

BROOKLYN COLLEGE
THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND RESOURCES FOR
VICTIMS/SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE

If you have been subjected to **sexual violence** (including sexual assault; dating, domestic and intimate partner violence; stalking and/or voyeurism),

YOU HAVE THE RIGHT

- to make a report to campus security, local law enforcement, &/or state police or choose not to report
- to report the incident to the College
- to receive assistance and resources from the College
- to be protected by the College from retaliation for reporting an incident

STAY SAFE AND PRESERVE EVIDENCE

1. **GET TO A SAFE PLACE.** If you are being stalked or threatened, or are concerned about your personal safety, call Brooklyn College Public Safety at (718) 951-5444, the NYC Police Department at 911, or go to a police station or hospital.
2. **CALL FOR ASSISTANCE.** Call the Brooklyn College Personal Counseling Center at (718) 951-5363, Public Safety, the NYC Police, or the NYPD Special Victims Division hotline (available 24/7) at (646) 610-7272. A public safety officer can accompany you to a hospital or police station.
3. **SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION** from a resource listed below or at an emergency room. The listed resources (next page) can provide treatment for injuries and for possible exposure to sexually transmitted diseases or emergency contraception.
4. **PRESERVE ANY PHYSICAL EVIDENCE.** You can decide whether to press charges later, but you can only preserve physical evidence now. Many NYC hospitals have specially trained “sexual assault forensic examiners” (SAFE) who gather evidence usable in court. SAFE exams are free, and you can stop them at any time if you are not comfortable. If possible, avoid drinking, eating, showering, brushing teeth, combing hair or changing clothes before seeing a SAFE. If you have done any of these things, evidence can still be collected, and it remains important to seek medical attention. Evidence collection does *not* require you to make a police report or press charges, it just preserves these options.

The SAFE Center closest to Brooklyn College is **Kings County Hospital Center, Crisis Center Room – S1N30, 451 Clarkson Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11203, (718) 245-4602**; or see: <https://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/safe/> for additional SAFE Centers throughout NYC.

FOR MORE INFORMATION about your rights and available assistance, view COMMUNITY RESOURCES on the back of this page or visit: <https://www1.cuny.edu/sites/title-ix>

CONFIDENTIALITY AND PRIVACY

Confidentiality. Some **Resources** can provide confidentiality; they are not required to report incidents to the Title IX Coordinator or other Brooklyn College or law enforcement officials. These **Resources** generally include licensed health care providers, rape crisis counselors and clergy.

Privacy. Many Brooklyn College faculty and staff are legally obligated to notify the Title IX Coordinator. Listed Brooklyn College resources who cannot guarantee confidentiality will maintain your privacy to the greatest extent possible and share information only on a need-to-know basis. The information you provide to a non-confidential resource will be shared only as needed to investigate or seek a resolution.

Confidential Resources and Private Resources are available on an emergency basis. You may speak with a trained **Resource** who can provide information about your options, confidentiality and privacy, preserving evidence and obtaining a sexual assault forensic examination, and the differences between the criminal justice process and CUNY processes.

Please remember: criminal proceedings and campus proceedings are different: only law enforcement officials, such as the NYPD or DA's Office, can advise whether specific conduct violates criminal laws.

RESOURCES

*Available 24/7

POLICE	*911 or NYPD Special Victims Division hotline 646-610-7272
BROOKLYN COLLEGE PUBLIC SAFETY	*(718) 951-5444
BROOKLYN COLLEGE CONFIDENTIAL	<p>FOR STUDENTS: Personal Counseling Center: 0203 James Hall, (718) 951-5363 BC Health Clinic: 114 Roosevelt Hall, (718) 951- 5580 Women's Center: 227 Ingersoll Hall Extension, (718) 951-5777</p> <p>FOR EMPLOYEES: *CUNY Work/Life Program: (800) 833-8707</p>
PRIVATE— BUT NOT ALWAYS CONFIDENTIAL	<p>Title IX Coordinator, Michelle Mendez, mvargas@brooklyn.cuny.edu, (718) 951-4128 (all)</p> <p>*Public Safety, (718) 951-5444 (all) Student Affairs, studentaffairs@brooklyn.cuny.edu, (718) 951-5352 (students) Human Resources, (718) 951-5137 (employees)</p>
FREE OFF-CAMPUS RESOURCES	<p>* Safe Horizon Hotline: (212) 227-3000 NYC Alliance Against Sexual Assault: 212-514-SAFE (7233) *RAINN: Rape Abuse & Incest National Network Hotline: (800) 656-4673 NYC Family Justice Centers: https://www.nyc.gov/site/ocdv/programs/family-justice-centers.page NYS Office of Victim Services: (800) 247-8035, https://www.ovs.ny.gov</p>