



Resource Guide for Respondents in the Gender Based Misconduct Process

Receiving notice of an investigation relating to your involvement in an alleged violation of the Opposition to Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct and Interpersonal Violence policy can prompt a range of emotions. Below are resources that can help you better understand the investigation process, as well as resources you may wish to contact for support. It is important to remember that no offices other than those required by the process will be notified of the ongoing investigation. As you navigate emotions throughout this process, we encourage you to find individuals whom you feel comfortable talking to as you continue to work through this very complex situation. Please note that some on-campus and off-campus resources included below are listed as **CONFIDENTIAL**, while others are described as **PRIVATE**.

Private means that information related to a report of gender-based misconduct will be shared with a limited circle of College employees who “need to know” in order to assist in the assessment, investigation, and resolution of the report. All employees who are involved in the College’s response to reports of violations of this policy receive specific training and guidance about sharing and safeguarding private information in accordance with state and federal law.

Confidentiality exists in the context of laws that protect certain relationships, including with medical and clinical care providers, mental health providers, counselors, and ordained clergy, all of whom may engage in confidential communications under Massachusetts law. The College has designated individuals who have the ability to have privileged communications as “Confidential Employees” and those resources are indicated below.

Reporting a Violation

Any individual can report an alleged violation of sexual and gender-based misconduct or interpersonal violence to the College by speaking with a College official, such as officials within Student Affairs or Campus Police, Resident Assistants, Residence Directors, a Title IX Coordinator, or a Title IX Deputy. An individual may also choose to submit a Sexual Assault Incident Report form online, which can be found on Stonehill’s Sexual Assault and Title IX website.

Once a report is received, When a report is made, the Title IX Coordinator or Deputy will assess the complaint to determine whether or not the complaint falls under the jurisdiction of Title IX. If so, it will be assigned for investigation. A Title IX Investigator or Investigators (depending on the complaint and/or as determined by the Title IX Coordinator) will investigate the complaint by conducting preliminary interviews, providing the parties and the Hearing Officer with a summary of facts, and the Hearing Officer will then examine the parties and witnesses at a live hearing. The parties’ Advisors may also conduct examinations and cross examinations at the hearing. The Hearing Officer will submit to the Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students a written report containing factual findings, a determination of policy violation based on the preponderance of evidence standard, and any sanctions. The Associate Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students will review the report, ensure that the findings and determinations are supported by the facts, and provide a copy of the Hearing Officer’s report to the parties.

General Questions/Support

On-Campus	
<p>Title IX Coordinator & Deputies</p> <p>Lily Krentzman – Director of Human Resources Title IX Coordinator Merkert-Tracy Hall 145: 508-565-1106 PRIVATE lkrentzman@stonehill.edu</p>	<p>Residence Life</p> <p>Residence Director (RD) or Resident Assistant (RA) Duffy 145: 508-565-1290 PRIVATE</p> <p>Health and Wellness Office</p> <p>Roche Dining Commons 101: 508-565-1544 PRIVATE</p>

<p>Ali Hicks – Interim Director of Community Standards/ Title IX Deputy Duffy 142: 508-565-1323 PRIVATE ahicks@stonehill.edu</p>	
<p>Cindy MacDonald – Senior Associate Director of Athletics/ Title IX Deputy Sports Complex : 508-565-1384 PRIVATE cmacdonald@stonehill.edu</p>	

Resources for Counseling and Emotional Support

On-Campus

Counseling Services
Daytime appointments available.
Stress that you would like to access an “urgent” appointment.
Chapel of Mary: 508-565-1331 (Option 1) **CONFIDENTIAL**
24/7 Crisis Hotline: 508-565-1331 (Option 2) **CONFIDENTIAL**

*(*Please Note: Front desk staff are PRIVATE not confidential. Therefore, when making your appointment in regard to a sexual assault, simply indicate the matter is of a personal or confidential nature, and no further information will be required.)*

Off-Campus

Local Clinicians
There are many clinicians in the Easton/Brockton area that students can access for support. A comprehensive list of local options is available at Counseling Services.
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Academic Resources

On-Campus

Office of Academic Services & Advising
Duffy 104: 508-565-1306 **PRIVATE**

Legal Resources

Off-Campus

Massachusetts Bar Association Lawyer Referral Services
866-627-7577 **CONFIDENTIAL**

Financial Related Resources

On-Campus

Student Financial Assistance
Duffy 103: 508-565-1088 **PRIVATE**

Immigration/Visa Related Resources

On-Campus

Office of International Programs

Duffy131: 508-565-1645 **PRIVATE**

Off-Campus

Catholic Charities

169 Court Street, Brockton: 508-587-0815 **CONFIDENTIAL**

Confidential Resource Providers

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Confidential Resource Providers are trained staff members who are available to assist students with the following:

- reporting options and the process involved within each option;
- counseling services available on and off campus;
- available school-based supportive measures related to academic and residence life;
- the disciplinary process of the institution; and
- the legal process carried out through local law enforcement agencies.

A complete description of the services offered by Confidential Resource Providers, as well as how to access them can be found [here](#).

Additional Support Options

On-Campus

Certified Stonehill Athletic Trainers

Sports Complex 219D: 508.565.1514 **CONFIDENTIAL**

Health and Wellness Office

Roche Dining Commons 101: 508-565-1544 **PRIVATE**

General support, coaching, and health resources

Office of Accessibility Resources

Duffy 104: 508-565-1306 **PRIVATE**

Academic or housing accommodations

Campus Ministry⁺

Chapel of Mary: 508-565-1487

Spiritual Support

⁺Conversations with Campus Ministers are considered **PRIVATE** and conversations held with an ordained member of the clergy are considered **CONFIDENTIAL**.