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## Sexual violence support

### **At the University of Calgary, we believe you**

Sexual violence is a serious problem in our society that impacts people of all genders, sexualities and backgrounds. It continues to be a drastically underreported criminal activity and we know that the number of reported incidents does not reflect the number of true acts of violence that community members face.

At the University of Calgary, we are working diligently to create a safe campus environment, where sexual violence is never tolerated. We have a duty to our community to provide a positive environment to live, work and learn for everyone. We believe that survivors should direct the process and we are here to provide options and advocate for their wellbeing.

#### **What is sexual violence?**

Sexual violence is any unwanted sexual attention or act against someone, without their freely given consent. Sexual violence is complex, and can include many different things, from a violent sexual assault, verbal sexual harassment, sharing explicit pictures or video, offensive language, or stalking. Sexual violence is never okay and is not tolerated at the University of Calgary.

#### **The sexual violence policy**

UCalgary introduced a standalone sexual violence policy in June 2017 that applies to all community members. It also includes jurisdiction for responding to off-campus incidents that occur between two university community members, as well as any online violence.

**You can read more about the policy at**  
[ucalgary.ca/sexualviolencesupport](https://ucalgary.ca/sexualviolencesupport)

# Start with believing

Here is a list of key supports available on- and off-campus

## On-campus

### Sexual Violence Support Advocate

T: 403.220.2208 | E: svsa@ucalgary.ca

### SU Wellness Centre

MacEwan Student Centre, room 370

T: 403.210.9355

[ucalgary.ca/wellnesscentre/contact-us](http://ucalgary.ca/wellnesscentre/contact-us)

### Women's Resource Centre

MacEwan Student Centre, room 482

T: 403.220.8551 | E: women@ucalgary.ca

[ucalgary.ca/women](http://ucalgary.ca/women)

### SU Q Centre

MacEwan Student Centre, room 210

T: 403.220.4460 (during the school year) or

T: 403.220.9020 (in Spring/Summer) | E: outlet@su.ucalgary.ca

### Homewood Health Employee and Faculty Assistance Plan

(faculty and staff)

T: 1.800.663.1142 toll free english

T: 1.866.398.9505 toll free french

## Off-campus

### Calgary Sexual Assault Response Team (CSART)

Offers confidential care for people who have been sexually assaulted or raped in the past 96 hours. CSART services can be accessed through the Sheldon M. Chumir Urgent Care Centre (1213 4 Street SW).

T: 403.955.6030

### Calgary Communities Against Sexual Abuse (CCASA)

The CCASA support and information line is available to anyone who is dealing with or has been affected by any form of sexual violence.

Toll-Free (in Alberta) 1.877.237.5888

[calgarycasa.com](http://calgarycasa.com)

### The Distress Centre

The Distress Centre is a 24-hour crisis line for Calgarians with services in over 200 languages. They also provide online crisis chat through their website.

T: 403.266.4357

[distresscentre.com](http://distresscentre.com)

### Connect Family and Sexual Abuse Network

Can provide referrals to medical and related services.

T: 1.403.237.5888

[connectnetwork.ca](http://connectnetwork.ca)

A full list of resources can be found at [ucalgary.ca/sexualviolencesupport](http://ucalgary.ca/sexualviolencesupport)

## To make a referral to the Sexual Violence Support Advocate

With the individual's consent, send an email to svsa@ucalgary.ca. In your email, indicate:

- their name; and,
- their contact information. Please include their preferred method of communication — email, phone or text — and confirm it is safe to contact them this way and/or leave a message.

They will be contacted within 24 hours to set-up an appointment.

**Please do not send or bring them to the office unannounced. The advocate may be in a meeting or assisting another client.**

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