Seeking help after sexual assault or harassment

Sexual assault or harassment describes sexual behaviour that you don't agree to, that made you feel uncomfortable or unsafe.

Swinburne has zero-tolerance for sexual assault and sexual harassment. We treat reports or concerns seriously and sensitively.

And we are here to help.

IS THIS AN EMERGENCY?

Call the police or an ambulance: 3000

If you have experienced sexual assault or sexual harassment, talk to someone.

We are here for you. No matter what happened, or when. We can talk to you about your options and connect you with help.

You decide if you want support, to report the incident, or both.

Report an incident online. You can choose to remain anonymous, we will respect your choice.

swinburne.edu.au/incident-reporting-form

Get in touch with Safer Community on:

Call the Swinburne out-of-hours crisis line on:

3 1300 854 144

International students can call the 24-hour Swinburne help line on:

3 03 9214 6741

If you are under 18, or the incident involves someone who is under 18, we must report the matter to the police: it's the law.

If the safety of our community is at risk, we may need to report the matter to the university or to the police.

All staff members will report incidents to Safer Community, but will respect your wish to remain anonymous.





Do you want support? It's your choice.

We can connect you with other support services like Wellbeing at Swinburne, the Eastern Centre Against Sexual Assault or Eastern Domestic Violence Outreach Support.

 We can support you to manage the impacts on your study or coursework.



Do you want to report the incident? It's your choice.

SWINBURNE

If the incident included a Swinburne student or staff member, you can choose if you want to report it to the university.

- → The university will conduct an investigation, separate to any police investigation.
- The university will consider all available information and decide if our rules about behaviour have been broken.

POLICE

You can also choose if you want to report the matter to the police.

- The police will investigate whether the law has been broken. This would be separate to any university investigation.
- We will support you and work with the police to make sure our actions don't interfere with their investigation.