WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF SEXUAL ASSAULT

Sexual assault is a crime. It is also a violation of University policy and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which prohibits discrimination based on sex, including sexual assault. Sexual assault will not be tolerated at SMU. If you are the victim of sexual assault, please know that SMU is here to help:

**ALERT POLICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.** Call 911 to reach the Plano Police Department or police in your area.

**SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY,** even if you decide not to contact police. A certified Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) can provide medical care and an exam that preserves evidence at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Plano, 972-981-8003, and at Presbyterian Hospital Dallas, 214-345-6203.

**PRESERVE EVIDENCE BEFORE THE EXAM.** Do not bathe, shower or use toothpaste or mouthwash; do not wash clothing, bed sheets, pillows or other potential evidence.

**SEEK SUPPORT.** For confidential counseling and assistance, contact:
- SMU Counseling Services, 214-768-2277 (available 24/7)
- SMU Chaplain’s Office, 214-768-4502
- The Turning Point Rape Crisis Center of Collin County, 1-800-886-7273, and Dallas Area Rape Crisis Center, 972-641-7273, are community resources that provide confidential help.

**KNOW YOUR RIGHTS.** You have the right to pursue criminal charges through the district attorney’s office in the appropriate jurisdiction. You also have the right to pursue an internal grievance process by filing a complaint under SMU’s Title IX policy. The criminal and internal grievance processes, which are independent of each other, can be pursued at the same time.
- Plano Police (criminal reporting), 911, or SMU Police, 214-768-3333
- SMU Title IX Coordinator (internal grievance reporting), 214-768-3601

**MORE RESOURCES:** The following SMU resources also are here to support you. They will protect your privacy to the extent possible, but are required to report sexual assaults to SMU’s Title IX Coordinator and to SMU Police.
- Office of the Dean of Student Life, 214-768-4564
- Violence Prevention & Support Services, 214-768-4512
- Women & LGBT Center, 214-768-4792

Your health and safety are important to SMU. Learn more at [smu.edu/LiveResponsibly](http://smu.edu/LiveResponsibly). Provided by the Division of Student Affairs, SMU Police and SMU’s Title IX Coordinator.