

## Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)

SART volunteers are Vassar faculty, staff, and administrators who will discuss your options with you, even if you're not ready to take any action. They're trained on how to respond to dating and domestic violence, and will help you maintain your privacy, go over your rights, give you support, and make sure that you have as much control of the process as possible. They can also accompany you if you wish to access resources on or off campus.

Resources are trained and available to work with students of all sexual orientations and gender identities.

Call **SART** from any campus phone: x7333

From any other phone: 845-437-7333.

SAVP Coordinator – 845-437-7863

savp@vassar.edu

<http://savp.vassar.edu>

## Are You Safe?

**If you are not safe, call 911 or Vassar Security at (845) 437-7333.**

If you are safe, call one of the resources listed in this brochure or call a SART volunteer 24/7.

SART Volunteers – 845-437-7333

## Confidentiality

At Vassar, some individuals and campus resources can offer confidentiality while others have specific obligations to respond when they receive a report of a crime or a campus policy violation. If you are unsure of someone's duties and ability to maintain your privacy, ask them before you talk to them.

### CONFIDENTIAL RESOURCES

Confidential resources cannot let anyone know that you came forward for support or help. These on-and off-campus confidential resources provide free psychological and medical support.

*Vassar Counseling Service:* (845) 437-5700

*Vassar Health Services:* (845) 437-5800

*Rape Crisis Center:* (845) 452-7272

*Domestic Violence Services:* (845) 485-5550

### PRIVATE RESOURCES

Private resources are not required to tell anyone else your private, personally identifiable information unless there is cause for fear for your safety, or the safety of others.

*SART Volunteers:* (845) 437-7333

*SAVP Coordinator:* (845) 437-7863

*CARES Peer Listeners:* (845) 437-7333

### MANDATED REPORTERS

Mandated reporters are legally required to report incidents of sexual misconduct involving students. Notice to mandated reporters is official notice to the institution. Formal reporting means that only people who need to know will be told, and information will be shared only as necessary with investigators, witnesses, and the accused individual. See the College Regulations Part D section of the Student Handbook for a complete list of mandated reporters.

*Title IX Coordinator* (845) 437-7584

*Campus Security* (845) 437-7333

*Dean of Students* (845) 437-5315

*Residential Life* (845) 437-5860

# Dating and Domestic Violence

Has your partner ever...

Belittled or ridiculed you?

Threatened you?

Driven away friends or family?

Been forceful or coercive?

Harmed you physically?

...if so, perhaps we can help.



## Sexual Assault Violence Prevention Program

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## Vassar College Survivor Rights

If you are a survivor of sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, stalking, or sexual harassment, you have the right to:

- Be treated with respect and informed of your options
- Press/file charges on campus and/or with police
- Request a restraining or no contact order
- Free confidential medical care
- Free and private counseling
- Be accompanied by a trained volunteer to hearings and meeting
- Request accommodations to help you feel safe and minimize the burden on your educational program. You do not have to report to receive these accommodations.

## Policy on Dating and Domestic Violence

Vassar College prohibits sexual misconduct, dating /domestic violence, and stalking among individuals of any gender identity. If you choose to report sexual misconduct, Vassar is committed to a fair and timely response and protection against any retaliation.

For more information on Vassar's Sexual Misconduct Policy, refer to the College Regulations in the Student Handbook or look for the handbook online at [deanofthecollege.vassar.edu](http://deanofthecollege.vassar.edu).

You do not have to make a decision to report a sexual assault before accessing counseling, medical services, or SART resources.

<http://savp.vassar.edu>  
[savp@vassar.edu](mailto:savp@vassar.edu)

## To File a Report

It's your choice whether or not to file a report. If you choose to report, it's important to preserve any evidence you have that might prove a crime was committed.

### ON CAMPUS

Campus staff can help you file a formal report with the college or obtain a no-contact order. **Even if you don't report, you have the option for academic or residential accommodations.**

*Title IX Coordinator:* (845) 437-7584

*Dean of Studies:* (845) 437-5255

*Residential Life:* (845) 437-5860

*SART:* (845) 437-7333

### OFF CAMPUS

Campus staff can assist you in contacting the police or you can contact them directly to file a police report or obtain a protective order.

#### Town of Poughkeepsie Police:

*Emergencies:* 911

*Non-emergencies:* (845) 485-3666

## Medical Attention

Immediate medical attention may treat any injuries incurred by the assault, help to prevent the spread of STIs, prevent possible pregnancy, or preserve evidence.

### ON CAMPUS

**Health Services** (Baldwin): Free medical examinations and pregnancy prevention medication during hours.  
(845)437-5800

### OFF CAMPUS

**Sexual Assault Forensic Exam** (SAFE)  
Nurses (at Vassar Brothers/St. Francis Hospitals):  
24/7 free medical and forensic examinations including evidence collection, which can aid in reporting.  
(845) 452-7272

## Counseling/Support

Whether you are seeking help while in a relationship or want support for a past experience, free and confidential counseling is available on and off campus.

### ON CAMPUS

**Counseling Service** (Metcalf): Confidential individual/group counseling and referrals to off-campus counseling resources.

*For appointments:* (845) 437-5700

*For the 24-hour counselor on call:* (845) 437-7333

CARES: Non-judgmental listening service run by students serving those affected by issues of personal violation.

*24-hour peer support:* (845) 437-7333

### OFF CAMPUS

#### Poughkeepsie Domestic Violence Services

(DVS): Free and confidential support, advocacy, counseling, and emergency assistance for survivors of dating and domestic violence.

*24-hour hotline:* (845) 452-7272

**Grace Smith House:** Shelter services, advocacy, and crisis intervention for survivors of dating/ domestic violence.

*Hotline:* (845) 471-3033