

## **Notification of Reporting Party Rights and Options in Cases Involving Allegations of Sex Discrimination, Sexual Misconduct and Interpersonal Violence**

Aurora University wants to support you during this time, and the following information is intended to help you understand rights and options available to you. Those rights and options are as follows:

- Access to confidential on- and off-campus counseling and other support services, with the University's assistance upon request, including contact information for local rape crisis centers and law enforcement as set forth in the University's Sex Discrimination, Sexual Misconduct and Interpersonal Violence Policy ("Policy").
- Access to or the ability to request information regarding reasonable accommodations to University academic, transportation, work, dining and/or living arrangements, no-contact orders, and other interim measures to enable you to continue to access your education.
- Information about the importance of preserving evidence as may be necessary to the proof of criminal sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking.
- Opportunity to submit a written statement to the Title IX Coordinator when filing a report; however, a written statement is not necessary and information provided by the reporting party in any form will be considered in resolving allegations reported to the University.
- Notice of your right to choose whether to notify proper law enforcement authorities, including campus law enforcement and local police, and of your right to decline to notify such authorities.
- Notice of your right to file, separate from any University procedures, a criminal complaint or petition for an order of protection through local law enforcement and of your right to do so with (or without) assistance from the University.
- Freedom from retaliation.
- Amnesty from discipline for alcohol or drug use that occurs during incidents of reported sexual misconduct where the health and safety of third parties is not at risk.
- Notice of your right to choose whether to file an official complaint with the University.
- Access to information regarding how the campus will protect your privacy and confidentiality and the full range of options, including potential sanctions, available for the resolution of your complaint.
- A prompt, fair, impartial and thorough investigation and appropriate resolution of all credible complaints of sexual harassment, sexual violence, sexual exploitation, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking made in good faith to the University conducted by University officials who receive annual training.
- Information regarding the process to object to a University official's participation in the Investigation and Resolution Procedures if that individual has a conflict of interest.
- Information and assistance needed to effectively participate in all proceedings regarding the complaint.
- The same opportunities as the responding party to participate in the Investigation and Resolution Procedures (see attached), including:
  - To be accompanied to any interview or other meeting related to this process by the advisor/support person of their choice. The support person may attend but shall not participate in the hearing, interview or related meeting.
  - To receive timely notice of all interviews/meetings at which they may/must be present, and both parties will be provided with timely and equal access to information. For interviews, a minimum of 48 hour notice of the interview date, time and location will be provided to the interviewee.

- To speak on their own behalf, suggest questions to be posed by the University investigator(s) to other participating parties and respond to the other party, and to submit other evidence on their own behalf.
- To identify and/or present statements from fact witnesses or submit any other evidence that the investigator deems relevant.
- To receive periodic status updates and to be informed about the outcome of the investigation and resolution process (to the greatest extent possible and consistent with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) or other applicable law).
- To appeal the outcome, including any resulting finding(s), sanction(s) or corrective action(s).

For your reference, contact information for confidential advisors, a community-based sexual assault crisis center, campus law enforcement, and local law enforcement is provided below:

### **Confidential Advisors**

Mutual Ground  
 418 Oak Ave  
 Aurora, IL 60506  
 Sexual Assault Hotline (24/7): 630-897-8383  
 General phone number: 630-897-0080

### **Local 24-hour Crisis Intervention Services (Counseling/Advocacy)**

McHenry County Crisis Program  
 PO Box 1990  
 Woodstock, IL 60098  
 Crisis Hotline (24/7): 800-892-8900

Walworth County Dept. of Health & Human Services  
 W4051 County Road NN  
 Elkhorn, WI 53121  
 Crisis Hotline (24/7): 800-365-1587  
 General phone number: 262-741-3200

Association for the Prevention of Family Violence  
 735 N. Wisconsin St. Suite 101  
 Elkhorn, WI 53121  
 Crisis Hotline: 262-723-4653

### **Campus and Local Law Enforcement**

Aurora University Dept. of Campus Public Safety  
 1408 Southlawn Place  
 Aurora, IL 60506  
 630-844-5450 (emergency)  
 630-844-6140 (non-emergency)

City of Woodstock Police Department  
 656 Lake Ave.  
 Woodstock, IL 60098  
 911 (emergency)  
 815-338-2131 (non-emergency)

City of Aurora Police Department  
 1200 East Indian Trail  
 Aurora, IL 60505  
 911 (emergency)  
 630-256-5000 (non-emergency)

City of Williams Bay Police Department  
 250 Williams St., P.O. Box 580  
 Williams Bay, WI 53191  
 911 (emergency)  
 262-245-2710 (non-emergency)

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