

Sexual Violence Policy

Academy of Learning Career College

1. Purpose of the Policy

The Academy of Learning Career College has adopted this Sexual Violence Policy to define sexual violence and to outline the College's approach to prevention, training, reporting, investigation, support, accommodation, and disciplinary responses to incidents or complaints of sexual violence involving its students that occur on campus or in connection with College activities or events.

The person accused of engaging in sexual violence will be referred to as the "Respondent" and the person making the allegation as the "Complainant".

2. Definition of Sexual Violence

Sexual violence means 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, and includes sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, indecent exposure, voyeurism and sexual exploitation.

3. Training, Reporting and Responding to Sexual Violence

- a) The Academy of Learning Career College shall provide students with a copy of the Sexual Violence Policy, and the acknowledgement will be made on the enrolment contract. A copy of the Sexual Violence Policy will be provided to all College's Instructors, Learning Coaches and any other staff. They will also receive training about the policy and its processes of reporting, investigating and responding to complaints of sexual violence involving its students. Any company participating in offering student internships on their premises must provide an undertaking in writing that it is in compliance with all applicable legislation, including the Ontario Human Rights Code and the Occupational Health and Safety Act and will provide students access to those policies should they encounter issues relating to sexual violence in the workplace.
- b) The complete Sexual Violence Policy shall be publicly available on the College's website and posted in the campus reception area. A copy shall be provided to students upon enrolment (included in Student Handbook) and made available separately upon request at any time. The policy shall be reviewed and updated as required by applicable legislation.
- c) Any person subject to, or witnessing incidents of, or complaints of, sexual violence should report to the Human Resources Generalist, Kim-Michael Black, kim.black@aoltoronto.com, (416) 969-8845, ext. 229 or to Training and Development Director, Annie Amenshewa, annie@aoltoronto.com, (416) 969-8845, ext. 243, upon becoming aware of them.
- d) Students who have been affected by sexual violence or who need information about support services should contact the Human Resources Generalist, Kim-Michael Black, kim.black@aoltoronto.com, (416) 969-8845, ext. 229 or the Training and Development Director, Annie Amenshewa, annie@aoltoronto.com, (416) 969-8845, ext. 243.
- e) Subject to Section 4 below, to the extent it is possible, the Academy of Learning Career College will attempt to keep all personal information of persons involved in the investigation confidential

except in those circumstances where it believes an individual is at imminent risk of self-harm, or of harming another, or there are reasonable grounds to believe that others on its campus or the broader community are at risk. This will be done by:

- i. ensuring that all complaints/reports and information gathered as a result of the complaint/reports will be only available to those who need to know for purposes of investigation, implementing safety measures and other circumstances that arise from any given case.
 - ii. ensuring that the documentation is kept in a separate section of the digital file from that of the Complainant/student or the Respondent.
- a) The Academy of Learning Career College recognizes the right of the Complainant not to report an incident of or make a complaint about sexual violence or not request an investigation and not to participate in any investigation that may occur.
 - b) Notwithstanding (f) above, in certain circumstances, the Academy of Learning Career College may be required by law or its internal policies to initiate an internal investigation and/or inform police without the complainant's consent if it believes the safety of members of its campus or the broader community is at risk.
 - c) In all cases, including (f) above, the Academy of Learning Career College will appropriately accommodate the needs of its students who are affected by sexual violence. Students seeking accommodation should contact the Chief Operating Officer or Designate.
 - d) In this regard, the Academy of Learning Career College will assist students who have experienced sexual violence in obtaining counselling and medical care and provide them with information about sexual violence supports and services available in the community as set out in **Appendix 1** attached hereto. Students are not required to make a formal report, file a complaint, or participate in an investigation in order to access supports, services, or accommodations made available by the College.

4. Investigating Reports of Sexual Violence

- a) Under this Sexual Violence Policy, any student of the Academy of Learning Career College may file a report of an incident or a complaint in writing to the Human Resources Generalist, Kim-Michael Black at kim.black@aoltoronto.com or to the Training and Development Director, Annie Amenshewa at annie@aoltoronto.com. The other department(s) that may be involved in the investigation are as follows:
 - i. Human Resources – Franchise Support Centre
- b) Upon receipt of a report of an incident or a complaint of alleged sexual violence being made, to the Human Resources Generalist, Kim-Michael Black, or Designate, will respond promptly and:
 - i. determine whether an investigation should proceed and if the Complainant wishes to participate in an investigation;
 - ii. determine who should conduct the investigation with regard to the seriousness of the allegation and the parties involved;

- iii. determine whether the incident should be referred immediately to the police;

In such cases or where civil proceedings are commenced in respect of allegations of sexual violence, the Academy of Learning Career College may conduct its own independent investigation and make its own determination in accordance with its own policies and procedures; and

- iv. determine what interim measures ought to be put in place pending the investigation process such as removal of the Respondent or seeking alternate methods of providing necessary course studies.

c) Once an investigation is initiated, the following will occur:

- i. the Complainant and the Respondent will be advised that they may ask another person to be present throughout the investigation;

The Human Resources Generalist, Kim-Michael Black, or Designate, will be:

- ii. interviewing the Complainant to ensure a complete understanding of the allegation and gathering additional information that may not have been included in the written complaint, such as the date and time of the incident, the persons involved, the names of any person who witnessed the incident and a complete description of what occurred;
- iii. informing and interviewing the Respondent of the complaint, providing details of the allegations and giving the Respondent an opportunity to respond to those allegations and to provide any witnesses the Respondent feels are essential to the investigation;
- iv. interviewing any person involved or who has, or may have, knowledge of the incident and any identified witnesses;
- v. providing reasonable updates to the Complainant and the Respondent about the status of the investigation; and

following the investigation, the Human Resources Generalist, Kim-Michael Black, or Designate, will:

- vi. review all of the evidence collected during the investigation;
- vii. determine whether sexual violence occurred, and if so
- viii. determine what disciplinary action, if any, should be taken as set out in Section 6 below.

5. Disciplinary Measures

If it is determined by the Academy of Learning Career College that the Respondent did engage in sexual violence, immediate disciplinary or corrective action will be taken. This may include:

- a) disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment of Instructors, Learning Coaches or other staff; or



- b) expulsion of a student; and /or
- c) the placement of certain restrictions on the Respondent's ability to access certain premises or facilities; and/or
- d) any other actions that may be appropriate in the circumstances.

6. Appeal

- a) Should the Complainant or the Respondent not agree with the decision resulting from the investigation, he or she may appeal the decision to the Director of Human Resources within 7 business days by submitting a letter addressed to: **100 York Blvd. Suite 400, Richmond Hill, ON, L4B 1J8, Attention: Director of Human Resources**, advising the person's intent to appeal the decision.
- b) Should the Complainant or the Respondent not agree with the decision resulting from the interaction with the Director of Human Resources, he or she may appeal the decision to the Ministry of Colleges and Universities by submitting the inquiry at the Program Approval & Registration Information System (PARIS). Students shall register in PARIS at this link: <https://www.pcc.tcu.gov.on.ca/PARISExtWeb/public/register.xhtml> with a "Student" type profile. Once they login, students shall click on Inquiry.

7. Making False Statements

- a) It is a violation of this Sexual Violence Policy for anyone to knowingly make a false complaint of sexual violence or to provide false information about a complaint.
- b) Individuals who violate this Sexual Violence Policy are subject to disciplinary and/or corrective action up to and including termination of employment of instructors/Learning Coaches, other staff or expulsion of a student.

8. Reprisal

- a) It is a violation of this Sexual Violence Policy to retaliate or threaten to retaliate against a complainant who has brought forward a complaint of sexual violence, provided information related to a complaint, or otherwise been involved in the complaint investigation process.
- b) Individuals who violate the Sexual Violence Policy are subject to disciplinary and/or corrective action, up to and including termination of employment of instructors or staff or expulsion of a student.
- c) If students, in good faith, report an incident of, or make a complaint about, sexual violence, they will not be subject to discipline or sanctions for violations of the career college's policies relating to drug or alcohol use at the time the alleged sexual violence occurred.
- d) Students who disclose their experience of sexual violence through reporting an incident of, making a complaint about, or accessing supports and services for sexual violence will not be asked irrelevant questions during the investigation process by the career college's staff or investigators, including irrelevant questions relating to the student's sexual expression or past

sexual history.

9. Policy Review

- a) The Academy of Learning Career and Business College shall review its Sexual Violence Policy at least once every three years and amend it where appropriate.
- b) The Academy of Learning Career College shall ensure that student input is considered during each review and amendment process.

10. Collection of Student Data

The Academy of Learning Career College shall collect and be prepared to provide upon request by the Superintendent of Career Colleges such data and information as required according to Subsections 32.1 (8), (9), (10) and (11) of Schedule 5 of the Ontario Career Colleges Act, 2005 as amended.

Appendix 1

The following represents a list of Provincial Rape Crisis Centres that could be provided as resources:

Canadian Association of Sexual Assault Centres Ontario - Provincial

English

Assaulted Women's Helpline
Toll Free: 1-866-863-0511
#SAFE (#7233) on Bell, Rogers, Fido or Telus
mobile
TTY: 416-364-8762
www.awhl.org

Français
Fem'aide
Telephone Toll-Free: 1-877-336-2433
ATS: 1 866 860-7082
www.femaide.ca

Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centres

35 [hospital-based centres that provide](#) 24/7 emergency care to women. To locate the Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centre nearest you, follow this link: <https://www.sadvttreatmentcentres.ca/find-a-centre/>

Alliston, Barrie, Collingwood, Midland and Orillia
Huronian Transition Homes operates La Maison
Rosewood Shelter (Midland) & Athena's Sexual
Assault Counselling and Advocacy Centre
24-Hour Crisis Line:
Barrie: 705-737-2008 or 1-800-987-0799
Midland: 705-526-4211 or 1-800-461-175
Office: 705-526-3221
www.huroniatransitionhomes.ca

Brockville
Assault Response & Care Centre
Office: (613) 345-3881 or 1-800-567-7415
arcc@bgh-on.ca www.arc-c.ca

Chatham
Chatham-Kent Sexual Assault Crisis Centre 24-Hour
Crisis Line: 519-354-8688 Office/TTY: 519-354-8908
<http://cksacc.org/>

Belleville
Sexual Assault Centre for Quinte and District
Toll-Free: 1-877-544-6424 Office: 613-967-
6300
www.sacqd.com

Cornwall
Sexual Assault Support Services for Women
Office: 613-932-1755
<http://sassforwomen.ca/>
Kitchener-Waterloo
Sexual Assault Support Centre of Waterloo Region
Crisis: 519.741.8633 Office: 519.571.0121
info@sascwr.org www.kwsasc.org

Bracebridge
Muskoka/Parry Sound Sexual Assault Services
Parry Sound District Office
Office: (705) 774-9083 or 1-877-851-6662
www.daphnewymn.com Muskoka District
Office: (705) 646-2122 or 1-877-406-1268
www.daphnewymn.com

London
Sexual Assault Centre London Crisis: 519-438-
2272
Office 519-439-0844 TTY: 519-439-0690
sacl@sacl.ca www.sacl.ca

Brantford
Sexual Assault Centre of Brantford
Crisis: 519-751-3471 Office: 519-751-1164
sexualassaultcentre@sacbrant.ca
<http://sacbrant.ca/>



London Abused Women's Centre

Office: 519-432-2204

E-Mail: info@lawc.on.ca <http://lawc.on.ca/>

Peel Region

Hope 24/7 (formerly the Sexual Assault/Rape Crisis Centre of Peel)

Crisis: 1-800-810-0180 Office: (905) 792-0821

<http://hope247.ca/>

Newmarket

Women's Support Network of York Region

Crisis: 1-800-263-6734 or 905-895-6734

Office: (905) 895-3646

www.womenssupportnetwork.ca

North Bay

Amelia Rising Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Nipissing/centre d'agressions sexuelles de Nipissing

Crisis: 705-476-3355 Office: 705-840-2403

TTY: (705) 840-5877

info@ameliarising.ca www.ameliarising.ca

Oakville

Sexual Assault & Violence Intervention Services of Halton

Crisis: 905-875-1555 or 1-877-268-8416

Office: 905-825-3622

www.savisofhalton.org

Orangeville

Family Transition Place

Crisis: 1-800-265-9178 Office: 519-942-4122

www.familytransitionplace.ca

Ottawa

Sexual Assault Support Centre

Crisis: 613-234-2266 Phone: 613-725-2160

TTY: 613-725-1657

info@sascottawa.com <http://sascottawa.com>

Ottawa Rape Crisis Centre

Crisis: 613-562-2333 Office: 613-562-2334

<http://orcc.net/>

Peterborough & Kawarthas

Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre

Crisis: (705) 741- 0260 or 1-866-298-7778

Office/TTY: (705) 741-0260

www.kawarthasexualassaultcentre.com

Iethinisten:ha Women's Shelter Akwasasne Family Violence

Program 24-Hour Crisis: 1-800-480-4208

Phone: 613-937-4322

www.akwesasne.ca/iethinistenha-women's-shelter

Durham Region

Durham Rape Crisis Centre

Crisis: 905-668-9200 Office: 905-444.9672

info@drcc.ca www.drcc.ca

Eganville

Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Renfrew County 24-Hour

Crisis: 1-800-663-3060 Office: 613-735-5551

www.wsac.ca

Guelph

Guelph-Wellington Women in Crisis

Crisis: 519-836-5710 1-800-265-7233

Office: 519-823-5806

www.gwwomenincrisis.org

Hamilton

Sexual Assault Centre (Hamilton and Area)

Crisis: (905) 525-4162 Office (905) 525-4573

TTY: 905-525-4592

www.sacha.ca

Kenora

Kenora Sexual Assault Centre

Crisis: (807) 468-7233 or 1-800-565-6161

Office: (807) 468-7958

www.kenorasexualassaultcentre.com

Kingston

Sexual Assault Centre Kingston

Crisis: 613-544-6424 or 1-877-544-6424

Office: 613-545-0762

sack@sackington.com www.sackington.com

YWCA Peterborough Haliburton

Crisis: 1-800-461-7656 Office: 705.743.3526 x 130

www.ywcapeterborough.org

Sault Ste Marie

Women in Crisis (Algoma) Inc.

Crisis: 705-759-1230 or 1-877-759-1230

www.womenincrisis.ca

Sarnia-Lambton

Sexual Assault Survivors Centre Sarnia-Lambton

Crisis: 519 337-3320 or 1-888-231-0536

Office: (519) 337-3154

www.sexualassaultsarnia.on.ca

Simcoe

Haldimand & Norfolk Women's Service

Crisis: 1-800-265-8076 TTY: 1-800-815-6419

Office: 519-426-8048

hnws@hnws.on.ca www.hnws.on.ca

St. Catharines

Niagara Region Sexual Assault Centre

Crisis: (905) 682-4584 Office: (905) 682-7258

carsa@sexualassaultniagara.org

<http://sexualassaultniagara.org/>

Thunder Bay

Thunder Bay Sexual Assault and Sexual Abuse
Crisis and Counselling Centre

Office: (807) 345-0894 or 1-866-311-5927

tbcounselling@tbsasa.org www.tbsasa.org

Timmins and Area Women in Crisis

Crisis: 1-877-268-8380 (sexual assault)

Crisis: 1-855-827-7233 (shelter) Office: (705) 268-8381

info@tawc.ca <http://www.tawc.ca/>

Toronto

Oasis Centre des Femmes Téléphone : 416-591-6565

Courriel : services@oasisfemmes.org

<http://oasisfemmes.org/>

Toronto Rape Crisis Centre: Multicultural Women
Against Rape

Crisis: 416-597-8808 Office: 416-597-1171

info@trccmwar.ca crisis@trccmwar.ca

www.trccmwar.ca

Windsor

Sexual Assault Crisis Centre of Essex County

Crisis: 519-253-9667

www.saccwindsor.net

Woodstock

Domestic Abuse Services Oxford

Crisis: 519 539-4811 or 1-800-265-1938

info@daso.ca www.daso.ca