



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Information Sheet



JSU PROHIBITS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ON ANY MEASURES

JSU defines domestic violence as a felony or misdemeanor crime of violence (including, but not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse) committed by:

- A current or former spouse or intimate partner of the complainant;
- A person with whom the complainant shares a child in common;
- A person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the complainant as a spouse or intimate partner;
- A person similarly situated to a spouse of the complainant under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the violence occurred; or
- Any other person against an adult or youth who is protected from that person's acts under the dome.

It is significant to note the importance of preserving evidence that may assist in proving that the alleged criminal offense occurred or that may be helpful in obtaining a protection order.

JSU will make accommodations and provide protective measures for the victim if requested and reasonably available.

I'M IN A VIOLENT RELATIONSHIP, WHAT DO I DO?

- **Preserve evidence.**
 - This is important to prove that the alleged criminal offense occurred and may be helpful in obtaining a protection order.
- Who should you report to?
 - UPD,
 - Office of Community Standards and Student Ethics, or
 - Title IX Coordinator
- Know your options about law enforcement. You can:
 - Notify law enforcement authorities, including on-campus and local police.
 - Be assisted by campus authorities in notifying law enforcement.
 - Decline to notify the authorities
- If the victim or JSU finds it necessary, "no contact" orders, restraining orders, or similar lawful order can be issues by the court or the institution.

TIPS FOR RISK REDUCTION IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS IN A VIOLENT RELATIONSHIP:

- **Create a safety plan for you or someone you know when leaving the person inflicting violence.**
 - Make an escape bag.
 - Prepare your support network.
 - Keep evidence in a safe place that the abuser will not be able to find.
 - Plan a destination.
 - Plan a route
- For more information on safety planning, visit <https://www.thehotline.org/create-a-safety-plan/>

MOST VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TALK TO SOMEONE THEY TRUST BEFORE SEEKING ADDITIONAL SUPPORT. SO WHAT SHOULD YOU DO AS A BYSTANDER?

- Talk privately and express your concern for them.
- Check in with them to see if they are safe and offer to help them obtain resources to help the abuse stop.
- Respect the victims boundaries.
- Refer them to resources to make an individual safety plan.
- Learn more about domestic violence.
- 3rd party witnesses are encouraged to say something to the victim or report to a resource.

WHERE DO I GO FOR HELP?

ON-CAMPUS RESOURCES

University Police Department

700 Pelham Road North
Jacksonville, AL 36265
256-782-5050

Office of Community Standards and Student Ethics

Suite 301-A, Angle Hall700
Pelham Road North
Jacksonville, AL 36265
communitystandards@jsu.edu
256-782-8080



Title IX

Suite 301-A, Angle Hall700
Pelham Road North
Jacksonville, AL 36265
TitleIX@jsu.edu
256-782-5769

JSU Counseling Services

147 Trustee Circle7
00 Pelham Road
Jacksonville, AL 36265
www.jsu.edu/ccservices
256-782-5475

OFF-CAMPUS RESOURCES

Northeast Alabama Regional Medical Center

Confidential Resource
400 East 10th Street
Anniston, AL 36207
256-235-5121

2nd Chance

Confidential Resource
Shelter and Support
Crisis line:
256-236-7233
Office:
256-236-7281

Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Confidential Resource
Hotline:
1-800-650-6522

National Domestic Violence Hotline

Confidential Resource
Live chat available!
Hotline:
1-800-799-7233
thehotline.org

One Love Foundation

Confidential Resource
Live chat available!
Text LOVEIS to 22522 to text with a peer advocate regarding unhealthy relationships.

Calhoun County District Attorney's Office

256-231-1770
This office can provide assistance with a Protection From Abuse Order.

National Coalition Against Domestic Violence

ncadv.org

JSU WILL PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF VICTIMS AND OTHER NECESSARY PARTIES

There will be complete publicly available record keeping, including Clery Act reporting and disclosures, without inclusion of personally identifying information about the victim, as defined by VAWA.

Any accommodations or protective measures provided to the victim will remain private, yet privacy will not impair the ability to provide accommodations or protective measures.

“WomensLaw is not just for women. We serve and support all survivors, no matter their sex or gender.”

If you wish to have a physical paper copy of the Sex-Based Harassment and Misconduct Policy, which includes the grievance procedure, it can be provided by Dean of Student's, Human Resources, or Title IX on-campus for free.

ALABAMA CRIMINAL CODE

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN THE FIRST DEGREE

CLASS A MISDEMEANOR

- For a full definition, please visit <https://www.womenslaw.org/laws/al/statutes/section-13a-6-130-domestic-violence-first-degree>

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN THE SECOND DEGREE

CLASS A MISDEMEANOR

- For a full definition, please visit <https://www.womenslaw.org/laws/al/statutes/section-13a-6-131-domestic-violence-second-degree>

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN THE THIRD DEGREE

CLASS A MISDEMEANOR

- For a full definition, please visit <https://www.womenslaw.org/laws/al/statutes/section-13a-6-132-domestic-violence-third-degree>

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTION ORDER

- For a full definition, please visit <https://www.womenslaw.org/laws/al/statutes/section-13a-6-141-definitions>

ARREST WITHOUT A WARRANT

- The crimes of domestic violence in the first, second, and third degrees, and domestic violence by strangulation or suffocation, shall be an offense involving domestic violence. A warrantless arrest for an offense involving domestic violence shall include a charge of a crime of domestic violence.

RELATION TO ABUSE LAWS

- The crimes of domestic violence in the first, second, and third degrees shall be included as acts, attempts, or threats of abuse.

VIOLATIONS

- For information on violations, please visit <https://www.womenslaw.org/laws/al/statutes/section-13a-6-142-violations-penalties>

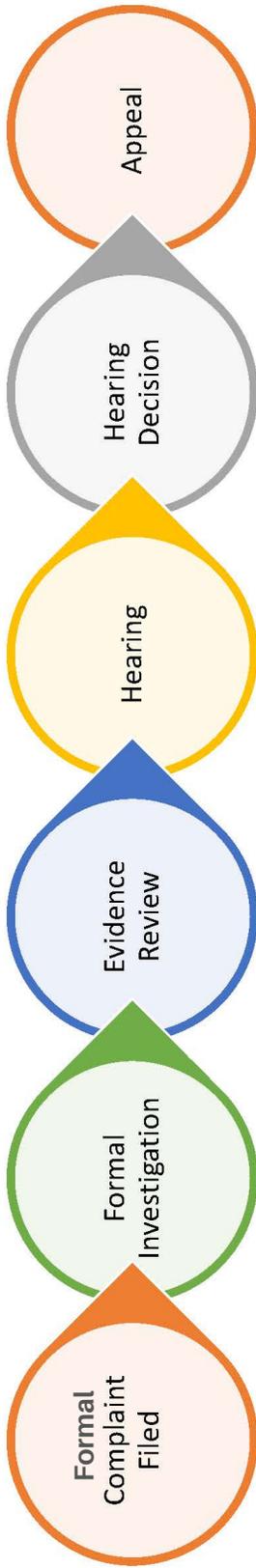
ARREST FOR VIOLATION

- For information about an arrest for violation, please visit <https://www.womenslaw.org/laws/al/statutes/section-13a-6-143-arrest-violation-article>

If you have any questions about proceedings, feel free to go to this link below:

[jsu.edu/titleix/grievance-procedure.html](https://www.jsu.edu/titleix/grievance-procedure.html)

TITLE IX INVESTIGATION PROCEEDING





*Your
Story
Matters*

**QUESTIONS
OR
CONCERNS?**

Contact the Title
IX Coordinator
Jennifer Argo

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Jacksonville, AL
36265

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