



Sexual Assault refers to an act of violence in which sex is the weapon used by the perpetrator. Sexual Violence involves any sexual action in which the trust and safety of a person is broken. Sexual Violence can be physical or verbal and occurs on university campuses at very high rates. Test your knowledge about Sexual Assault by answering the following:

1.	Women experience sexual assault at a higher rate than men.	MYTH	FACT
2.	One out of ten college women will be sexually assaulted at least once while in college.	MYTH	FACT
3.	Males are more likely to be abused by strangers than are females.	MYTH	FACT
4.	Nine out of ten rapes are never reported.	MYTH	FACT
5.	10% of rapes involve some use of alcohol and/or other drugs	MYTH	FACT
6.	The majority of male rapes are reported to law enforcement.	MYTH	FACT
7.	The most common place for a rape to occur is in the survivor's home, rapist's home, or rapist's car.	MYTH	FACT
8.	28% of male victims of rape were first raped when they were 10 years old or younger.	MYTH	FACT
9.	Rape is most commonly committed by someone the survivor knows.	MYTH	FACT
10.	"Date" rape is the most common type of rape.	MYTH	FACT

What is considered Sexual Assault?

Any behavior where there is a misuse or abuse of power.

Rape	Date/Acquaintance Rape
Incest	Child Sexual Assault
Ritual Abuse	Marital/Partner Rape
Sexual Harassment	Exposure
Fondling	Voyeurism

It is NOT okay to have sex with someone who has not given consent! Consent is NOT given if someone is:

- Sleeping or unconscious
- Silent
- Under the influence of alcohol/drugs.
- Under the age of 18

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1. **FACT** Approximately 90% of sexual assaults are committed against women and 10% are against men.
2. **MYTH** One out of four or five women will be the victim of an attempted or completed rape while in college. More than 50% of all rapes occur before the age of 18.
3. **FACT** While the majority of rapes against women are committed by an intimate partner, most of the sexual assaults committed against men are by acquaintances or strangers.
4. **FACT** Sexual assault cases are underreported. It is estimated that only one out of ten cases is reported to the police.
5. **MYTH** According to various studies, alcohol was used by the victim, perpetrator, or both in at least 50% and as many as 80% of all sexual assault cases.
6. **MYTH** Male rape is even less commonly reported to authorities than rape of females.
7. **FACT** Rape can occur any time at any place. Many occur during daytime and a large proportion happen in the victim's home. Studies of college students show that most occur in on- or off-campus housing (the room of either the survivor or perpetrator, most of the time).
8. **FACT** The majority of sexual victimization starts early in life. At least half of female rape victims experience rape before the age of 18.
9. **FACT** It is estimated that in 70-84% of sexual assaults the victim knows the perpetrator. Perpetrators can be a relative, friend, co-worker, or other acquaintance.
10. **FACT** "Date" or Acquaintance rape happens when the victim knows the rapist (as when both are on a date) and it is the most common type of rape in our society today.

If you or someone you know has been Sexually Assaulted...

...there are numerous resources available to you:

On-Campus:

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Off-Campus:

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Sources:

- The National Center for Victims of Crime: www.ncvc.org
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Injury Center – Violence Prevention: www.cdc.gov
- National Sexual Violence Resource Center: www.nsvrc.org
- Male Survivor: www.malesurvivor.org