FNUniv Student Supports & Services

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To all FNUniv students:

The First Nations University of Canada, and the University of Regina, strive to create safe, equitable, and inclusive working and learning environments shaped by a culture of respect and care, which are values embedded within and uplifted by Indigenous Knowledge Systems. This includes efforts to provide an appropriate response to Sexual and Gender-Based Violence. The following information is shared with all FNUniv registered students as part of the commitment to ensure all students are aware of the available supports and services, regardless of their physical location. We will continue to communicate essential support services throughout the academic year.

Policies

All students are expected to follow the First Nations University of Canada and University of Regina policies, including all non-academic misconduct policies outlined within the Sexual Violence/Misconduct Policy (Sexual Violence/Misconduct | Policy, University of Regina (uregina.ca), the Student Code of Conduct (Student Conduct | Student Affairs, University of Regina (uregina.ca)), and the First Nations University of Canada Respectful University Policy.

Sexual Violence

The University of Regina defines sexual violence as: Any sexual act or act targeting a person’s sexuality, gender identity or gender expression, whether the act is physical or psychological in nature that is committed, threatened or attempted against a person without the person’s consent.

It includes but is not limited to:

- sexual assault;
- sexual stealing (removing a condom without your sexual partner’s consent);
- sexual harassment;
- stalking;
- indecent or sexualized exposure;
- overt/covert public masturbation;
- voyeurism;
- cyber sexual violence/harassment;
- and knowingly publishing, distributing, transmitting, selling, making available or advertising (collectively, “distribution”) an intimate image of a person, through electronic or hardcopy means, without their consent.
**Support**

If you have experienced sexual violence, whether as a university student or prior to becoming a student, remember that it is not your fault. Any student requiring support is encouraged to contact the University of Regina’s Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Coordinator (SVPR) for assistance. The SVPR will guide you through the resources and options that are available to you at the University and in your larger community. She will also give you information about the University’s reporting process. She will refer your case to the Office of Student Conduct for investigation if you decide that is the best process for you. She offers remote sessions, and she will work with you to navigate the processes, provide support, and help you determine how you feel best to move forward with your complaint. The SVPR support service is completely confidential. You may contact the SVPR via email: Sexual.Violence.Response@uregina.ca; or you can visit the website: Sexual Violence Prevention and Response | Sexual Violence, University of Regina (uregina.ca).

You may also wish to contact the FNUniv internal resources, including our Campus Wellness Counsellors, Student Success Services staff, Elders, and Elders’ Helpers/Knowledge Keepers. Administrative staff can be reached at 306.790.5950 ext. 7501 or at 306.790.5950 ext. 3127 or via email at advising@firstnationsuniversity.ca.

**Resources**

If you would like to learn more about the gender-based violence prevention activities of the University, please email sisu@uregina.ca, or check out the website: Step In Step Up | Student Affairs, University of Regina (uregina.ca)

Sincerely,

Senior Management Team