPORTING Options
You have options if you choose to report an incident of sexual misconduct: (1) file a complaint* with Western’s Title IX Coordinator; and/or (2) file a report with the police, which may result in criminal charges. You may pursue either or both of these options.

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*About Complaints and Protection Orders
A complaint does not obligate a student to file a police report or interact with the alleged assailant. A complaint begins an investigation in which involved parties are met with individually. Students are provided with assistance during the investigation, e.g., modifying on-campus living and/or academic arrangements, and safety planning.

An order of protection is an official court order that can stop someone from contacting, approaching, or harassing you. For information about protection orders, including documents and steps to file, contact CASAS, DVSAS, or the police.