

If you feel in danger...

Feelings of danger or being unsafe are normal after experiencing or knowing someone who was sexually assaulted.

IWCC Campus Security is available to assist you 24 hours a day and can be reached by calling or texting 402-659-4939, or by dialing ext. 8000 on any campus phone. They respond to emergency situations and are available to provide an escort anywhere on campus upon request.

Protection options are available if needed, and can be arranged through the Office of Student Success. Various immediate remedies such as moving somebody in housing, creating a no-contact order, or rearranging class schedules are available, but you will have to report what happened before those steps can be taken. Note that you, as the reporting student, will never be forced to move dorm rooms or change classes, but you certainly have the option if that is what you request.

IWCC staff and Campus Security can also help you contact the police if you wish to file a report or would like to obtain a protective order that will be effective off and on campus.



To Make a Report:

Kim Henry
Dean of Student Life & Student Success
Title IX Coordinator
Office phone: 712-325-3207
Email: khenry@iwcc.edu

Reanna Heim
Coordinator of Student Conduct and Civility
Office phone: 712-325-3728
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Johnny Turnage
Assistant Director of Residence Life
Office phone: 712-388-6849
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Kelly Fischer
Director of Human Resources
Office phone: 712-325-3300
Email: kfischer@iwcc.edu

For Safety Assistance:

Council Bluffs Police Department
Non-emergency number: 712-328-5737
Emergency number: 9-1-1 (9-9-1-1 from a campus phone)

Iowa Western Campus Security
Cell phone (call or text): 402-659-4939

Mental Health Support:

Emily O'Rourke
Mental Health Practitioner
Office phone: 712-256-8057
Email: eorourke@iwcc.edu

National Deaf & Hard of Hearing Crisis Line:
800-787-3224

Phoenix House (domestic violence & sexual assault) 24-Hour Crisis Line: 712-328-0266

Medical Help:

Emergency number: 9-1-1 (9-9-1-1 from a campus phone)
Mercy Hospital: 712-328-5000
Jennie Edmundson Hospital: 712-396-6000

Sexual Misconduct Reporting and Resources

A Guide for the Iowa Western Community





Identifying Sexual Misconduct

Sexual Misconduct includes the following:

- ◆ Sexual assault
- ◆ Sexual harassment and stalking
- ◆ Dating/relationship violence
- ◆ Discrimination based on gender or sex
- ◆ Other types of sex-related exploitation

If you think you may be a survivor or victim of any of the above, we encourage you to come forward and seek assistance from Iowa Western Community College (IWCC).

Reporting Sexual Misconduct

If you are a survivor of Sexual Misconduct, there are a variety of resources on and off campus to help you report and heal, all listed on the back of this pamphlet.

Even if you are uncertain about reporting an incident to either the police or IWCC, we urge you to preserve evidence. This can include clothing, text messages, photos, bed sheets and anything else involved in what happened. If you decide you do want to file a report with the police and/or IWCC, having evidence intact will be very important to any police and/or IWCC investigation.

Iowa Western's Process, part 1

If you choose to make an official report to IWCC, there are several individuals you can speak with depending on the nature of the incident.

When reporting sexual misconduct by a fellow student, the staff in the Office of Student Life & Student Success are whom you should reach out to. They include the Dean of Student Life and Success, the Coordinator of Student Conduct and Civility, and the Assistant Director of Residence Life. If your incident involved an IWCC employee, you should speak with the Director of Human Resources. IWCC staff can also assist you in contacting the police and seeking medical attention. It is your choice if you want to make an official police report or not.

Be aware that when you report an incident of sexual misconduct to IWCC, the institution is required by law to open an investigation. The purpose of the investigation is to help remedy the incident and protect other students from experience the same thing.

Once an incident of sexual misconduct is reported, you will be contacted by a trained investigator to come in for an interview. This interview will be done as discretely and comfortably as possible. We understand this may be potentially upsetting and welcome you to bring one advisor or companion with you to any meeting or hearing in connection with the sexual misconduct. That includes an advocate, friend, relative, coach, teacher, attorney, or any one else whom you find helpful or comforting as you go through this process.

Iowa Western's Process, part 2

At your initial meeting with the investigator, the IWCC disciplinary process and how IWCC will move forward with an investigation will be discussed with you. You do have influence and power in this process at all times and will have choices to make. IWCC is very concerned with helping and protecting you, and making you feel comfortable and safe. However, please understand that IWCC also has a legal obligation to look into and try to remedy any incident of sexual misconduct it is aware of.

If you wish to have a more confidential experience, you should specifically contact and make an appointment with the IWCC Mental Health Practitioner in the Office of Student Success.

If you feel your situation is not being handled correctly, please contact our Title IX Coordinator directly. The Title IX Coordinator is tasked with ensuring that IWCC follows procedure and protects your rights as a reporting student in all instances of sexual harassment and misconduct.

Once a decision is reached regarding the incident of sexual misconduct you reported, you do have a right of appeal if you are unsatisfied with it. The Title IX Coordinator and staff can explain this to you in more detail. Never be afraid to ask questions about the process.

Contact information for all resources mentioned above appear on the back of the pamphlet.