What is Sexual Assault?

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American men report experiencing rape in their lifetime
American men report sexual violence other than rape

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Sexual Assault on Campus

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73% of sexual assaults are perpetrated by non-strangers.

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Reducing Risk

The following are tips to prevent sexual assault:

Build Trustworthy Situations
- Go out with your friends, your family.
- Be aware of your surroundings.
- Do not engage in risky behavior.

Social Situations
- Know your limits.
- Use your judgment.
- Do not engage in risky behavior.

Supporting Survivors

There are many ways to help a survivor of sexual assault:

- Assure them of their rights.
- Encourage them to report the assault to law enforcement.
- Encourage them to contact a hotline.
- Offer to accompany them to see a victim advocate.
- If they are considering suicide, check in with them regularly.
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Get the facts about sexual assault on campus

13.7%  Of undergraduate women had experienced sexual assault since entering college – Campus Sexual Assault Study

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Statistics are compiled from Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN), The Centers For Disease Control Violence Prevention Fact Sheet, & The National Institute of Justice.
Effects of Sexual Assault

Survivors of Sexual Assault are:

3 Times more likely to suffer from depression

6 Times more likely to suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder

13 Times more likely to abuse alcohol

26 Times more likely to abuse drugs

4 Times more likely to contemplate suicide

These statistics were obtained from Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN), 2014
Reducing Risk

The following are tips to prevent sexual assault:

If You See Someone in Danger
• If you can intervene safely do so! Otherwise call 911
• If you know the perpetrator, tell him/her you do not approve of their actions
• Don’t leave. You being there may deter the perpetrator

If Someone Is Pressuring You
• Be true to yourself
• Have a code word with friends
• Lie – if you don’t want to hurt a person’s feelings just make something up
• Think of escape routes

Social Situations
• Party Smart: cover your drink, don’t accept drinks from strangers, stay with your friends at a party
• Use the buddy system – if you came together, leave together
• Always ask for consent in sexual situations

Avoid Dangerous Situations
• Be aware of your surroundings
• Avoid isolated areas
• Keep your cellphone with you
• Avoid putting headphones in both ears

Safety Planning
• Plan how to get away in an emergency
• Know locations for emergency blue lights on campus
• Use Night Owls Shuttles
• Keep your doors locked
• Edit privacy setting on social media – don’t “check in” late at night
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There are many ways to help a survivor of sexual assault:

- Just Listen
- Assist a survivor in reporting the assault if they express interest
- Encourage them to contact a hotline
- Offer to accompany them to see a Victim Advocate
- If they are considering suicide, call a crisis hotline: [http://www.fau.edu/counseling/emergencyinfo.php](http://www.fau.edu/counseling/emergencyinfo.php)
Resources for Survivors

First, know that it was NOT your fault.

Get Help
Seek Medical Attention. Even if you don’t want to report the assault right now, it’s still important to make sure you are physically okay.

FAU Victim Services
(561) 297-0500
www.fau.edu/police/victimservices

FAU Police
Rape Aggression Defense Classes
http://www.fau.edu/police/rad.php

Online Resources
www.rainn.org
http://www.fcasv.org/

Rape Crisis Hotline
1-888-956-RAPE

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