Sexual Violence
Data & Trends
2017 - 2021
Western Nevada College

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About WNC

- Campuses in: Carson City, Fallon, and Douglas
- We serve approximately 5,000 students annually
- We do not have residence halls
Sexual Assault Offenses

As used in Federal Bureau of Investigation’s Uniform Crime Reporting:

- **Rape**
- **Fondling**
- **Incest**
- **Statutory Rape**
On Campus Sexual Violence

Using Clery Act Reporting Method

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Sexual Conduct & Safety Surveys

- WNC generally conducts Sexual Conduct & Safety Surveys during the spring semester of every other year.

- Most recent surveys:
  - 2017
  - 2019

- The 2021 survey was postponed as most students were remote.

- The next survey will be conducted in February and March of 2022.
Anticipated Response to Reports of Sexual Assault:

- Respondents were asked to predict the likelihood of eight potential outcomes from someone reporting a sexual assault to college officials.
  - In 2017, responses were given using a 7-point scale ranging from 1 (Not at all likely) to 7 (Very likely).
  - In 2019, responses were given using a 5-point scale ranging from 1 (Not at all likely) to 5 (Very likely).
Anticipated Response to Reports of Sexual Assault:

- In general, participants tended to believe it is very likely WNC would:
  - Take the report seriously
  - Protect the safety of the accuser
  - Limit the knowledge of the report only to people who needed to know
  - Protect the accuser from retaliation
  - Take corrective action against offenders

- Participants tended not to believe that:
  - The alleged offender(s) or their associates would retaliate against accusers
  - Students would label accusers as “troublemakers”
  - The education of the accuser would suffer
Figure 3: Anticipated Response to Sexual Assault Reports

- WNC would take report seriously: 7
- WNC would protect safety of accuser: 7
- WNC would limit knowledge of report: 7
- WNC would take corrective action against offenders: 7
- WNC would protect accuser from retaliation: 7
- Offenders or associates would retaliate against accuser: 3
- Education of accuser would suffer: 4
- Students would label accusers as troublemakers: 6

Agreement with statement
Figure 3: Anticipated Response to Sexual Assault Reports

- WNC would take the report seriously
- WNC would protect safety of accuser
- WNC would limit knowledge of report
- WNC would protect against retaliation
- WNC would take corrective action against offender
- Offender(s) or associates would retaliate
- Students would label accuser as troublemaker
- Accuser education would suffer

Mean agreement with statement
Perceptions of Sexual Assault (SA) and Sexual Misconduct (SM) at WNC:

- Participants were asked to report their agreement with a set of statements describing perceptions one might or might not have about sexual assault at WNC or engagement with sexual assault or misconduct prevention efforts.
  - In 2017 responses were given using a 7-point scale ranging from 1 (Not at all likely) to 7 (Very likely).
  - In 2019, responses were given using a 5-point scale ranging from 1 (Not at all likely) to 5 (Very likely).
Perceptions of Sexual Assault (SA) and Sexual Misconduct (SM) at WNC:

- Participants mostly agreed that:
  - SA/SM are not problems at WNC
  - There was no need to think about SA/SM at WNC
  - They could do something about SA/SM

- In 2017, participants tended to disagree that they would like to attend SA/SM prevention programs

- In 2019, participants were primarily neutral about attending SA/SM prevention programs
Figure 4: Perceptions of Sexual Conduct at WNC

- SA is NOT a problem at WNC
- SM is NOT a problem at WNC
- There isn't much need for me to think about SM at WNC
- There isn't much need for me to think about SA at WNC
- I can do something about SM
- I can do something about SA
- I'd like to attend programs about preventing SM/SA

Agreement with statement

Start Here .... Go Anywhere
Figure 5: Perceptions of Sexual Conduct at WNC

- No need to think about SA at WNC
- No need to think about SM at WNC
- I can do something about SA
- I can do something about SM
- Would like to attend SA/SM prevention...
- Involved in efforts to end SA/SM
- Recently engaged in activities to end SA/SM
- SM is a problem at WNC
- SA is a problem at WNC

Mean agreement with statement
Prevention & Response Efforts

- **Employee Training**
  - Clery Act and Title IX
  - Preventing and responding to sexual harassment, sexual assault, stalking, and relationship abuse
  - Required upon hire and every two years thereafter
  - Additional preventing sexual harassment training is occasionally offered during our Professional Development Week

- **Student Training**
  - Preventing sexual assault, harassment, and relationship abuse
  - Must be offered at least once a year
  - We offer it each fall and spring semester
  - We are considering incentives to encourage students to complete the training
Training and Certification for Employees with Title IX or Clery Roles:

- **Association of Title IX Administrators (ATIXA) Membership**
  - Four key employees have a combined total of six ATIXA certifications since 2020

- **Academic Impressions Membership**
  - Five key employees have completed 18 Title IX training sessions since 2020

- **Campus Security Authority (CSA) Training**
  - 10-12 key employees will complete CSA training in 2022