Bystander Information

How can the university community respond

Do

Believe the student
Inform the student about resources
Contact an on-campus resource to assist you and inform the student that you will do so
Encourage the student to seek help
Remain calm and concerned—do not panic
Call campus police or 911 if there is an immediate safety risk to you
Allow the student to make his/her own decisions if you are unsure, use the resources provided

Do nothing
Do not feel that you have to have all the answers
Do not assess, define or try to investigate what has happened
Do not try to “fix” the “problem”
Do not blame the victim
Do not impose your ideas on someone else

#Hustinds Against Sexual Assault

Campus Police: 202-806-1100
Counseling Services: 202-806-6870
Interpersonal Violence Prevention Program (Cell): 202-836-1401
DC Rape Crisis Center: 202-232-0789
DC Coalition Against Domestic Violence: 202-299-1181
My Sister’s Place Hotline: 202-529-5991