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Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security (Clery Act)
Annual Security Report
Sex and Gender Based Misconduct Response and Prevention Policy
Alcohol & Substance Abuse Policy
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CAMPUS WATCH

It's your campus - Protect it!

A truly safe campus can only be achieved through the cooperation of students, faculty and staff. As a member of the Ross University School of Medicine (RUSM) community, it is your responsibility to report a crime, suspicious activity or other emergencies on campus to the appropriate school official. Should you become a witness to or victim of a crime, immediately report the incident to local law enforcement officials, the Student Services office, to campus security, or to the Incident Commander, Steen Pedersen. All crimes will be investigated and when appropriate, brought to the attention of the Student Services office for disciplinary hearings.

Purpose of the Annual Disclosure Report

RUSM prepares this report to comply with the *Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security and Crime Statistics Act*. The full text of this document can also be found on the <https://medical.rossu.edu/student-consumer-information.html> or by visiting your local student services office. This report was prepared with the assistance of local law enforcement agencies. Campus crime, arrest and referral statistics include those that were reported to local law enforcement and campus faculty and staff. This data may also include crimes that have occurred in private residences or businesses adjacent to the campus.

REPORTING CRIMES AND EMERGENCIES

When making your report of an incident you will be asked to provide the following information:

1. Description of the incident
2. Date, time and location of the incident
3. Description of the persons or vehicles involved in the incident
4. Detail regarding who was notified about the incident

Upon receipt of this report RUSM will determine the appropriate response, which could include disciplinary action against the offender(s), notification to local law enforcement, notification to the campus community or other public safety alternatives deemed appropriate given the circumstances. Please note that your identity may not be confidential when reporting an incident. RUSM does not have procedures for voluntary, confidential reporting of crimes.

Once each semester, RUSM will contact the Knoxville City police department and property management to monitor and record crimes that occur within the designated area surrounding the campus that have been reported to the local Police.

All Emergencies –Dial 911

ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT

RUSM will, without delay, and taking into account the safety of the community, determine the content of the notification and initiate the SIREN notification system, unless issuing a notification will, in the professional judgment of responsible authorities, compromise efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

The Incident Commander will determine if there is a significant emergency or dangerous situation and what segment of the campus community will need to receive a notification.

RUSM will:

- Test emergency response and evacuation procedures on an annual basis
- Document each test, including the date, time, and whether it was announced or unannounced
- Publicize emergency response and evacuation procedures in conjunction with at least one test per calendar year

SIREN EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM

In the event of an emergency or a potentially dangerous threat to the campus or center arises, students, faculty and staff will receive timely notification via the SIREN system, on campus flyers, and/or email announcements. This includes any Clery Act crimes that are reported to the campus IC or local police and are considered to represent a serious or continuing threat to students, faculty, and staff. Please make sure to keep contact information updated in SIREN through the student portal at <https://myross.rossu.edu> for students and the Adtalem Global Education Commons at <https://atge.okta.com/app/UserHome> for faculty and staff.

Area Police/Fire Non-Emergency Numbers:

<u>County/City</u>	<u>Police</u>	<u>Fire/Paramedic</u>
Knoxville	865-215-7000	865-595-4480

CAMPUS ACCESS, FACILITY SECURITY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Knoxville Tennessee Campus

The Facilities department maintains the building and grounds with a concern for safety and security. Facilities staff inspect the facility regularly, promptly make repairs affecting safety and security hazards, and respond to reports of potential safety and security hazards such as broken windows, locks, etc. Students, faculty and staff can assist the Facilities staff by calling 865-338-5747 to report concerns. Additionally, the Facilities Manager routinely inspects the grounds and building to review lighting and other environmental concerns for safety.

There are fire alarms and pull stations throughout the facility that should be used only in the event of an emergency. If an emergency requires evacuation, there are signs clearly posted throughout the building indicating the best routes for evacuation.

The buildings are generally open from 6 AM to midnight. When the building is closed, it is locked and monitored by a security company. Access to classrooms and laboratories is limited to those enrolled in the courses meeting there. Access to on- and off-campus activities is limited to actively enrolled students and their guests. Students are responsible for the behavior of their guests at all times at campus-arranged events. RUSM reserves the right to require that RUSM identification cards be presented for admittance to certain locations and events. RUSM may also require students to register their guests with Student Services prior to attendance. Student, faculty and staff identification cards should be worn at all times.

There is security personnel on campus at all times and can be reached at 423-419-0031. The security officer has the authority to ask questions and request identification at any time. Criminal incidents will be referred to local law enforcement.

All crime victims and witnesses are strongly encouraged to report incidents to both campus security and local police. Prompt reporting will ensure timely warning notices to the campus community and timely disclosure of crime statistics.

Students living in off-campus student housing facilities should check with the apartment landlord for specific safety and security measures at their complex. Although most complexes provide keys for individuals and restrict access to apartments, the level of additional security varies from complex to complex. Crimes committed at off-campus housing should be immediately reported to the Police department with jurisdiction over the complex and as soon as reasonably possible to the Student Services office.

The campus security department maintains a policy concerning the monitoring and recording, through local police departments, of criminal activity in which students engaged at off-campus locations of student organizations officially recognized by the institution, including student organizations with off-campus housing facilities.

Knoxville Campus Building 2

Building 2 is located at the rear of the campus. This building has security and maintenance staff that must adhere to strict regulations of various city ordinances and routine inspections (i.e., Fire Department). The Building lists the

hours it is accessible on the student bulletin board. Admittance to the Center during off hours must be arranged with the Security Officer Terry Bryan in conjunction with the building manager. Access to classroom facilities and computer laboratories is limited to those enrolled in courses. As a further safeguard, these areas are accessible only through doors with combination locks that are regularly changed.

Location Address & Phone #	Building Phone #	Fire Dept Phone #	Police Dept Phone #
Knoxville Campus Building 2 9731 Cogdill Road Knoxville, Tennessee,	865-338-5719	911	911
After hours emergency # 1-423-419-0031		911	911

SAFETY AND SECURITY

Campus safety and security is the shared responsibility of students, faculty and staff. To enhance student, faculty and staff awareness of their responsibility for personal safety, various information and services, including but not limited to, the following are provided throughout the year:

- Pamphlets on personal safety
- Emergency safety information
- Optional renters insurance information for housing students
- Safety/security displays in the library and/or student services office
- Use of institution publications as a forum for personal safety topics
- Institution housing inspections to consider security precautions
- Escort services provided by on-duty security officer

Safety and Security Tips

Personal

- Stay alert and tuned in to your surroundings.
- Communicate that you are calm, confident and know where you are going.
- Stay away from isolated areas.
- Stay on the part of sidewalks furthest away from shrubs, dark doorways and alleys.
- Walk with a companion whenever possible.
- Check the back seat before getting into a car. Keep doors locked while driving.
- Don't overload yourself with packages or wear shoes or clothing that restricts movement.
- Avoid displaying large amounts of cash or jewelry.
- Carry a purse close to your body. Carry a wallet in an inside coat or front trouser pocket.
- If you think someone is following you, abruptly switch directions and walk toward an open store, restaurant or lighted home.
- Don't hitchhike or pick up hitchhikers.
- Park in well-lighted areas.
- Avoid isolated bus stops at times when few other people are around.
- Do not reveal your name, phone number or address to strangers.
- Never admit that you are alone or that you will be away from home.
- Keep an eye on neighbors' homes or apartments while they are away and have them do the same for you.
- Keep your local police department's phone number next to your phone.

Residence

- Keep doors locked at all times
- Draw shades and curtains whether or not you are at home
- Keep money and jewelry locked in a safe place
- Leave a light on while you are away or use a timer
- Secure sliding glass doors with commercially available locks or a rigid wooden dowel in the track
- Don't hide spare keys in mailboxes, planters or under doormats
- Make a record of your valuables and keep it in a safe spot

- Don't leave a note that says you are not in
- Never prop doors open
- Keep ladders and tools in a locked area
- Have someone cut your lawn while you're on vacation

Vehicle

- Always lock your car and remove the keys. Make sure the windows are closed.
- Lock all valuables in the trunk
- Never leave an ID tag on your key ring
- Leave only the ignition key with parking attendants
- Park in well-lit areas

Office

- Keep your purse, wallet and other valuable items with you at all times or locked in a drawer or closet
- Never leave keys lying out
- Never leave change or cash on the desk or in a top drawer
- Notify security personnel of any suspicious persons or vehicles
- Lock doors when working after normal hours
- Report any broken or flickering lights, and doors that don't lock properly

CAMPUS CRIME STATISTICS ARE INCLUDED AT THE END OF THIS DOCUMENT.

SEX AND GENDER BASED MISCONDUCT RESPONSE AND PREVENTION POLICY

This policy applies to complaints or reports of alleged sex and/or gender-based misconduct. Ross University School of Medicine ("RUSM") expressly prohibits sex and/or gender-based misconduct which includes sexual harassment, sexual assault, rape, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, sexual exploitation, and gender-based harassment. Any acts that meet this policy's definitions of sex and/or gender-based misconduct are a violation of RUSM's policy, and potentially applicable state and federal law. RUSM is committed to fostering an environment where any alleged violation of this policy is promptly reported and complaints are resolved in a fair and timely manner.

Creating a safe environment is the responsibility of all members of the community. Regardless of the definitions provided below, anyone who believes they are a victim of sex and/or gender-based misconduct should report the incident as soon as possible to the Title IX Coordinator (See "Coordinator" under "Definitions" below for contact information) or the campus complaint administrator in addition to seeking immediate medical and/or safety assistance.

This policy applies to all members of the RUSM community, and includes, but is not exclusive to faculty, staff, students, RUSM visitors, volunteers, vendors, and persons related to, receiving or seeking to receive services, or otherwise pursuing studies with the organization. It also applies, as appropriate, to any alleged act of sex and/or gender-based misconduct that adversely impacts the RUSM community, whether those acts occur on or off campus.

Definitions

"Clery Act" refers to the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, 20 U.S.C. Section 1092(f); 34 C.F.R. Part 668.46. The Clery Act requires that institutions annually disclose certain crimes which have occurred within a geography that includes campus buildings and adjacent locations. Annual disclosures are released on or by the 1st day of October each year.

"Colleague Code of Conduct" refers to the "ATGE Code of Conduct and Ethics" (https://www.adtalem.com/content/dam/atge/www_adtalem_com/documents/organizational-governance/code_of_conduct.pdf) which is applicable to colleagues at all Adtalem Global Education institutions and offices and outlines colleagues' rights and responsibilities.

"Colleague complaint procedure" is the vehicle by which colleagues can bring to the administration's attention any complaint relating to their experience with RUSM or a member of the RUSM community. It is the mechanism for investigating and trying to resolve complaints raised by colleagues and can be found in the Commons Portal > Quick Links > Policy Central.

“Complaint administrator” is a RUSM colleague or Adatalem Global Education representative responsible for conducting an investigation when a complaint of sex and/or gender-based misconduct is raised. To find the complaint administrator at any given location or for a particular complaint, consult the location’s student handbook, Student Conduct & Integrity on Dominica, Consultation and Support Services in the US or the Title IX Coordinator.

“Conduct administrator” is an official authorized to administer disciplinary proceedings for respondents who may have violated the Code of Conduct applicable to students. A conduct administrator may serve as the sole member or as a participant in the conduct panel. Nothing shall prevent RUSM from authorizing the same conduct administrator to impose sanctions in all cases at a single or multiple locations.

“Conduct panel” means any person or persons authorized by the conduct administrator to determine whether a respondent has violated the Code of Conduct applicable to students and to determine appropriate sanctions.

“Consent” is a voluntary, conscious, affirmative agreement to engage in a specific sexual act. Consent can only exist free from force, threat of force or coercion. Under this policy, “No” always means “No,” and “Yes” may not always mean “Yes.” Anything but voluntary, conscious, affirmative consent to any sexual activity is equivalent to “no” for purposes of this policy. While the legal definition of consent varies by jurisdiction (See “Related Information” for link to consent statutes by state), the following general rules apply when assessing whether consent has been/was given.

- Consent can never be assumed. Consent cannot be implied from either the lack of explicit consent or the lack of explicit dissent.
- Where there is use of threat or force by the accused, the lack of verbal or physical resistance or the submission by the victim does not constitute consent.
- The manner of dress of the victim does not constitute consent.
- Past consent to sexual contact and/or a shared sexual history does not imply consent to future sexual contact.
- A person who initially consents to sexual contact including penetration may withdraw continued consent at any time during the course of that interaction.
- Consent to some form of sexual activity cannot automatically be taken as consent to any other form of sexual activity.
- Intoxication due to use of alcohol or drugs may impair an individual's capacity to consent freely and may render an individual incapable of giving consent.
- A power differential between people engaged in a sexual act presumes the inability to consent for the less powerful person (e.g. the student in a student-colleague interaction; the supervisee in a direct report-supervisor interaction).

“Coordinator” refers to the Title IX Coordinator. Ms. Camille Lee and Mr. Neil Callicot, Title IX Coordinators (TitleIXCoordinator@RossU.edu or 630-829-0233) are responsible for overseeing compliance with all aspects of this policy and designated to receive and monitor resolution for all Title IX reports.

“CRC” refers to the Coaching Resource Center which is available to managers to assist in addressing colleague relations concerns including complaints about colleague or vendor conduct.

“Dating violence” means sex or gender-based violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. While no form of violence is ultimately desirable, a distinction should be made between violent acts representing an effort to exert power and control within a dating relationship and defensive acts taken in response to ongoing verbal, psychological or physical abuse by a dating partner.

“Domestic violence” refers to sex or gender-based violence committed by either a current or former spouse of the victim; a person with whom the victim shares a child in common; a person who is or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse; a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the jurisdictional domestic or family

violence laws; or any other person against a victim who is protected from that person's acts under the jurisdictional domestic or family violence laws. Based on jurisdictional definitions, domestic violence may constitute a felony or misdemeanor crime. While no form of violence is ultimately desirable, a distinction should be made between violent acts representing an effort to exert power and control within a domestic relationship and defensive acts taken in response to ongoing verbal, psychological or physical abuse by a domestic partner.

“FERPA” means the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. Section 1232g; 34 C.F.R. Part 99. FERPA sets certain limits on the disclosure of student records. This policy is designed to work in tandem with FERPA, and nothing in this policy is intended to require or encourage non-compliance with FERPA.

“Gender-based misconduct” refers to unwelcome conduct, including harassment, of an unacceptable nature based on actual or perceived biological sex including behaviors based on gender identity, expression and nonconformity with gender stereotypes.

“Member of the RUSM community” includes students, faculty members or staff, and any other individuals associated with RUSM. The conduct administrator or complaint administrator shall determine a person’s status in a particular situation.

“Notice” refers to any information regardless of whether it is direct, indirect, partial or complete received by a colleague that indicates possible sex or gender-based misconduct. When notice is received, colleagues are required to inform the Title IX Coordinator or their supervisor who in turn must make a report to the Title IX Coordinator.

“One-up manager” is a colleague’s manager’s manager. It is the person responsible for receiving a colleague’s complaint when his/her direct manager is implicated in that complaint.

“Policy” is defined as a general administrative or operational direction with broad application throughout Adtalem Global Education and/or one or more of its institutions.

“Rape” is any penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim and/or by force. Rape may involve strangers or people who know one another (e.g. friend, classmate, relative, spouse or co-worker). In these instances, rape is often referred to as “acquaintance rape.” Rape is a crime regardless of a relationship or lack thereof between individuals.

“Sexual assault” is non-consensual sexual contact defined as physical contact of a sexual nature against the victim’s will or without the victim’s consent. It includes any intentional sexual touching, however slight, by direct physical contact or by use of any object, by a person upon another person, without consent and/or by force. Rape is a severe form of sexual assault.

“Sexual contact” means the deliberate touching of a person's intimate body parts (including lips, genitalia, groin, breast or buttocks, or clothing covering any of those areas), or using force to cause self-touching by another person of intimate body parts.

“Sexual exploitation” occurs when a person takes non-consensual or abusive sexual advantage of another for the advantage or benefit of themselves or any other person that is not the person being exploited by the behaviors. Examples include but are not limited to: invasion of sexual privacy; prostitution; non-consensual recording of nudity or sexual activity; voyeurism; knowingly exposing someone to an STI, STD or HIV; intentional exposure of genitals in non-consensual circumstances; and sex- based stalking or bullying.

“Sexual harassment” refers to unwelcomed sex or gender-based advances, requests for favors or other verbal, written, online and/or physical conduct. Sexual harassment occurs when a person is the recipient of conduct of a sexual nature where: (1) Submission to, or toleration of, such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of the student’s education or colleague’s employment; or (2) Submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for academic decisions about the student or professional decisions

about the colleague; or (3) Such conduct is sufficiently severe or persistently pervasive and objectively offensive thereby having the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with a person's ability to participate in or benefit from RUSM's educational, employment, social or other related programs.

"Sex and gender-based misconduct" is a broad term used to refer to all conduct prohibited by this policy. This encompasses sexual harassment, gender-based harassment, dating violence, domestic violence, rape, sexual assault, sexual exploitation and stalking. Sex and gender-based misconduct can occur between strangers or acquaintances, including people involved in an intimate or sexual relationship. Sex and gender-based misconduct can be committed by any person regardless of sex, gender or sexual orientation of the victim or perpetrator.

"Stalking" is a course of behavior directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to feel fear for personal safety, or repetitive, menacing pursuit, following, harassing and/or interfering with the peace and/or safety of another.

"Code of Conduct applicable to students" refers to the policy titled "Code of Conduct" which is accessible in the student handbook. It outlines students' rights and responsibilities, as well as the process by which action may be taken against a student for Code violations.

"Student complaint procedure" is the vehicle by which students can bring to RUSM's attention any complaint relating to their experience with RUSM or a member of the RUSM community. It is the mechanism for investigating and attempting to resolve complaints raised by students. The student complaint procedure can be found in the student handbook (<http://medhandbook.rossu.edu/>).

"Speak Up" refers to SpeakUp Aadtalem Global Education, a reporting system managed by a third party vendor (Navex Global), which encourages members of the Aadtalem community to come forward with questions or concerns, including allegations of sex and/or gender-based misconduct. Reports can be made anonymously or reporters can provide their name and contact information. All Colleagues are encouraged to reach out to askHR to escalate concerns, but if they do not feel they can do so, they can report the matter anonymously through SpeakUp. Colleagues are expected to ask legal, compliance and ethics questions and report suspected wrongdoing. Colleagues and students can utilize the SpeakUp program by phone at 1-866-421-0617 or on-line at www.speakupadtalem.ethicspoint.com. Matters are then assigned to appropriate members of the Aadtalem Home Office or Institutional Leadership for review.

"Title IX" is a federal law which prohibits sex and gender discrimination in U.S. education. Under Title IX, sex and gender-based misconduct are forms of discrimination that require investigation and appropriate remediation when students, colleagues, or other members of the educational institution's community are impacted. Title IX is enforced by the U.S. Department of Education.

"VAWA" refers to the Violence Against Women Act, 34 CFR Part 668. VAWA supports community resources for victims of rape, sexual assault, stalking, dating violence and domestic violence and articulates expectations regarding the management of related concerns when a report is made to representatives of U.S. colleges and universities.

"RUSM" means Ross University School of Medicine.

Prevention and Awareness

Acts that are deemed to fall within the scope of this policy are violations of the Codes of Conduct, as well as the expectations of members of the RUSM community. These acts may also be crimes. In an effort to increase the likelihood of intervention and reduce the risk of sex and/or gender-based misconduct from occurring among its students and colleagues, RUSM is committed to providing primary and ongoing awareness and prevention programming.

Primary and ongoing awareness and prevention programs will cover the continuum of issues contemplated by this policy. Themes will include situational awareness and prevention strategies such as bystander intervention and

other forms of risk reduction. While *bystander intervention* specifically refers to the safe and effective ways in which third parties can intervene to thwart sex and/or gender-based misconduct, *risk reduction* also encompasses various strategies to eliminate or reduce risk of harm by avoiding or removing oneself from situations that are dangerous or uncomfortable.

Awareness programs are events that occur online or in person that request active engagement of community members. It is the expectation and responsibility of each member of the RUSM community to participate in programming which will assist with ongoing prevention efforts, as well as effective and efficient identification and response when sex and/or gender-based misconduct does occur.

Primary prevention and awareness programming will include a comprehensive online education platform intended for viewing by all colleagues and students, as well as student-facing vendors if necessary and appropriate. The program will be completed by:

- New students and transfer students: Within three weeks of formal enrollment.
- Returning and continuing students who did not take the training as a new or transfer student: No later than the first day of classes for the semester when they are scheduled to return or continue.
- Colleagues by the date stated in email notification.
- Specific vendors by the date stated in email notification

Access to the primary prevention program and its contents will be ongoing throughout the participant's relationship with RUSM. Members of the RUSM community are encouraged to visit this resource regularly for personal, professional and academic purposes.

Ongoing prevention and awareness campaigns are public service announcements and campaigns, as well as messages and activities integrated into the day-to-day fabric of the academic community. These initiatives are intended to reinforce increased awareness regarding sex and/or gender-based misconduct and prevention strategies throughout the year. RUSM will continually seek formal and informal ways to incorporate additional awareness and prevention strategies, e.g., active and passive educational campaigns such as social norms poster campaigns, newsletter articles, presentations and volunteerism with local community resource agencies. When additional ongoing education is provided, the organizer will report that event, activity, or effort to the Title IX Coordinator for recordkeeping and quality assurance purposes. Toolkits including ideas and resources that support ongoing efforts and are related to the primary prevention and awareness programming will be made available to any campus upon request.

Additional training will be delivered to colleagues responsible for responding to reports of sex and/or gender-based misconduct, including but not limited to complaint administrators, conduct administrators, conduct panelists, and appeal reviewers. These colleagues should complete the primary prevention and awareness programming described above, as well as remote or live training and/or consultation with the Title IX Coordinator before and during management of an allegation within the scope of this policy.

Reporting

Victims may file a formal complaint with a designated local campus administrator or through the Title IX Coordinator.

TiShaunda McPherson
Director of Equity and Access
Equity@adtalem.com
630-829-0265

Camille Lee, Title IX Coordinator
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(630) 829-0233

Reports can also be made anonymously through the SpeakUp program (1-866-421-0617).

If a victim wishes to access local community agencies and/or law enforcement for support, RUSM will assist the victim in making these contacts.

Anyone may make a report regarding any information pertaining to violations of this policy. All RUSM colleagues (faculty, staff, administrators, and student workers) are required to immediately provide any information received about any actual or suspected sex and/or gender-based misconduct impacting the RUSM community to appropriate officials with some very narrow exceptions discussed elsewhere in this policy (see “Confidentiality”).

Regardless of how notice is received, reports may prompt a need for RUSM to investigate.

Any individual wishing to discuss a situation within the scope of this policy without triggering an immediate investigation should seek referral to mental health counseling services. Stateside students may seek referral from the Office of Consultation and Support Services at 770-910-4807, and/or through ASPIRE at 1-888-470-1531 or via info@myASPIREonline.com. Dominica campus can contact the Counseling Center: DMCounseling@rossu.edu, 255-6553; or the Emergency on-call counselor: 275-1385. U.S. colleagues may seek support 24 hours a day, seven days a week through GuidanceResources, the Employee Assistance Program (EAP), at 1-877-623-3879. The Dominica EAP Counselor, Francisca Plummer, can be contacted at: 1-855-291-3307 and etatherapy@gmail.com for appointments. While on campus, she can be reached at 767-276-3462. General hotline and other resource information can be found at the end of this policy. Focused support services can be obtained on Dominica through consultation with the Office of Student Affairs, 767-255-6211; Stateside through the Office of Consultation and Support Services at 770-910-4807; and in either location through the CRC, local human resources, or the Title IX Coordinator.

Individuals experiencing misconduct in violation of this policy are also always are free to notify the U.S. Department of Education:

Office of Civil Rights (OCR) - Headquarters 400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington DC 20202-1100
Customer Service Hotline #: (800) 421-3481
TDD#: (877) 521-2172
Email: OCR@ed.gov
Web: <http://www.ed.gov/ocr>
Regional Offices: <http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/addresses.html>

Support and Resources

The RUSM official who receives notification of alleged sexual and/or gender-based misconduct will offer appropriate support or refer the victim directly to immediate assistance. Assistance may initially require supported access to local medical, mental health, legal or law enforcement resources and could include academic accommodations, changes in housing for the victim or a respondent student, changes in working situations and other arrangements as may be appropriate and available (such as limiting orders, campus escorts, transportation assistance, or targeted interventions). No victim is required to take advantage of these services and resources, but RUSM provides them in the hope of offering help and supporting minimal disruption to access to academic programming or the workplace. If circumstances related to an incident change over time, these and other supportive accommodation options may be revisited. RUSM may also provide referrals to counseling services, at the victim’s option, including but not limited to the confidential colleague and student support services outlined above (See “Reporting”). Local resource lists can also be found through Office of Student Affairs on Dominica at 767-255-6211. For stateside students through the Office of Consultation and Support Services at 770-910- 4807. A brief list of national and international referral sites can be found at the end of this policy.

Disciplinary Review and Action

Acts of sex and/or gender-based misconduct are subject to disciplinary action. Disciplinary action is not intended to determine criminal responsibility. Rather it is intended to identify and respond to violations of RUSM policy and community standards.

When the victim chooses, or RUSM believes it is necessary, a prompt, fair and impartial investigation will be initiated. If allegations appear to be substantiated based on the totality of the circumstances, a respondent student may be subject to the Code of Conduct process, which will determine any violation of this policy based upon a preponderance of evidence (what is more likely than not). The student complaint procedure which details the

investigation and resolution processes, and the Code of Conduct applicable to students, which details the student disciplinary hearing process, can be found in the student handbook or online here: <http://medhandbook.rossu.edu/>

If allegations of colleague misconduct are substantiated to the preponderance of evidence standard through the investigation, colleague discipline may be imposed. The colleague complaint procedure, which details the investigation and resolution processes and prohibited colleague conduct, can be found on the Commons Portal > Quick Links > Policy Central.

The Title IX Coordinator will monitor the investigation and resolution of reports of sex and/or gender-based misconduct and facilitate compliance with this policy. Furthermore, the Title IX Coordinator will work with campus administration to identify and initiate strategies intended to remedy the effects on the victim and the RUSM community to the extent practicable and reasonable to prevent the recurrence of similar misconduct.

Privacy of the records specific to sex and/or gender-based misconduct investigations is maintained in accordance with applicable law, including FERPA. Any public release of information to comply with the timely warning provisions of the Clery Act will not include the names of victims or information that could easily lead to a victim's identification. In appropriate instances, pertinent interim actions and the results of disciplinary hearings regarding the alleged perpetrator of misconduct will be disclosed to the alleged victim and/or complainant. Confidentiality will be maintained whenever possible, however RUSM reserves the right to exercise discretion and disclose details of an incident or allegation to assure community safety or the safety of an individual.

It is RUSM's policy to hold perpetrators of sex and/or gender-based misconduct accountable for their actions through appropriate student conduct or personnel procedures, and by working with community agencies and law enforcement as appropriate. Internal mediation between the alleged victim and respondent will not be used to resolve an allegation of sexual misconduct.

In any complaint of sex or gender-based misconduct, the person bringing the accusation and the responding party are both entitled to the same opportunities for a support person or advisor of their choice throughout the process, consistent with any guidelines set forth applicable to students or colleagues. Once complete, the parties will be informed, in writing, of the outcome. Notice to both parties will include the findings, as well as the sanctions/discipline (if any) to the degree possible and always when the sanction/ discipline is directly relevant to that individual. Delivery of this outcome will not be unduly delayed to either party, and should occur in the same form and format and as near to simultaneously as possible.

Sanctions for student misconduct

Appropriate disciplinary sanctions for substantiated violations of this policy by students, up to and including expulsion, will be imposed in accordance with the Code of Conduct applicable to students found here: <http://medhandbook.rossu.edu/code-of-conduct-and-disciplinary-actions/>. The full list of available sanctions is provided in the Code of Conduct applicable to students. This policy statement is not intended to replace or substitute for the Code of Conduct applicable to students. This policy is a supplement to the community standards that the Code of Conduct applicable to students sets forth. Alleged violations of this policy will be referred to the applicable complaint administrator and/or conduct administrator for appropriate review. All parties in a student conduct proceeding will be informed at the same time and in the same manner of any final determinations, as well as RUSM's appeal process, and their rights to request an appeal. Should any change in outcome occur prior to finalization (e.g., a re-hearing ordered upon appeal), all parties will be informed at the same time and in the same manner, and will be notified when the results of the conduct process is finalized. In addition, violations of this policy may trigger application of sanctions to a student imposed under local, state, or federal law.

Sanctions for colleague misconduct

Alleged violations of this policy by colleagues will be referred to the CRC for appropriate review. Disciplinary sanctions for a colleague's violation of this policy may include written reprimand, warning, probation, suspension, housing suspension, housing expulsion, limiting order, change in job assignment, office relocation, reduction of awards under the management incentive plan, or termination of employment or contract, and will be imposed in accordance with applicable RUSM policies and procedures. RUSM reserves the right to impose further and/or

different sanctions appropriate to an individual situation. In addition, violations of this policy may trigger application of sanctions to a colleague imposed under local, state, or federal law.

Reporting by colleagues to external authorities

Colleagues who are made aware of a possible violation of this policy are required to contact their manager or one-up manager and also the Title IX Coordinator. Colleagues can also submit named or anonymous reports of sexual and/or gender-based misconduct by utilizing the ATGE “Speak Up” hotline at <http://www.speakupadtalem.ethicspoint.com/>. Colleagues should contact the Title IX Coordinator with any questions about whether a report to law enforcement is appropriate. Nothing in this policy prohibits a student or colleague from reporting a crime directly to local authorities.

Disciplinary procedures are independent of any and all procedures and proceedings under local, state, or federal criminal or civil law. In all cases, RUSM reserves the right to refer cases for parallel criminal prosecution or to pursue sanctions regardless of criminal prosecution. Violations of this policy by a visitor, volunteer, vendor, agents, or other third parties affiliated with RUSM may also result in the termination of pre-existing or future relationships.

Victim Rights

RUSM will take interim steps to protect victims of sex and gender-based misconduct and maintain a positive learning and working environment by minimizing or eliminating contact between a complainant and a respondent and providing reasonable academic, employment, and administrative accommodations in accordance with the Clery Act and Title IX. Students who are victims of sex and/or gender-based misconduct may request a change in their academic arrangements by contacting student services, the Title IX Coordinator, or local leadership. Colleagues who are victims of sex and/or gender-based misconduct may request a change in their employment arrangements by contacting their one-up manager, the CRC, the Title IX Coordinator, or local leadership.

Victim’s rights include:

1. Upon notifying RUSM of alleged incidents of sex or gender-based misconduct, victims will be informed of available options including the necessary steps and potential consequences of each option.
2. Where applicable, victims will be informed of the institution’s role regarding orders of protection, no contact orders, restraining orders, or similar lawful orders issued by a civil, criminal, or tribal court.
3. Victims have the right to be free from undue coercion from RUSM to pursue or not pursue any course of action.
4. Victims have the right to be advised of their option to notify appropriate law enforcement authorities, and be informed about how to receive assistance from RUSM in notifying these authorities, if requested.
5. Victims who have not yet reported to a colleague required to notify the Title IX Coordinator may request and receive information on how to make a confidential report for the purposes of tracking campus crime without otherwise divulging details that would require or permit RUSM to investigate and respond.
6. Victims have the right to be fully informed of any applicable disciplinary conduct process and procedures.
7. Victims have the same right as the accused to attend and have a support person of their choice and/or witnesses present at student conduct hearings.
8. Victims have the right to be informed of the outcome of any student or colleague conduct process involving alleged sex or gender-based misconduct. In the case of student conduct proceedings, victims have the right to appeal the outcome.
9. Victims have the right to request a change in academic, on-campus employment, or on-campus living arrangements after the alleged sex or gender-based misconduct and to be informed of the reasonably available options for those changes.
10. Victims will be informed about campus and/or community resources for counseling, advocacy,

and/or other services for survivors of sexual assault, relationship violence and other forms of sexual misconduct.

For all colleagues: In the event that a violation of this policy is reported to you, the victim should be provided with the above-listed options and a copy of this policy. For more specific instructions on how to properly comply with this policy, please consult the Title IX Coordinator.

Amnesty for Victims and Witnesses

RUSM encourages the reporting of sex and gender-based misconduct by victims and witnesses who are sometimes hesitant to report to RUSM officials or participate in the resolution processes because of concern that they may be accused of policy violations, such as underage drinking or drug use at the time of the incident. It is in the best interest of the community that victims and witnesses come forward to share what they know regarding violations of this policy. To encourage reporting, victims and witnesses may be provided with educational options, rather than punitive sanctions, for minor policy violations.

Similarly, RUSM encourages direct assistance to those in need as a result of sex or gender-based misconduct. In instances where minor policy violations are revealed as a result of a person providing assistance to a victim, policy violations should not be overlooked, however the RUSM may provide educational options, rather than punitive sanctions, to those who offer their assistance.

Retaliation

RUSM prohibits retaliation against anyone who reports an incident of sex and gender-based misconduct or any person who assists or participates in a proceeding, investigation or hearing relating to such allegations. Any allegation of retaliation related to the investigation or resolution of a sex or gender-based misconduct allegation will be treated as an independent Title IX complaint requiring consideration of appropriate reparative interim action, as well as investigation and resolution as described in this policy.

Retaliation includes, but is not limited to, any form of intimidation, reprisal, or harassment. All complaints of retaliation should be reported in accordance with RUSM's complaint procedures. If RUSM's procedures would result in students or colleagues being required to submit a complaint to the person whom they believe is retaliating, students or colleagues may submit the retaliation complaint directly to the Title IX Coordinator, or to the campus or location leader or one-up manager, who should also inform the Title IX Coordinator.

Submission of a good-faith complaint or report of sexual or gender-based misconduct will not adversely affect the complainant's future academic or work environment. RUSM will discipline or take other appropriate action against anyone who retaliates against any person who reports an incident of alleged sexual or gender-based misconduct or who retaliates against any person who assists or participates in a proceeding, investigation or hearing related to such allegations.

Confidentiality

RUSM wishes to create an environment in which individuals feel free to discuss concerns and make complaints. RUSM understands that complainants, witnesses, and others involved in the investigation process may be concerned about the confidentiality of the information they are sharing. In some cases, however, RUSM may be obligated to take action when it becomes aware of information relating to a complaint.

Confidentiality in cases of sex and/or gender-based misconduct will be maintained to the extent permissible by law and consistent with RUSM's obligations in investigating complaints. Once an individual discloses identifying information to RUSM through the processes described above and in the applicable complaint procedures, that person will be considered to have filed a complaint with RUSM. While the confidentiality of information received, the privacy of individuals involved, and compliance with the wishes of the complainant or witnesses cannot be guaranteed, they will be respected to the extent possible and appropriate.

If students or colleagues wish to speak with someone who can assure confidentiality, they are encouraged to access counseling services available by referral through RUSM's third party providers: ASPIRE (for students) at 1-888-

480-1531, info@myASPIREonline.com, or <http://myaspireonline.com>; and GuidanceResources (for colleagues) at 1-877-623-3879. Dominica campus Counseling Center: DMCounseling@rossu.edu, Office hours: 255-6553, Emergency on-call counselor: 275-1385.

Risk Reduction Tips

Responsibility for sexual misconduct rests with those who commit such acts. Risk reduction tips are not intended to blame the victim. There are precautions we all can take which may limit our exposure to situations which may result in non-consensual sexual acts.

- Communicate limits/ boundaries and respect the limits/ boundaries of others.
- Clearly and firmly say “No” to a sexual aggressor.
- If possible, leave the physical presence of a sexual aggressor or otherwise violently aggressive person.
- If someone is nearby, ask for help.
- Take responsibility for your alcohol/ drug use. Acknowledge that alcohol/ drugs lower sexual inhibitions and may make you vulnerable to someone who sees an impaired person as a sexual opportunity.
- Do not take advantage of someone’s intoxication or altered state even if alcohol or drugs were consumed willingly.
- If you choose to share intimate images, pictures, videos or content with others, even those you trust, be clear about your expectations regarding how the information may be used, shared or disseminated. If such information is shared with you, do not share it with others.
- Take care of friends and ask that they take care of you.
- As a sexual initiator, clearly communicate your intentions and give your sexual partner the opportunity to clearly communicate the same.
- Do not make assumptions about consent, sexual availability, sexual attraction, how far an interaction can go, or about physical and/or mental ability to consent.
- Remember that consent should be affirmative and continuous. If there is any question or ambiguity, you should proceed as if you do not have consent.
- Consider mixed messages from a partner to be an indication that sexual conduct should stop so that better communication can occur.
- Recognize the potential for a sexual partner to feel intimidated or coerced by you as a result of a power advantage, your gender, your demeanor or your physical presence. Do not use or abuse that power.

Bystander Intervention Strategies

Intervention by classmates, colleagues and others within proximity to the precursors or signs of possible sexual assault, sexual exploitation, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking can significantly impact the course of an interaction between a latent perpetrator and victim. Bystanders may also encourage friends, classmates and colleagues who are already experiencing victimization to seek assistance sooner than they may have without encouragement, support, or acknowledgement. Community members are encouraged to recognize warning signs and to consider possible methods of interference in various scenarios before opportunities to intervene arise. By planning ahead, we all maximize the likelihood of being empowered to take safe actions to either prevent sexual misconduct or offer paths to eliminate ongoing victimization.

When a member of the RUSM community observes threatening, coercive, forceful, aggressive or harassing behavior, it is important to assess the situation to determine the best possible course of action for all concerned. Some forms of intervention are direct, while others will be less apparent to the perpetrator or others within range of the interaction. Examples include but are not limited to:

- Making up an excuse to get someone out of a dangerous situation.
- Stepping in to change the course of an interaction.
- Warning potential or perceived perpetrators that their actions may lead to severe consequences.
- Refusing to leave the company of a potential victim despite efforts by an aggressor or pursuer to get the potential victim alone.

- Remaining on the scene of observed misconduct and offering to make a statement or act as a witness subsequent to intervention by security, administration or the police.
- Taking steps to reduce alcohol or drug consumption within a potentially dangerous social situation.
- Calling and cooperating with security, administration, the police or others to assist with intervention and accountability.
- Expressing concern or offering resources when you notice someone with unexplained or frequent injuries.
- Refusing to consider sex and/or gender-based misconduct a personal or private matter between the victim and the perpetrator

Procedures to Follow After a Sexual Misconduct Incident

Victims of any sexual misconduct that might constitute a crime, including domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, and rape (including acquaintance rape) that impacts the RUSM community have the option and are encouraged to contact local law enforcement authorities.

Whenever possible, victims should report a violation of this policy as soon as possible and preserve evidence as may be necessary to prove that domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking occurred, or to obtain a protection order. Victims of sexual assault or rape are strongly encouraged to report the incident as described in this policy to deter future assaults and to ensure that victims receive the services they need. Steps should be taken to help deal with physical and emotional trauma associated with the violation. Recommended steps include:

1. Go to a safe place; go somewhere to get emotional support.
2. Consider reporting the incident to the police. If requested, RUSM will assist with notification.
3. Report the misconduct to student affairs, student services, one-up manager, campus incident commander, local RUSM leadership, Title IX Coordinator, or the CRC.
4. For your safety and well-being, immediate medical attention is encouraged. Being examined as soon as possible, ideally within 120 hours, is important especially in the case of rape and other forms of sexual assault. The Campus Health Clinic will arrange for a medical examination at no charge. To preserve evidence, it is recommended that, if at all possible, you do not bathe, shower, douche, eat, drink, smoke, brush your teeth, urinate, defecate or change clothes before that exam. Even if you have already taken any of these actions, you are still encouraged to have prompt medical care. Additionally, you are encouraged to gather bedding, linens or unlaundered clothing and any other pertinent articles that may be used for evidence. Secure them in a clean paper bag or clean sheet.
5. Even after the immediate crisis has passed, consider seeking professional counseling and the support of local and specialized support agencies such as sexual assault recovery centers and domestic violence safe houses. This can help to recover from psychological effects and provide a safe environment for recovery.
6. Contact the student affairs, one-up manager, Title IX coordinator, or the CRC if you need assistance with RUSM related concerns, such as implementing no-contact orders or other protective measures. RUSM may also liaise with local authorities to assist an individual who wishes to obtain protective or restraining orders.

Victims are not required to report an incident to law enforcement authorities, but campus authorities will assist victims who wish to do so. Anyone with knowledge about a sexual assault or other sex or gender-based misconduct is encouraged to report it immediately to the Title IX Coordinator in order to permit a coordinated report to the applicable law enforcement authorities when appropriate. Nothing in this policy prohibits a student or colleague from reporting a crime directly to local authorities.

Please refer to the “Related Information” section of this document for a link to local resources for advice and assistance to victims.

Resources for Victims of Sexual Misconduct

National Sexual Assault Hotline

1-800-656-HOPE (4673)

<https://rain.org>

National Suicide prevention Hotline

1-800-273-TALK (8255)

<https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org>

National Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-799-7233

(TTY) 1-800-787-3224

<http://thehotline.org>

Americans Overseas Domestic Violence Crisis Center

1-866-USWOMEN (International Toll Free)

crisis@866uswomen.org

National Network to End Domestic Violence

<https://nnedv.org>

<https://womenslaw.org/> [Legal information and resources]

U.S. Embassy

<https://USEmbassy.gov>

National Stalking Resource Center

<https://victimsoccrime.org>

School and College Organization for Prevention Educators

Consent Statutes Listed by State:

<https://wearescope.org/reources/consent-statutes/#list>

National Teen Dating Abuse Helpline

1-866-331-9474

1-866-331-8453 (TTY)

<https://loveisrespect.org>

The White House Task Force to Protect Students from Sexual Assault

<https://NotAlone.Gov>

Tribal Coalition Resources Tennessee

Phone: 615-386-9406

Hotline: 1-800-356-6767

Website: <http://tncoalition.org>

State Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Coalition Resources

Tennessee Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence

2 International Plaza Drive, Suite 425

Nashville, TN 37217

(615) 386-9406 Fax: (615) 383-2967

(800) 289-9018 In State

Website: www.tcadv.org

Email: tcadv@tcadv.org

Knoxville

Rape Crisis Center: 865-522-7273

Local Domestic Violence Hotline: 865-521-6336

CAMPUS SEX CRIMES PREVENTION ACT

The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act requires sex offenders already required to register in a State to provide notice, as required under State law, to each institution of higher education in that state at which the person is employed, carries on a vocation, or is a student. The act requires that state procedures ensure this registration information is promptly made available to law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction where the institutions of higher education are located and that it is entered into appropriate state records or data systems. These changes became effective two years after enactment of the law (2002).

This act amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to issue a statement, in addition to other disclosures required under that Act, advising the campus community where law enforcement

agency information provided by a State concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. This change takes effect two years after enactment (2002).

This act amends the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to clarify that nothing in that Act may be construed to prohibit an educational institution from disclosing information provided to the institution concerning registered sex offenders; requires the Secretary of Education to take appropriate steps to notify educational institutions that disclosure of this information is permitted.

Convicted sex offender or sexual predators attending or employed at an institution of higher education in Tennessee are required to comply with Tennessee Sexual Offender and Violent Sexual Offender Registration, Verification, and Tracking Act Of 2004. The act requires sex offenders and sexual predators to register in person with the public safety or security director at which the person is employed or attends. Please contact the Incident commander (Dr. Steen Pedersen) of the Knoxville RUSM campus to register.

To check registered sex offenders in a state see the State Sexual Offender Registry List section.

STATE SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRY LIST

ALABAMA

Website: <https://app.alea.gov/Community/wfSexOffenderSearch.aspx>

Phone Number: 334-353-1172

ALASKA

Website: <http://www.dps.alaska.gov/sorweb/sorweb.aspx>

Phone Number: 907-269-0396 or 80-658-8892 (outside Anchorage in Alaska)

ARIZONA

Website: <https://www.azdps.gov/services/public/offender>

Phone Number: 602-223-2000

ARKANSAS

Website: <https://www.ark.org/offender-search/index.php>

Phone Number: 501-682-2222

CALIFORNIA

Website: <http://www.meganslaw.ca.gov/>

Phone Number: 916-227-4974

COLORADO

Website: <https://www.colorado.gov/apps/cdps/sor/>

Phone Number: 303-239-4222

CONNECTICUT

Website: http://sheriffalerts.com/cap_main.php?office=54567

Phone Number: 860-685-8060

DELAWARE

Website: <https://sexoffender.dsp.delaware.gov/>

Phone Number: 302-739-5882

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Website: <http://sexoffender.dc.gov/>

Phone Number: 202-727-4407

FLORIDA

Website: <https://offender.fdle.state.fl.us/offender/sops/offenderSearch.jsf>

Phone Number: 888-357-7332

GEORGIA

Website: http://state.sor.gbi.ga.gov/sort_public/SearchOffender.aspx

Email Link: http://state.sor.gbi.ga.gov/sort_public/ContactUs.aspx

HAWAII

Website: <http://sexoffenders.chawaii.gov/sexoffender/welcome.html>

Phone Number: 808-587-3350

IDAHO

Website: http://www.isp.idaho.gov/sor_id/

Phone Number: 208-884-7305

ILLINOIS

Website: <http://www.isp.state.il.us/sor/>

Phone Number: 217-785-0653

INDIANA

Website: <http://www.icrimewatch.net/indiana.php>

Phone Number: 800-622-4779

IOWA

Website: <http://www.iowasexoffender.com/>

Phone Number: 515-725-6050

KANSAS

Website: <http://www.accesskansas.org/kbi/ro.shtml>

Phone Number: 785-296-2841

KENTUCKY

Website: <http://kpsor.state.ky.us/>

Phone Number: 202-227-8700

LOUISIANA

Website: <http://www.lsp.org/socpr/default.html>

Phone Number: 800-858-0551

MAINE

Website: <http://sor.informe.org/cgi-bin/sor/index.pl>

Phone Number: 207-624-7270

MARYLAND

Website: <http://www.socem.info/>

Phone Number: 410-585-3600

MASSACHUSETTS

Website: <http://www.mass.gov/eopss/agencies/sorb/>

Phone Number: 978-740-6400

MICHIGAN

Website: http://www.communitynotification.com/cap_main.php?office=55242/

Phone Number: 517-241-1806

MINNESOTA

Website: <https://coms.doc.state.mn.us/PublicViewer/>

Phone Number: 651-361-7340

MISSISSIPPI

Website: <http://state.sor.dps.ms.gov/>

Phone Number: 601-987-1540

MISSOURI

Website: <http://www.mshp.dps.mo.gov/CJ38/search.jsp>

Phone Number: 888-767-6747

MONTANA

Website: <https://app.doj.mt.gov/apps/svow/>

Phone Number: 406-444-7068

NEBRASKA

Website: <https://sor.nebraska.gov/>

Phone Number: 402-471-8647

NEVADA

Website: <http://www.nvsexoffenders.gov/>

Phone Number: 775-684-6262

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Website: <http://business.nh.gov/NSOR/search.aspx>

Phone Number: 800-735-2964

NEW JERSEY

Website: <http://www.njsp.org/sex-offender-registry/index.shtml>

Phone Number: 609-882-2000

NEW MEXICO

Website:

http://sheriffalerts.com/cap_office_disclaimer.php?office=55290&fwd=aHR0cDovL2NvbW11bml0eW5vdGlmaWNhdGlvb20vY2FwX21haW4ucGhwP29mZmljZT01NTI5MA==

Phone Number: 505-827-9297

NEW YORK

Website: http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/SomsSUBDirectory/search_index.jsp

Phone Number: 800-262-3257

NORTH CAROLINA

Website: <http://sexoffender.ncsbi.gov/>

Email Link: <http://sexoffender.ncsbi.gov/contact.aspx>

NORTH DAKOTA

Website: <http://www.sexoffender.nd.gov/>

Phone Number: 701-328-2210

OHIO

Website: http://www.communitynotification.com/cap_main.php?office=55149

Phone Number: 866-406-4534

OKLAHOMA

Website: <https://sors.doc.state.ok.us/svor/f?p=119:5:0::NO>

Email Address: osor@doc.state.ok.us

OREGON

Website: <http://sexoffenders.oregon.gov/>

Phone Number: 503-934-1258

PENNSYLVANIA

Website: <http://www.pameganslaw.state.pa.us/>

Phone Number: 866-771-3170

PUERTO RICO

Website: <http://sor.cjis.pr.gov/>

Phone Number: 787-729-2121

RHODE ISLAND

Website: <http://www.paroleboard.ri.gov/sexoffender/agree.php>

Phone Number: 401-462-0905

SOUTH CAROLINA

Website: <http://scor.sled.sc.gov/ConditionsOfUse.aspx>

Phone Number: 803-896-2601

SOUTH DAKOTA

Website: <http://sor.sd.gov/>

Phone Number: 605-773-3331

TENNESSEE

Website: <https://www.tn.gov/tbi/general-information/tennessee-sex-offender-registry.html>

Phone Number: 615-744-4000

TEXAS

Website: <https://records.txdps.state.tx.us/SexOffenderRegistry>

Phone Number: 855-481-7070

UTAH

Website: http://sheriffalerts.com/cap_main.php?office=54438

Phone Number: 801-495-7700

VERMONT

Website: <http://vcic.vermont.gov/sor>

Phone Number: 802-241-5400

VIRGINIA

Website: <http://sex-offender.vsp.virginia.gov/sor/>

Phone Number: 804-674-2825

WASHINGTON

Website: <http://www.icrimewatch.net/washington.php>

Phone Number: 360-486-2386

WEST VIRGINIA

Website: <https://apps.wv.gov/StatePolice/SexOffender/>

Phone Number: 304-746-2133

WISCONSIN

Website: <https://appsdoc.wi.gov/public>

Phone Number: 608-240-5830

WYOMING

Website: http://www.communitynotification.com/cap_main.php?office=55699

Phone Number: 307-777-7181

ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

RUSM expects all members of its community; students, faculty and staff, to be familiar with and to abide by applicable state, federal and local laws regarding alcohol and drugs. RUSM forbids the use, possession, distribution or sale of drugs, except permitted substances when taken under a doctor's prescription and consistent with a doctor's instructions. RUSM specifically prohibits the use, possession, distribution or sale of medical marijuana on its premises or at any RUSM sponsored event. The unauthorized possession, distribution, sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages anywhere on RUSM property or at RUSM-sponsored events is also forbidden. Violation of state, federal or other local regulations with respect to illegal drugs or alcohol are subject to both criminal prosecution and campus disciplinary action. Please refer to the following sections for additional information: Drug Free Schools and Communities Act, Laws Regarding Alcohol and Drugs, School Sanctions, and Local Treatment Resources, and the Code of Conduct in the Student Handbook <http://medhandbook.rossu.edu/>.

DRUG FREE SCHOOLS & COMMUNITIES ACT

Educational Guidelines Pertaining to Drug Free Schools & Communities Act

RUSM expects all members of its community including students, faculty and staff, to be familiar with and to abide by applicable state, federal and local laws regarding alcohol and drugs. Students are also responsible for knowing school regulations concerning alcohol use on campus. RUSM forbids the unauthorized use, possession, distribution or sale of drugs or alcohol by a student anywhere on RUSM property. Violation of these laws or regulations may subject a student to both criminal prosecution and campus disciplinary action.

Use of illicit drugs and abuse of prescription drugs pose a serious threat to mental and physical health. Alcohol is a drug. Its use in even the smallest amounts may be harmful to some people, and when used to excess, alcohol is harmful to everyone. For this reason, responsible drinking is essential and is expected of those who choose to drink.

Substance

Alcohol (at .08 Blood Alcohol Concentration & Above)

Impaired motor abilities; reduced judgment; sleepiness; increased sexual desire but reduced ability to perform; nausea, vomiting; liver disorders-alcoholic hepatitis, alcoholic cirrhosis; cancer of the-tongue, mouth, throat, esophagus, liver, breast; fetal alcohol syndrome (most common symptom is mental retardation).

Cannabis Marijuana Hash/Hash Oil THC

Diminished-short term memory, motivation & cognition, coordination & concentration, oral communication, reaction time; anxiety & panic reactions; carcinogenic elements in smoke; damaged lungs & respiratory system.

Cocaine (includes Crack Cocaine)

Increased likelihood of risk taking; seizures; sleeplessness; paranoia; irregular heartbeat; can cause sudden death by stroke or heart failure, even in young users; cocaine psychosis (paranoia & hallucinations); ulceration of mucous

membranes in the nose; sexual dysfunction; during pregnancy can cause severe physical & emotional problems in babies.

Depressants, Tranquilizers, Barbiturates, Methaqualone

Dangerous effects when mixed with alcohol; calmness & relaxed muscles; slurred speech, staggering gait, loss of motor coordination; altered perceptions; respiratory depression which can result in coma or death; disruption of normal sleep cycle; during pregnancy-birth defects, brain tumors in children; tolerance develops severe withdrawal symptoms; physical & psychological dependence.

Other Stimulants (Excluding Cocaine), Amphetamines, Methamphetamines

Increased heart & respiratory rates; elevated blood; decreased appetite; headaches; blurred vision; dizziness; sleeplessness; anxiety; amphetamine psychosis-violent behavior, hallucinations, delusions, paranoia; drug tolerance & dependency; mood swings; ulcers; mental confusion.

Psychedelics, LSD, Mescaline, Psilocybin, Phencyclidine (PCP), MDMA (Ecstasy), MDA

Distorted sense of distance, space and time; blockage of pain sensations; nausea, vomiting & diarrhea; severe mood disorders, panic depression, anxiety; greater suggestibility & feelings of invulnerability; unpredictable reactions if drugs are "cut" with impurities; tolerance after (3-4 daily doses--higher doses are required to produce same effects).

Narcotics, Opium, Morphine, Codeine, Thebaine, Heroin, Methadone, Darvon, Demerol

Feeling of euphoria followed by drowsiness; nausea & vomiting; respiratory depression; central nervous system depression; use of unsterile needles promotes-AIDS, hepatitis B, endocarditis (infection in the heart); women dependent on opiates have multiple pregnancy complications-spontaneous abortions, still births, anemia, diabetes.

LAWS REGARDING ALCOHOL AND DRUGS

Tennessee

In addition to the Federal laws, the State of Tennessee has its own laws dealing with controlled substances.

Marijuana: Possession or casual exchange of: Less than .5 oz.: Class A misdemeanor and attendance at drug offender school and minimum \$250 fine; Casual exchange to a minor from an adult 2 yrs. his senior and adult knows minor is a minor: felony; Subsequent offense: \$500 minimum; Third: \$750 minimum; Two or more prior convictions, then Class E felony; 20 plants to 99 plants: Class C felony, fined up to \$100,000. Sale: .5 oz. to 10 lbs.: Class E felony and/or \$5000; 10 lbs. + 1 g. to 70 lbs.: Class D felony and/or \$50,000; 70 lbs. + 1 g.: Class B felony and/or \$200,000; Over 700 lbs.: Class A felony and/or \$500,000; Sale to minor under 18 or in drug-free zone: one class higher than amount required; Minimum penalty amounts: 1st drug felony offense: \$2000; 2nd: \$2500; 3rd: \$3000.

Cocaine: Possession or casual exchange: Class A misdemeanor unless adult to minor and adult is 2 yrs. the minor's senior, then felony; Subsequent offense: if 2 or more prior convictions: Class E felony; Less than .5 grams is a class C felony, may be fined up to \$100,000.; Class B .5 grams or less and at commission of crime, death occurred, defendant concealed a deadly weapon. Sale: Less than .5 g.: Class C felony and up to 100,000; Over .5 g.: Class B felony and up to \$100,000; Over 26 g.: Class B felony and up to \$200,000; Over 300 g.: Class A felony and up to \$500,000; Sale to minor under 18 or in drug-free school zone: one class higher than amount required; Minimum penalty amounts: 1st drug felony: \$2000; 2nd: \$2500; 3rd: \$3000

For further information on drug laws in Tennessee, please see the following web site: <https://www.discoveryplace.info/drug-laws-tennessee/>.

Alcohol related laws: Wine may be sold in grocery stores. As of January 2018, sales of wine and liquor are no longer limited to on-premises in restaurants on Sundays in the state. Liquor stores may remain open on Sundays, and liquor is permitted to be sold from retail stores for off-premises consumption. Retail stores must be closed for business on Christmas, Thanksgiving Day, Labor Day, New Year's Day, and the Fourth of July. Beer above 8% ABW /10.1% ABV must be sold in liquor stores. Open container law only applies to drivers, not passengers. [109]

It is legal to carry alcohol in a non-glass container on the Beale Street stretch in Memphis. It is illegal to drive under the influence (DUI) of alcohol and/or drugs. Driving with a blood alcohol concentration of 0.08% violates Tennessee alcohol laws.

FEDERAL

Federal law penalizes the unlawful manufacturing, distribution, use, sale, and possession of controlled substances. The penalties vary based on many factors, including the type and amount of the drug involved, and whether there is intent to distribute. Federal law sets penalties for first offenses ranging from less than one year to life imprisonment and/or fines up to \$10 million. Penalties may include forfeiture of property, including vehicles used to possess, transport, or conceal a controlled substance; the denial of professional licenses or Federal benefits, such as student loans, grants, and contracts; successful completion of a drug treatment program; community service; and ineligibility to receive or purchase a firearm. Federal law holds that any person who distributes, possesses with intent to distribute, or manufactures a controlled substance on or within one thousand feet of an educational facility is subject to a doubling of the applicable maximum punishments and fines. See the Federal Controlled Substances Act at 21 USC 800.

SCHOOL SANCTIONS **

(APPLIED TO ALL CATEGORIES OF SUBSTANCES)

RUSM Sanctions: Sanctions include, but are not limited to: probation and referral for treatment and appropriate rehabilitation programs (without adjudication), being subject to random drug testing, suspension, expulsion, and referral for prosecution as appropriate.

RUSM strictly prohibits the unlawful manufacturing, distribution, dispensing, use or possession of alcohol, illegal drugs and controlled substances or the misuse of prescription drugs on the RUSM campus or the grounds of its affiliates (e.g., clinical teaching facilities). Violation of the law could subject the student to disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal and referral for prosecution.

All members of the RUSM community shall abide by both the laws of the U.S. government, the State of Tennessee, and any local ordinances and regulations relative to the possession, consumption, distribution, transportation, manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages or products. Conviction for the possession or distribution of illegal drugs or alcohol will result in various penalties according to the nature of the offence. A prescription or letter from a physician is fair proof of the need to have a controlled substance and thus will not require a student to carry a medical record around with him or her.

RUSM will impose sanctions for violation of the standards of behavior both on and off campus, consistent with local and federal statutes and RUSM policies. Sanctions imposed depend upon the local and federal statutes and RUSM policies. Sanctions imposed depend on the severity and frequency of the violation. Offenders may also be required to complete an appropriate rehabilitation program, in addition to or sometimes in lieu of disciplinary actions.

Violations of RUSM alcohol and substance abuse policies are considered violations of the Honor Code. Sanctions include, but are not limited to: probation and referral for treatment and rehabilitation (without adjudication), suspension, expulsion, and referral for prosecution, as appropriate. Individuals 18 | Page disciplined under these policies have the right to an appeal, in accordance with RUSM's grievance protocol.

STUDENTS

Possession, use, sale of any amount on school property or as part of any school activity. Sanctions for this violation could lead up to expulsion.

STUDENT DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS DEFINED

Disciplinary Probation - A specified period of time during which the student's activities may be curtailed, for which an active student is advised in writing of probable suspension or expulsion for future misconduct.

Suspension - Temporary exclusion from any extra-curricular activities for a specified period of time with the student advised in writing of probable expulsion for future misconduct. Conditions for terminating the suspension period and appeal will be stated in the written order of suspension.

Expulsion - Termination of student status for an indefinite period; usually a permanent dismissal from the School. Conditions of expulsion and appeal will be stated in the written order of expulsion.

FACULTY AND STAFF

While performing school business under the influence, possession, use, sale, furnishing to a minor. Sanctions for this violation could lead up to recommendations for dismissal.

** These sanctions are in addition to any criminal sanctions that may be imposed. Student employees are subject to both employee and student sanctions.

LOCAL TREATMENT RESOURCES

The following is a sampling of local area information and treatment resources. A more comprehensive listing of available counseling and treatment programs can be obtained in the Student Central.

RUSM Counseling Center 865-338-5787

Alcoholics Anonymous (East Tennessee) <http://www.etiaa.org/>

Knoxville Narcotics Anonymous 1.844.409.3762

Healthcare Options Center for Alcohol & Substance Abuse Treatment (800) 547-4615

STUDENT RIGHTS UNDER FERPA

(The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act)

RUSM respects the rights and privacy of its students and acknowledge the responsibility to maintain confidentiality of personally identifiable information.

FERPA is a federal law that affords students the following rights with respect to their education records. These rights include:

1. THE RIGHT TO INSPECT AND REVIEW THE STUDENT'S EDUCATION RECORDS

Students have the right to review their education records within 45 days of the day the institution receives their request. Students should submit to the registrar, dean, or head of the academic department a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The institution official will make arrangements for access and notify the student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. If the official to whom the request is submitted does not maintain the records, that official will advise the student of the correct official to whom the request should be addressed.

2. THE RIGHT TO SEEK AN AMENDMENT OF INACCURATE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

Students may ask the institution to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. They should write to the official responsible for the record, clearly identify the part of the record they believe should be changed and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the institution decides not to amend the record as requested by the student, the student will be notified of the decision and advised of his or her right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the student when they are notified of the right to a hearing. Following the hearing, if the institution still decides not to amend the record, the student has a right to place a clarifying statement in the record.

3. THE RIGHT TO LIMIT DISCLOSURE OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION

Students have the right to consent to disclosure of personally identifiable information contained in their educational records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

One exception that permits disclosure without consent is disclosure to a school official who has a legitimate educational interest. A school official is a person employed by the institution in an administrative, supervisory, academic, research, or support staff position (including campus security, incident commanders and health staff) or a student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee. A school official also may include an Adtalem Global Education colleague, a volunteer, or contractor outside of the institution who performs an institutional service or function for which the institution would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of the institution with respect to the use and maintenance of PII from education records, such as an attorney, auditor, intern or collection agent or a student volunteering to assist another school official in performing their tasks. School officials have a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill their professional responsibilities for the institution.

Another exception that permits disclosure without consent is disclosure of directory information. Directory information is not considered to be harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. See the Directory Information section for additional information.

4. THE RIGHT TO FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IF THE INSTITUTION FAILS TO COMPLY WITH FERPA REQUIREMENTS

Complaints should be directed to:

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202-4605
Phone: 1-800-USA-LEARN (1-800-872-5327)

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) designates certain student information as “Directory Information” and gives the institution the right to disclose such information without having to ask students’ permission. The items listed below as “Directory Information” may be released for any purpose at the discretion of the institution. Under the provisions of FERPA, students have the right to withhold the disclosure of any or all of the categories of information listed below. **The following information will be released unless students specifically request that their information be withheld:**

- **Directory Information:** Name, address, telephone number, email address, date and place of birth, dates of attendance, previous institution(s) attended, major field of study (program), enrollment status, degrees and awards, past and present participation in officially recognized activities, residency obtained.

To Withhold Information

To have directory information withheld, students must submit a written request to the Registrar. Once filed, this request becomes a permanent part of the student’s record and no information may be released until the student instructs the institution otherwise.

VOTER REGISTRATION

As a participant in Title IV Federal Student Financial Aid programs, RUSM would like to remind students who are U.S. citizens of the importance of registering to vote.

If you are interested in participating in local, state, or national elections, please visit the Election Assistance Commission website at www.eac.gov/voter_resources/register_to_vote.aspx to learn how you can register to vote.

UNAUTHORIZED DISTRIBUTION OF COPYRIGHTED MATERIALS

RUSM strives to provide access to varied materials, services and equipment for students, faculty and staff and does not knowingly condone policies or practices that constitute an infringement of Federal copyright law. Transmitting or downloading any material that you do not have the right to make available and that infringes any patent, trademark, trade secret, copyright or other proprietary rights of any party is prohibited.

Installing or distributing pirated or unlicensed software is also forbidden. Violation of these requirements may subject students, faculty and staff to civil and criminal liabilities. Students, faculty or staff who violate federal copyright law do so at their own risk. Copyright status is applied to a work as soon as it is created. Users should assume that all writings and images are copyrighted.

Title 17 of the United States Code (17 USC §501 et seq.) outlines remedies for copyright infringement that may include some or all of the following: obtaining an injunction to stop the infringing activity; impounding and disposing of the infringing articles; an award to the copyright owner of actual damages and the profits of the infringer, or in the alternative, an award of statutory damages which may be increased if the infringement is found to be willful; an award of two times the amount of the license fee a copyright owner could have gotten; an award of the full costs incurred in bringing an infringement action, and the award of attorney's fees; and for criminal copyright infringement, fines and imprisonment.

RUSM maintains a campus network to support and enhance the academic and administrative needs of our students, faculty and staff. RUSM is required by Federal Law – H.R. 4137 to make an annual disclosure informing students that illegal distribution of copyrighted materials may lead to civil and/or criminal penalties. RUSM takes steps to detect and punish users who illegally distribute copyrighted materials.

RUSM reserves the right to suspend or terminate network access to any campus user that violates this policy and Network access may be suspended if any use is impacting the operations of the network. Violations may be reported to appropriate authorities for criminal or civil prosecution. The existence and imposition of sanctions do not protect members of the campus community from any legal action by external entities.

Alternatives to Illegal Downloading

Illegal downloads hurt artists and deter the incentive to create. U.S. laws protect the rights of individuals regarding their own works. Below are lists of sites that offer free or inexpensive products that you can use without violating copyright law.

FREE AND LEGAL

Clipart:

<http://www.coolarchive.com/>

<http://www.clipart.com/>

Fonts:

<http://www.blambot.com/>

<http://www.fonts.com/>

Photos:

<http://www.freefoto.com/index.jsp>

<https://www.photospin.com/Default.asp?>

Music:

<http://download.cnet.com/windows/>

<http://www.epitonic.com/>

<http://betterpropaganda.com/>

ROSS UNIVERISTY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE - KNOXVILLE - ANNUAL CAMPUS CRIME STATISTICS

Reported in accordance with Uniform Crime Reporting procedures and the
Jeanne Cleary Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act

Total Crimes Reported for:	On Campus						Non Campus Property			Public Property		
	2015		2016		2017		2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
	Campus	Dorm	Campus	Dorm	Campus	Dorm						
Criminal Offenses (includes attempts)												
Murder/Non-negligent manslaughter					0	0			0			0
Negligent manslaughter					0	0			0			0
Sexual Assault-Rape					0	0			0			0
Sexual Assault-Fondling					0	0			0			0
Sexual Assault-Incest					0	0			0			0
Sexual Assault-Statutory rape					0	0			0			0
Robbery					0	0			0			0
Aggravated assault					0	0			0			0
Burglary					0	0			0			0
Motor vehicle theft					0	0			0			0
Arson					0	0			0			0
HATE CRIMES												
	2015		2016		2017		2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
	Campus	Dorm	Campus	Dorm	Campus	Dorm						
If there are any hate crimes to report, please enter count here and narrative description below.					0	0			0			0
VAWA Offenses												
	2015		2016		2017		2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
	Campus	Dorm	Campus	Dorm	Campus	Dorm						
Domestic Violence					0	0			0			0
Dating Violence					0	0			0			0
Stalking					0	0			0			0
Arrests												
	2015		2016		2017		2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
	Campus	Dorm	Campus	Dorm	Campus	Dorm						
Weapons: carrying, possession, etc.					0	0			0			0
Drug abuse violations					0	0			0			0
Liquor law violations					0	0			0			0
Referral for Disciplinary Actions												
	2015		2016		2017		2015	2016	2017	2015	2016	2017
	Campus	Dorm	Campus	Dorm	Campus	Dorm						
Weapons: carrying, possession, etc.					0	0			0			0
Drug abuse violations					0	0			0			0
Liquor law violations					0	0			0			0
Hate Crimes												
Prejudice Categories:												
Race, Religion												
Sexual Orientation												
Gender, Gender Identity												

Disability			
Ethnicity			
National Origin			
On campus or public property:	2015	2016	2017
Total Unfounded Crimes			0