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The safety and well-being of our students is of utmost importance to Loyola Marymount University, and LMU takes all reports of sexual and interpersonal misconduct extremely seriously.

We expect our students to treat themselves and their peers in a manner that is consistent with the values of the Lion's Code and in alignment with the Student Conduct Code, and we remain dedicated to combating sexual or interpersonal misconduct in our community.

The University also commits itself to providing support and resources to all students that report or are experiencing acts of sexual or interpersonal misconduct.

Where can I find LMU's Sexual and Interpersonal Misconduct Policy and LMU's Student Title IX Policy?

LMU's Student-on-Student Sexual and Interpersonal Misconduct Policy and Procedure can be found [here](#).

LMU's Student Title IX Policy can be found [here](#).

LMU's Faculty and Staff Title IX Policy can be found [here](#).

If you have additional questions, please contact LMU's Title IX Coordinator, Sara Trivedi. The Title IX Coordinator can be contacted by:

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Sexual & Interpersonal Misconduct Policy and Protocol Definitions

Sexual Assault is defined as engaging in sexual intercourse, or any of the sexual activities listed below, with another person without that person's consent. Sexual Assault includes, but is not limited to, rape, sexual battery, anal intercourse, oral copulation or penetration of a body cavity by a foreign object. Sexual intercourse includes the penetration, however slight, of the vagina or anus with any object or body part and of the mouth with a body part and/or object in a sexual manner.

Sexual Misconduct is defined as unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature including, but not limited to, unwelcome sexual advances, unsolicited requests for sexual favors, or physical conduct of a sexual nature, such as making contact with an intimate body part (including, but not limited to: the mouth; the sex organs; the anus; the groin; the buttocks and/or the breasts) of another person without that person's consent, including as a result of sexual coercion. For purposes of the Sexual and Interpersonal Misconduct policy, Sexual Misconduct includes, but is not limited to, exposing one's genitals in non-consensual circumstances, coercing another against their will to expose their genitals or breasts and prostituting another person.

Assault. Examples of Sexual Exploitation include, but are not limited to, invasion of sexual privacy, audio or video recording or photographing of a sexual nature utilizing webcam, camera, Internet exposure, etc., without knowledge and consent of all persons, going beyond the boundaries of consent (such as letting another person hide and watch you have consensual sex without the knowledge of the other party), engaging in unconsented voyeurism, coercing another against their will to expose their genitals or breasts and prostituting another person.

Domestic Violence is defined as a felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabited with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under California law or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under California law.

Dating Violence is defined as violence committed by a person:

1. Who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and
2. Where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the Complainant's statement and with consideration of the following factors:
 - a. The length of the relationship;
 - b. The type of the relationship;
 - c. The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

Dating Violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or threat of such abuse. Dating Violence does not include acts covered under the definition of Domestic Violence.

Stalking means engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person(s) that would cause a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the Complainant to fear for their safety or the safety of others; or suffer substantial emotional distress.

For the purposes of this definition course of conduct means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts in which the stalker directly, indirectly or through third parties, by any action, method, device or means, follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens or communicates to or about a person or interferes with a person's property.



Retaliation means adverse, non-permitted action taken by an individual or a third party against a person who reports a violation of this policy, assists someone with a report of a violation of this policy or participates in any manner in an investigation or resolution of a report of a violation of this policy. Retaliation may, among other non-permitted conduct or behaviors, include threats, intimidation, coercion, Harassment, spreading negative information about an individual, exclusions from academic and non-academic programs and/or adverse actions related to employment.

Title IX Definitions

Sexual Assault is defined as engaging in sexual intercourse, or any of the sexual activities listed below, with another person without that person's Consent. Sexual Assault includes, but is not limited to, rape, sexual battery, anal intercourse, oral copulation or penetration of a body cavity by a foreign object. Sexual intercourse includes the penetration, however slight, of the vagina or anus with any object or body part and of the mouth with a body part and/or object in a sexual manner.

Title IX Sexual Harassment is defined as unwelcome conduct by an employee conditioning the provision of an LMU educational aid, benefit or service on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct; or unwelcome conduct on the basis of sex against a person in the United States determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to an LMU education program or activity.

Dating Violence, Domestic Violence and Stalking definitions can be found under the Sexual and Interpersonal misconduct drop down box above.

What is the definition of Consent?

How is Title IX Sexual Harassment different from LMU's definition of Sexual Misconduct?

Sexual Harassment is defined under [Title IX](#) as "[...] unwelcome conduct on the basis of sex against a person in the United States determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to an LMU education program or activity." In addition to those requirements, Sexual Harassment

In comparison, the [Student-on-Student Sexual and Interpersonal Misconduct Policy and Protocol](#) defines Sexual Misconduct to cover Sexual Harassment that either does not meet Title IX's Sexual Harassment definition, meaning it need **not** be severe, pervasive and objectively offensive to warrant an allegation, or occurs in a location that is outside of Title IX's defined jurisdiction.

If I experience sexual harassment while studying abroad or off campus, should I still report to LMU?

How do I file a report?

Can I file a report anonymously?

I filed a report with Public Safety, now what?

I reported, but my incident does not meet the Title IX definition of Sexual Harassment, what happens now?

I reported my incident, but I don't want to go through the conduct process, now what?

What is the difference between the Title IX process and the Student-on-Student Sexual and Interpersonal Misconduct Policy and Procedure?

Do I need an Advisor?

What is the Role of an Advisor?

Can my SARA be my Advisor?

Am I able to ask questions of the Complainant/Respondent during the hearing?

Will the hearing be recorded?

Can I access the recording of my hearing?

What if I don't agree with the decision, can I appeal?

I'm worried I'll be retaliated against if I report. Is there anything to prevent this from happening?

What protocols are in place for allegations of sexual or interpersonal misconduct against faculty or staff?



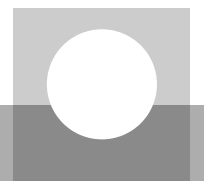
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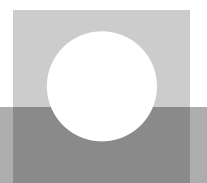
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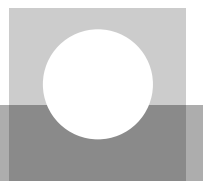
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