



If you have experienced sexual assault, rape, relationship abuse, and/or stalking, it is not your fault and you are not alone. We are here to help.

The Sexual Assault & Violence Prevention (SAVP) Office at Vassar College aims to prevent and respond to sexual assault, relationship abuse, stalking, and sexual harassment through prevention education, collaboration, outreach, and advocacy. SAVP is committed to taking a survivor-centered approach, which means that if a student is victimized, they are given their options and make the decisions about what services they would like to access and whether or not they would like to report the incident. The SAVP Office can provide the following services to survivors:

## SUPPORT & ADVOCACY

- The **SAVP Director** provides private, individualized, and survivor-centered support to survivors of sexual assault, relationship abuse, and stalking on campus. Support and advocacy services include: emotional support, safety planning, assistance with Title IX reporting, accompaniment to on and off campus appointments, advocacy with medical services, assistance with academic/residential support and relief (room changes, course work relief, no contact orders, referrals to counselors), and information/resource referrals.
- **Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Advocates** are trained Vassar faculty, administrators, and staff who are available 24/7 to provide survivor-centered advocacy and support for survivors of sexual assault, relationship abuse, and stalking. They will discuss your options with you, even if you are not ready to take any action. They will 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.

## ASSISTANCE WITH REPORTING

It is your choice whether or not to file a report on or off campus. If you choose to report, it is important to preserve any evidence you have that might prove a crime was committed. The SAVP Office can help you file a formal report with the college or with the police. **Even if you do not report, you have the option to obtain academic or residential support and relief and/or a no contact order.**

- The **Title IX Office** at Vassar College receives, responds to, and addresses all reports of sexual misconduct and concerns about gender equity that affect members of the Vassar College community. They do this by responding to individual incidents, supporting those who have been harmed, and educating community members on how to create a safe and supportive campus that encourages healthy and respectful relationships. This can include campus adjudication options, such as an investigation and a hearing.
- A police report can also be filed with the **Town of Poughkeepsie Police** by calling (845) 485-3666 or the **New York State Police Campus Sexual Assault Victims Unit** by calling (844) 845-7269.

# ARE YOU SAFE?

If you are concerned about your own or someone else's safety, call **911** or **Vassar Safety & Security at (845) 437-7333**.

If you are safe and are looking for information about on/off campus resources or reporting options, you can call a **Vassar Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Advocate at (845) 437-7333** or visit [savp.vassar.edu/resources](http://savp.vassar.edu/resources) for a full list of resources and options.

## 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 support resources** do not have to let anyone know that you came forward for support or help, unless there is imminent danger to someone's life.

- Vassar Counseling Services: (845) 437-5700
- Vassar Counseling Services 24-hour Counselor: (845) 437-7333 (24/7)
- Vassar Health Services: (845) 437-5800
- Center for Victim Safety & Support in Poughkeepsie
  - Rape Crisis/Crime Victims: (845) 452-7272 (24/7)
  - Domestic Violence: (845) 485-5550 (24/7)
- SAFE Exam at Vassar Brothers Medical Center: (845) 454-8500 (24/7)
- SAFE Exam at Mid-Hudson Regional Hospital: (845) 483-5000 (24/7)
- On- or off-campus clergy

**Private resources** do not have to let anyone know that you came forward for support or help, unless there is imminent danger or community safety concerns. They also fill out an anonymous report (without any identifying information) that is kept confidentially with the SAVP Office.

- SAVP Director & Victim/Survivor Advocate: (845) 437-7863
- SAVP Violence Prevention Educator: (845) 437-7975
- SART Advocates: (845) 437-7333 (24/7)
- Director of Health Education: (845) 437-7769
- Student Fellows and House Student Advisors

**Responsible Employees** are required to notify the Title IX Office of disclosures of sexual assault, sexual harassment, relationship abuse, and/or stalking. A survivor may decide whether and when to respond to subsequent outreach from the Title IX Office.

- All other non-student employees (e.g. President, Administrators, Faculty, Coaches, Staff, etc.) are considered responsible employees.
- Title IX Coordinator: (845) 437-7924
- Dean of Students: (845) 437-5315
- Residential Life Administrators & Staff: (845) 437-5860 (24/7)
- Safety & Security: (845) 437-7333

All services are available for individuals of any race, ethnicity, color, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, class, ability, citizenship and immigration status, and age.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Full descriptions of Vassar policies, on/off campus resources, and reporting options, can be found on the SAVP Office website at [savp.vassar.edu](http://savp.vassar.edu) and/or the Office of Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action website at [eoaa.vassar.edu](http://eoaa.vassar.edu).