HOW TO REPORT An Incident of Sexual Misconduct

If you are a victim of sexual misconduct, MCAD is here to support you. Remember, it’s not your fault.

Confidentiality: Confidentiality for students involved is not guaranteed. Complainant needs to give permission in order to move forward with an investigation.

Complainant: An individual who initiates a case or complaint against the Respondent.

Respondent: The person who is alleged to have been involved with actions that are prohibited under Title IX.

Decision Maker: An impartial party who decides or resolves the dispute.

Keep an eye out for workshops on campus.

This pdf is intended to provide a snapshot of the reporting process. Visit mcad.edu/title-ix for full policy and procedures.

Resources

Ways to Report

Report to the Title IX Coordinator or Deputy Coordinator
You can request a Formal Investigation, which will initiate the steps below.

You can also request an Informal Resolution Process.

OR

Report Anonymously mcad.edu/titleix
This is a non-investigated report. The Complainant can always choose to come forward later.

If Complainant does not want an investigation:
Interim measures can still be put in place. Complainant can decide to move forward with an investigation later if they choose.

Interim measures, policy, procedures, and rights are discussed with the Complainant and Respondent. Support in notifying the police is provided if Complainant wishes.

The Complainant is not required to notify the police; it is up to them whether they pursue a criminal investigation.

Interim measures may include: change of classes, housing, or work schedule
Complainant and Respondent may request a no-contact order if they wish.

Respondent is allowed due process in an investigation and allowed to remain enrolled during the process.

If Complainant does not want an investigation:
Interim measures can still be put in place. Complainant can decide to move forward with an investigation later if they choose.

The Decision Maker will moderate a live hearing where students will cross-examine one another through an advisor.

The Decision Maker will review the entire investigation and responses to live hearing, then make a determination on whether the policy was violated.

The Decision Maker will email the Decision Maker’s decision to both the Complainant and Respondent. If a violation is found, sanctions are imposed.

The severity of the sanctions is decided on a case-by-case basis.

Title IX Coordinator will send updates to Complainant and Respondent as needed throughout the investigation.

The investigator takes statements from Complainant and Respondent. Witnesses are interviewed and evidence collected.

The Complainant or the Respondent can appeal the decision should it meet the requirements per the MCAD policy.

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