



What is Sexual Harassment?

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Sexual harassment occurs when somebody says or does something sexually related that you don't want them to say or do, regardless of who it is. For example:

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- Talking about their sexual experiences.
- Asking you to talk about yours.
- Telling sexual jokes, innuendoes, and stories, or comments (about your clothes or body, or someone else's).
- Touching you, threatening you, and/or pressuring or forcing you to have sex - including in exchange for a job, raise, to retain a job, get a better grade, or special treatment or to escape physical violence.

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If you believe that you or another person may be a victim of sexual harassment, the following resources will help you... [\[read more\]](#)

Emergency: In case of emergency (e.g., sexual assault) or other types of harassment, contact the 24-hour Rape Crisis Line at **335-6000** or dial **911**.

Sexual Harassers

Sexual harassers can include (but aren't limited to) professors, teaching assistants, research assistants, supervisors, co-workers, classmates, other students, acquaintances, friends, partners, dates, and strangers.

A sexual harasser may be anyone who automatically has power over you because of their position of employment, or other people who do not have an official position but try to take power and control over you by threats, coercion, force or other deliberate actions of a sexual nature.

What makes someone a sexual harasser isn't based on what they do for a living, their status as a high profile person, or where they hang out. What makes someone a sexual harasser is behavior, (including words and actions) that uses sex to be disrespectful, hurtful, embarrassing, humiliating, intimidating or frightening to you or another person.

2006 Sexual Harassment Report

The Council on the Status of Women (CSW) surveyed more than 11,000 students, faculty, staff, and community members on the subject of sexual harassment and released a report called "Sexual Harassment and Unwelcomed Behavior at the University of Iowa" in January 2006. Former UI President David Skorton responded to the report... [\[read more\]](#)

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