The University at Albany is committed to providing a safe and secure environment in which all its members are treated with dignity and respect. To that end, the University takes the strongest possible stand against sexual violence in all its forms including sexual assault but also including the use of coercion, intimidation, or exploitation of others for sexual purposes. The University is actively engaged in educating its members about these vital issues and in providing timely support and assistance to victims of sexual violence.

Robert J. Jones, President

Indian Quad
Basement between Seneca & Onondaga
access via exterior staircase
(518) 442-CARE (2273)
Monday - Friday
8:30am-5:00pm
advocacycenter@albany.edu
albany.edu/advocacycenter

Carol Stenger, Director
Advocacy Center for Sexual Violence
Project SHAPE: Sexual Health & Peer Education

Mary McCarthy, Assistant Director
Advocacy Center for Sexual Violence

EMERGENCY RESOURCES
Local Police or Medical Emergency .........................911
For campus offices/resources dial last 5 digits of the phone number
if using a campus phone, e.g. 2-CARE if calling the Advocacy Center.

University Police Department
and 5-Quad Ambulance ......................... 518-442-3131
(From cell or off-campus phone)

Blue light phones are also available in all parking lots,
residence halls and on the academic podium.

CAMPUS RESOURCES
Advocacy Center for Sexual Violence ...518-442-CARE
Counseling & Psychological Services ...... 518-442-5800
Student Health Services ..................... 518-442-5454
Title IX Coordinator, Chantelle Cleary ...... 518-956-8010
Peer Assistance Middle Earth Hotline ...... 518-442-5777

OFF CAMPUS RESOURCES
Albany County Crime Victim & Sexual Violence Center ..................... 518-447-7100
24 Hour Sexual Assault Hotline ..................... 518-447-7716
The Pride Center (LGBT) ..................... 518-462-6138
In Our Own Voices (LGBT POC) ............ 518-432-4188
Equinox Domestic Violence Hotline ............ 518-432-7865
RAINN National Sexual Assault Resources ..................... 1-800-656-HOPE
rainn.org
Accessing Safety ..................... accessingsafety.org
Albany City Police ..................... 518-438-4000
Albany Medical Center Hospital ............ 518-262-3125
Albany Memorial Hospital ..................... 518-271-3257
The Advocacy Center for Sexual Violence provides a safe and welcoming environment for students impacted by sexual violence including but not limited to sexual assault, intimate partner violence and stalking, to receive support and advocacy services to help them heal.

SERVICES
Professional staff offer a range of comprehensive services to students who have been impacted by sexual violence including consultations to discuss students’ options for medical care, reporting, counseling, academic and housing accommodations, and student conduct complaints. Center staff also provide ongoing support and advocacy throughout students’ involvement with these various processes and can facilitate other referrals as needed. Supportive services are also available to students’ family members and friends.

PREVENTION & EDUCATION
The Advocacy Center for Sexual Violence offers prevention and education programs and awareness events on various sexual violence and sexual health related topics. The Advocacy Center also houses Project SHAPE: Sexual Health and Peer Education, a peer education program that offers sexuality education and sexual health promotion through interactive programs, exhibits and awareness events on and off campus.

QUESTIONS
Q: What is Sexual Violence?
A: Sexual Violence includes all acts of violence that are intimate or sexual in nature, including but not limited to sexual assault, rape, intimate partner violence, stalking, sexual harassment and sexual exploitation.

Q: Where on campus can I go for confidential advice and information?
A: There are 4 places on campus that offer confidential services for sexual violence. The first of these is the Advocacy Center for Sexual Violence which can also help you obtain all the services available to you in one stop. In addition Counseling & Psychological Services, Student Health Services and the Interfaith Center staff offer confidential services.

Q: If I go to the hospital for medical care, do I have to make a police report?
A: No, not in New York State. If you have a forensic rape exam performed, the kit will be held for 30 days at the hospital while you decide what you want to do. It will not be released from the hospital unless you file a police report.

Q: If I want to report an incident or file a complaint, whom should I call?
A: There are several reporting options available to students. To speak with an advocate about your reporting options, call the Advocacy Center for Sexual Violence at 518-442-CARE. Advocates are available to provide more information regarding reporting to the various offices below.
   • University Police Department
   • Title IX Coordinator

HELP A FRIEND OR LOVED ONE
• Be a supportive listener
• Do not judge
• Provide information and resources
• Let him/her decide the next steps
• Call or visit the Advocacy Center to receive support so you can continue to help the person you care about.

THINGS YOU CAN DO
• Call 911 or University Police at (518) 442-3131
• Get to a safe place
• Consider medical needs
• Seek advocacy, counseling and support

GET INVOLVED!
Project SHAPE is a peer education program that provides students the opportunity to educate their peers on topics related to sexuality, sexual violence prevention, and sexual health promotion. More than 120 programs and exhibits are provided each year to the University community. Members take two accredited training courses in sexuality and earn up to 6 academic credits. For more information about how to be a member, contact Carol Stenger, Director of the Advocacy Center for Sexual Violence, (518) 442-CARE, cstenger@albany.edu.