Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act Annual Report

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On or before November 1, 2017 and on or before every November 1 thereafter, each higher education institution shall provide an annual report, concerning the immediately preceding calendar year, to the Department of Human Rights and the Attorney General with all of the following components:

Part A

(1) A copy of the higher education institution's most recent comprehensive policy adopted in accordance with Section 10 of the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act.

The University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign's Comprehensive Sex-Based Misconduct Policy is available online at: cam.illinois.edu/policies/hr-79

(2) A copy of the higher education institution's most recent concise, written notification of a survivor's rights and options under its comprehensive policy, required pursuant to Section 15 of the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act.

Rights and Options of Students Who Have Experienced Sex-Based Misconduct: wecare.illinois.edu/policies/campus/rights

(PDF version of Rights and Options)

Part B

- I. Campus Training, Education and Awareness
- (3) The number, type, and number of attendees, if applicable, of primary prevention and awareness programming at the higher education institution.

A full list of both primary prevention and awareness programs for students and employees, in addition to ongoing awareness programming, is available in our <u>Annual Security and Fire Safety Report</u> under "Education and prevention programs" at <u>Sexual misconduct awareness and prevention programs offered by the university in 2023</u>. They can be found in the <u>PDF version</u> of the report on pages 78-86.

II. Reports

The reports listed in 4-10 below occurred in Clery reportable locations (Clery geography) or where the location was not known or not disclosed (see <u>Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act: Frequently Asked Questions</u>).

For sexual violence, the university submitted numbers classified under "sexual assault" and "sexual violence" per the university's Sex-Based Misconduct Policy. See <u>Sex-Based Misconduct Policy Prohibited Conduct</u> for definitions of sexual assault, sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

(4) The number of incidents of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking reported to the Title IX coordinator or other responsible employee, pursuant to Title IX of the federal Education Amendments of 1972, of the higher education institution.

The following reports involving alleged student victims at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign were received by the university in 2023. These numbers do not include anonymous and confidential reports that are captured in response (5).

Incident Type	Number Reported		
Sexual violence	52		
Domestic violence	45		
Dating violence	0		
Stalking	87		

Note 1: The above statistics represent reports received in Calendar Year 2023 (hereafter 2023). Accordingly, the statistics may include allegations of incidents occurring prior to 2023, as well as allegations for which the date of the alleged offense was not provided.

(5) The number of confidential and anonymous reports to the higher education institution of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

Confidential reports involving alleged student victims received in 2023	Number
Sexual violence	121
Domestic violence	28
Dating violence	58
Stalking	40

Anonymous reports involving alleged student victims received in 2023	Number
Sexual violence	6
Domestic violence	2
Dating violence	0
Stalking	3

Note 1: The above statistics represent reports received in 2023. Accordingly, the statistics may include allegations of incidents occurring prior to 2023, as well as allegations for which the date of the alleged offense was not provided.

Note 2: For the purposes of this report, a Confidential Report is one made to a confidential advisor or a campus confidential resource. Confidential Advisors and campus confidential resources provided aggregate data regarding these categories; no information regarding the complainant, the respondent or the location of the incident was included in this information. Due to the confidential nature of this work, it is possible that someone went to multiple offices for the same incident. Duplicate reports are expected.

Note 3: For the purposes of this report, an Anonymous Report is one where a report was submitted through anonymous platforms and the identity of the alleged victim is not known. Accordingly, it is possible these statistics include students or non-students as alleged victims. If a reporter marked the report as anonymous (not disclosing the reporter information) but disclosed the identity of the alleged victim and that person was a student, those reports were counted in question number 4.

(6) The number of allegations in which the survivor requested not to proceed with the higher education institution's complaint resolution procedure.

The following are the number of allegations in which alleged student victims requested in 2023 that the university not proceed with the university's formal complaint resolution procedures.

Allegation Type	Number of Requests		
Sexual violence	42		
Domestic violence	27		
Dating violence	0		
Stalking	58		

Note 1: This statistic includes reports where the university did not proceed with formal complaint resolution procedures (or Title IX formal complaint informal complaint resolution procedures) based upon alleged student victims who did not respond to the university's requests for information about the allegations, reports where they requested not to proceed with formal complaint resolution procedures, or who requested a no contact directive (or support services, informal response, or other interim measures) but asked that we do not proceed with formal (or Title IX informal) complaint resolution procedures. This may also include cases where the complainant requested not to proceed with formal complaint resolution procedures for the allegations listed, but the university determined some educational or other informal response (other than formal or Title IX informal complaint resolution procedures) was appropriate or the university investigated non-sex-based misconduct related allegations tied to the incident. The right to proceed with the sex-based misconduct formal complaint resolution procedures (or Title IX informal complaint resolution procedures) at a later date is preserved.

Please note that there may be other reasons outside of a request not to proceed that the university may not have proceeded with formal complaint resolution procedures, such as the respondent not being affiliated with the university or the identity of the respondent was not able to be determined.

(7) The number of allegations of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking that the higher education institution investigated.

The university treats all allegations seriously. In addition to considering any requests by the alleged student victim for confidentiality or not to investigate the allegations, the university assesses its broader campus safety and institutional responsibilities when deciding whether additional investigation is warranted. As noted above, other factors such as the respondent not being affiliated with the university or the identity of the respondent was not able to be determined influence whether allegations are investigated.

Subject to that, the following statistics reflect the allegations received pertaining to alleged student victims in 2023 that were subsequently investigated beyond the initial investigative assessment:

Allegation Type	Investigated		
Sexual violence	5		
Domestic violence	3		
Dating violence	0		
Stalking	3		

(8) The number of allegations of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking that were referred to local or State law enforcement.

Per university policy, student complainants/alleged victims identified from sex-based misconduct reports submitted to the Title IX coordinator or a responsible employee are provided information about their rights and options, including their option to report to law enforcement (see <u>Rights and Options</u>). Trained confidential advisors are available to assist them in making a report to the police. Some reports were also made to university police. Thus, the number of allegations of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking that were referred to local or state law enforcement is consistent with the number of incidents reported in (4) above.

Allegation Type	Number Referred		
Sexual violence	52		
Domestic violence	45		
Dating violence	0		
Stalking	87		

Note 1: The decision of whether to report or not report an allegation to the police remains with the alleged victim. It is also possible for students who reported directly to a confidential advisor or resource to receive information about their rights and options, including their right to report to law enforcement.

Note 2: The information in this section includes any report where the university gave advice or guidance (including notification of the option to report to law enforcement and/or helping the student file a complaint with law enforcement) to a specific student victim after the student reported an incident to the university.

(9) The number of allegations of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking that the higher education institution reviewed through its complaint resolution procedure.

The following statistics reflect the allegations involving alleged student victims that were reviewed in 2023 through the university's complaint resolution procedures for student respondents:

Allegation Type	Number Reviewed		
Sexual violence	1		
Domestic violence	1		
Dating violence	0		
Stalking	1		

Note 1: Some cases reported in the 2022 Calendar Year were decided in 2023. Some cases reported in 2023 were decided during the 2024 Calendar Year (those cases are not included here).

Note 2: Per the 2022 Revised Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act ("Act") Frequently Asked Questions from the Illinois Attorney General, (9) and (10) include only data related to complaints made by students against students subject to discipline under the HEI's complaint resolution procedure. This would not include cases resolved through employee procedures.

(10) With respect to all allegations of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking reviewed under the higher education institution's complaint resolution procedure, an aggregate list of the number of students who were (i) dismissed or expelled, (ii) suspended, (iii) otherwise disciplined, or (iv) found not responsible for violation of the comprehensive policy through the complaint resolution procedure during the reporting period.

The following statistics reflect the allegations involving alleged student victims that were reviewed in 2023 through the university's complaint resolution procedures for student respondents:

Sanction	Sexual	Domestic	Dating	Stalking
	Violence	Violence	Violence	
Students dismissed	0	1	0	0
Students suspended	0	0	0	0
Students otherwise disciplined (total of sanctions a and b	0	0	0	1
below)				
a. Students placed on probation	0	0	0	1
b. Students placed on dismissal held in abeyance status	0	0	0	0
Students found not in violation	1	0	0	0
Students whose charges were dropped	0	0	0	0

Note 1: Expulsion is not a possible formal sanction at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. For official definitions of the above sanctions, see <u>Student Disciplinary Procedures</u>, <u>Article II</u>, <u>Section 2.09</u>: <u>Actions Possible in Individual Student Discipline Cases</u>.

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The Office of the Attorney General shall maintain on its Internet website for public inspection a list of all higher education institutions that fail to comply with the annual reporting requirements as set forth in this subsection (b).

(Source: P.A. 99-426, eff. 8-21-15.)

Submit completed reports via mail or email to the addresses below by November 1st:

- Office of the Illinois Attorney General Civil Rights Bureau 100 W. Randolph Street, 11th Floor Chicago, IL 60601 civilrights@atq.state.il.us
- Illinois Department of Human Rights 555 W. Monroe Street, Suite 700 Chicago, IL 60661 IDHR.Webmail@Illinois.gov