

PEPPERDINE'S SEXUAL MISCONDUCT POLICY AND RESOURCES

Pepperdine University views everyone (including all students, employees, vendors, and guests) as a person of infinite worth, created by God, deserving to be treated with dignity and respect. Thus, the University prohibits its students, employees, vendors, or guests from engaging in any form of Sexual Misconduct.

Sexual Misconduct includes:

- sex discrimination
- sexual harassment
- sexual assault
- domestic violence
- dating violence
- stalking

All members of the community should understand:

- 1) that Sexual Misconduct is illegal, contrary to Pepperdine's Code of Ethics, and in opposition to its Christian mission;
- 2) the basic definitions and dynamics involved in each form of misconduct;
- 3) that there are people at the University prepared to receive reports from victims; and
- 4) that there are resources available to help support victims.

Under California law, the University is required to immediately or as soon as practicably possible, disclose to local law enforcement, any report of sexual assault, whether committed on-or-off campus. If the student communicates to the University that he or she would like his or her identity withheld, the University will not disclose the student's or the alleged perpetrator's identity in its report to law enforcement.

Anonymous reports may be made on the anonymous Wave Tip line by calling voice mail at (310) 506-7634 or on the LiveSafe app.

The University policy manuals and handbooks cover important aspects of these topics:

For Employees:

[University Policy Manual, Section 4.0](#)

For Students:

[Sexual Misconduct Policy](#)

Some forms of Sexual Misconduct are illegal and can result in fines and/or imprisonment:

Sexual Assault: [California Penal Code Sections 261-269](#) (Rape) & [Section 243.4](#) (Sexual Battery)

Domestic Violence: [California Penal Code Section 273.5](#)

Dating Violence: [California Penal Code Section 273.5](#)

Stalking: [California Penal Code Section 646.9](#)

Getting Help

Pepperdine has resources available to help victims of any form of Sexual Misconduct as well as concerned others. The University's Title IX coordinators are available to address questions or receive complaints concerning Sexual Misconduct.

For employees, guests, & contractors:

Edna Powell, Chief Business Officer, Title IX Coordinator
310-506-6464
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For students:

LaShonda Coleman, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, Title IX Deputy Coordinator for Students
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Other resources include confidential health care, counseling services, and pastoral care.

On-campus

Student Health Center: (310) 506-4316
Counseling Center: (310) 506-4210
University Chaplain: (310) 506-4275

Off-campus

Santa Monica Rape Treatment Center: (310) 319-4000
Sojourn Services—Domestic Violence: (310) 264-6644

Pepperdine Public Safety and Law Enforcement are additional available resources.

On-campus

Emergency: 911
Public Safety: (310) 506-4441

Off-campus

Emergency: 911
Los Angeles Sheriff's Department: (818) 991-8003

Training regarding the prevention of Sexual Misconduct will be provided on a periodic basis on campus, including new student and employee orientations, trainings by specific departments and student groups, and web based educational programs. If you would like to request Sexual Misconduct training for a specific department/student group on campus or if you have suggestions regarding how the University can improve its programs, please contact Title IX Coordinator Edna Powell.