

EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR VAWA CRIMES

First Institute provides education programs to promote the awareness of rape, acquaintance rape, dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. First Institute provides primary prevention education to new students through interactive, online training. Courses include:

Sexual Violence Awareness (Campus Save Act):

Although federal regulations guarantee all students the right to an education free from sexual harassment and violence, sexual assault remains a significant problem on college campuses nationwide. This course is designed to promote awareness of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking, as well as how to identify and respond to incidents of sexual violence on campus. Topics covered include sexual violence and related laws and mandates; what actions to take if you're a bystander to sexual harassment; what to do if you or someone you know experiences sexual violence; and disciplinary proceedings, victim resources and supportive measures.

Sexual Violence Prevention:

Sexual violence in higher education is pervasive, and no institution is immune to the harm caused by sexual assault; dating and relationship violence; sexual harassment; and stalking. However all students have a part to play in reducing sexual violence on their campus. This course discusses the finer points of consent, provides an overview of sexual violence, and empowers students to take action to prevent further harm. Using presenter-led content, personal accounts of interpersonal violence, interactive elements, and scenarios that demonstrate key concepts, this course illustrates how sexual violence prevention goes beyond victims and perpetrators. It affects everyone and requires all of us to take action.

Alcohol and Other Drugs:

Alcohol and Other Drugs is a reality-driven online course designed to educate students on the risks of the abuse of alcohol and other drugs, and to teach successful strategies for handling dangerous situations related to these substances. The course features four modules: Your GPA, Your Brain, Your Peers and Your Life. Each section provides extensive, research-backed evidence of the detrimental effects alcohol and other drugs can have, and how social skills and interactions can help reduce harm associated with these substances.

The online training includes: a statement that these crimes are prohibited at the school, definitions of consent, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; safe and positive bystander intervention when there's a risk of one of those incidents; information on risk reduction to recognize warning signs of abusive behavior and avoiding potential attacks; and information about the institutional disciplinary procedures.

All employees are required to complete online training on preventing discrimination and sexual violence entitled "Sexual Violence Awareness for Employees (Campus SaVE Act)" by Vector Solutions. The online training includes:

- Identification of and response to incidents of sexual violence against students
- Sexual violence awareness
- Risk reduction and bystander intervention
- Action to take after sexual violence has occurred
- Student disciplinary proceedings
- Victim protections and sanctions

RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR SUPPORT

Any student, employee, or campus community member who has experienced sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and/or stalking is encouraged to immediately notify law enforcement and/or seek immediate medical assistance. For local law enforcement emergency assistance, call 911.

After an allegation that an act of sexual violence has occurred, including any act of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking, the school offers students a range of protective measures.

Resources and contacts for trained off-campus advocates and counselors in the local community are available to provide immediate confidential response in a crisis situation and offer intervention services and counseling.

Survivors of Sexual Assault

The CARE Center -24-Hour Crisis Line -McHenry County		800-892-8900
Confidential Counseling Services		
The CARE Center of McHenry County		815-671-4004
National Sexual Assault Hotline		800-656-HOPE (4673)
Lake County Council against Sexual Assault Crisis Line		847-872-7799
Office Phone: 847-244-1187		
<i>Serving: Lake, Northeast Cook, McHenry Counties & Southern Wisconsin</i>		
Mutual Ground		630-897-8383
Office Phone: 630-897-0084		
mutualground.org/		
Community Crisis Center Elgin, IL Crisis Line	English	847-697-2380
	Español	847-697-9740

Survivors of Domestic Violence

Turning Point, Woodstock, IL		815-338-8081
<i>Serving: McHenry & Northwest Cook Counties</i>		
Community Crisis Center Elgin, IL Crisis Line	English	847-697-2380
	Español	847-697-9740
National Domestic Violence Hotline		800-799- SAFE (7233)
A Safe Place/Lake County Crisis Center Crisis Line		800-600-SAFE (7233)
Office Phone: 847-731-7165		
TTY: 847-249-6557		
<i>Serving: Lake, McHenry & North Cook Counties</i>		



Mutual Ground

630-897-0080

Office Phone: 630-897-0084

mutualground.org/

Office of the Illinois Attorney General

Crime Victim Assistance Line

800-228-3368

Website Resources:

Dating Abuse:

loveisrespect.org

Stalking:

Women's Law:

womenslaw.org

National Stalking Resource Center:

victimsofcrime.org

Sexual Assault:

National Sexual Violence Resource Center:

nsvrc.org

RAINN:

rainn.org

Center for Changing our Campus Culture:

changingourcampus.org/

Technology:

Safety Net:

techsafety.org/resources