Sexual Assault, Discrimination, and Harassment Policies

Any victim of sexual assault is encouraged to get to a safe place as soon as possible and proceed with the following:

1. Seek medical attention as soon as possible. If you go to the hospital emergency room, they will conduct a physical examination for your protection and health, and to determine the presence of physical injury, sexually transmitted diseases or pregnancy. They are also equipped to conduct the proper collection of physical evidence.
2. It is of utmost importance to preserve physical evidence in a sexual assault investigation. Do not bathe, shower, douche, use the toilet or change clothing. If the assault occurred on a bed or other area with bedclothes, or loose fabrics, do not discard or wash them.
3. Call a close friend, residence hall assistant, or other trusted person who can be with you for support. You do not need to go through this alone.
4. Use the support and expertise of the Counseling, Student Development and Public Safety staff for references to confidential crisis counseling, assistance with medical treatment, safe-shelter options, and assistance with legal issues.

Local Sexual Assault Response Resources include:

Rape Crisis Hotline in Chicago Metropolitan Area
(888) 293-2080

YWCA Chicago
360 N. Michigan Ave. Suite 800
Chicago, IL 60601
(312) 372-6600

Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault (I.C.A.S.A.)
(217) 750-4117

Rape and Incest National Network (R.A.I.N.N.)
1-800-656-4673

Upon receiving a report of sexual assault or discrimination, the Dean of Students or Associate Dean of Residence Life will conduct an investigation in cooperation with the Office of Public Safety and will conduct hearings in accordance with established disciplinary procedures. Sexual assault and discrimination victims are entitled to be informed of the status of any and all phases of the hearing process, including the outcome.

Person(s) accused of sexual assault will be handled through established disciplinary procedures. Accused person(s) are also entitled to be informed of the status of any and all phases of the investigation and discipline process, including the outcome.

The Student Development Department and Office of Public Safety work in conjunction to offer educational seminars for students and staff upon request. The Office of Public Safety provides the community with timely reports of crimes committed on or off campus considered to be a threat to students or employees through the "Daily", Moody Caster, Moody Standard, emails, and chapel announcements. Crime prevention materials are made available to students and staff upon request. In addition, crime awareness posters are posted on campus.
Hazing
The Institute does not encourage or allow "hazing" as a part of our school culture. No one is to be forced or pressured to be involved in activities which pose a risk of physical injury, cause embarrassment, require unwelcomed conduct or dress as a condition of joining or being admitted to a group or participating in a school activity. The Institute does recognize that in residence hall life and normal student creativity in building floor or team spirit may result in spontaneous group actions. However, nothing should be carried out which poses any risk of harm, embarrassment, or coercion. Questions as to whether an activity violates this policy should be directed to a Resident Assistant or Residence Supervisor.

The Institute does accommodate humorous student recognition of major events such as "flag poling" for engagements as well as residence hall floor initiations for Residence Assistants. Those activities are to be conducted in strict accordance with the approved Campus Policies and Procedures. Please consult with the Residence Supervisors for further details.