



Steps for a Victim of Sexual Violence

If you or someone you know has experienced sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, or stalking, please consider the following steps:

Ensure Immediate Safety

- Go to a safe location as soon as possible.
- Call **911** if you are in immediate danger or require urgent medical assistance.

Seek Medical Attention

- Medical care is important to treat injuries, prevent sexually transmitted infections, and preserve evidence, even if you do not intend to report the incident.
- You have the right to request a **forensic medical exam** (commonly referred to as a “rape kit”) at a hospital or medical facility.

Preserve Evidence

- Try not to change clothes, shower, bathe, brush your teeth, or clean your body or surroundings before medical or forensic evidence can be collected.
- If you have already done so, **you can still report** the incident and receive support.
- Save any electronic communications, photos, or other documentation related to the incident.

Reporting Options

- You are encouraged, but not required, to report the incident to law enforcement. GMC can help you make this report.
- Reporting to GMC’s **Title IX Coordinator** can initiate supportive measures and/or a campus investigation, regardless of whether you file a police report.

Supportive Measures

- GMC will provide and enforce **protective measures** as appropriate, including:
 - No-contact orders
 - Academic accommodations
 - Changes to housing, transportation, or work schedules
 - Enforcement of any court-issued **protective, restraining, or no-contact orders**

You Have Rights

- You have the right to be treated with dignity and respect.
- You have the right to choose whether to report and to whom.
- You have the right to receive support services, regardless of whether you file a formal complaint.

For more information or to speak confidentially, please contact the **Title IX Coordinator 478-387-4957**.