



# SEXUAL MISCONDUCT RESOURCES FOR THOSE TRAVELING ABROAD



## University Resources — Confidential Support

The following on-campus or University-sponsored confidential resources can assist you:

- › [SHARE \(Sexual Harassment/Assault Advising, Resources and Education\)](#): 24/7 campus resource for students that provides crisis response, support, short-term counseling, advocacy, education, and referral services to those dealing with incidents of interpersonal violence and abuse, including sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating/domestic violence, and stalking
- › [Counseling and Psychological Services \(CPS\)](#): 24/7 campus resource for students that supports psychological well-being
- › [University Medical Services](#): 24/7 campus resource for students that provides medical/health services
- › [Office of Religious Life Chaplains](#): campus resource for students, faculty, and staff that provides counseling to individuals of all faiths
- › [Carebridge](#): campus external organization for graduate students, faculty, and staff that provides assistance managing work, personal, or family life issues (800-437-0911)

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## Off-campus resources

The following resources are not affiliated with Princeton University. While they may be helpful, they are provided for reference and do not represent an endorsement of services.

- › [Womanspace](#): 24/7 confidential external organization that provides services for survivors of domestic and sexual violence ([womanspace.org](http://womanspace.org))
- › [RAINN \(Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network\)](#): 24/7 confidential external organization operating the National Sexual Assault Hotline ([rainn.org](http://rainn.org))
- › [Pathways to Safety](#): external organization that provides services related to interpersonal and gender-based violence abroad ([pathwaystosafety.org](http://pathwaystosafety.org))
- › [U.S. Department of State - Help for U.S. Citizen Victims of Crime](#) external site that includes resources for locating and contacting the appropriate U.S. embassy or consulate worldwide

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## Additional University Resources — Reporting Options

We encourage you to report the incident to the University by contacting any of the following, so that they can provide additional support and resources.

- › [Office of Gender Equity and Title IX Administration](#)
- › Residential college staff (Dean, Director of Student Life, Director of Studies) ([odoc.princeton.edu](http://odoc.princeton.edu), [odus.princeton.edu](http://odus.princeton.edu))
- › [Graduate School](#)
- › [Office of the Dean of the Faculty](#)
- › [Office of Human Resources](#)
- › [Global Safety and Security unit](#)
- › [Office of International Programs](#)



## Before you go

Before going abroad, you can prepare by researching your destination, including learning about applicable laws and gender norms. Research and carry with you the contact information for your home-country's nearest embassy or the consulate in your destination country. The following are external (non-Princeton) resources that may provide useful information; website information for these resources can be found at [share.princeton.edu/support-services/supportive-resources](https://share.princeton.edu/support-services/supportive-resources).

- International SOS country specific reports
- U.S. Department of State country specific information
- OSAC (Overseas Security Advisory Council) country security reports
- United Kingdom Foreign & Commonwealth office country specific guidance
- U.S. Department of State 2019 country reports on human rights practices
- Immigration Equality's country conditions materials
- The International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association (ILGA)
- Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace, and Security Index
- United Nations Gender Social Norms Index report

## Do Princeton University's policies apply while you are abroad?

Yes. Princeton University's policies protect all students, faculty, and staff — regardless of their gender, gender identity, or gender expression — from sexual misconduct, including sexual harassment, sexual assault, stalking, and dating/domestic violence.

University policy applies to Princeton University students, faculty members, and staff members while they are abroad on a University-sponsored program or activity.

**This means both that you are expected to abide by University policy while abroad on a University-sponsored program or activity, AND that you are entitled to the same types of support and resources that would be available if you were on campus.**

## What are some things to think about if I or a friend/colleague experience sexual misconduct while abroad?



### Are you physically in a safe place immediately after the incident(s)?

If not, reach out to a trusted individual or to your embassy for help in finding and moving to a place where you are physically safe for the time being. In addition, the consular office of your embassy can generally provide emergency support or referrals to local resources.



### Do you have a safe place to stay for both the short-term and the long-term?

If you are interested in making a housing change (for the short-term or the long-term), the University can seek to assist you; contact the Office of Gender Equity and Title IX Administration, the Office of International Programs, the Global Safety and Security unit, the Graduate School (for graduate students), and/or your residential college staff (for undergraduates). You may also wish to contact SHARE for confidential assistance.



### Do you need medical attention?

If you need urgent/immediate medical attention, contact International SOS (ISOS) and/or local emergency services. ISOS provides emergency and support services for international travelers and can be reached 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This is often the quickest and most efficient way to get timely assistance for serious issues. For more information on ISOS, visit [travel.princeton.edu/international-sos](https://travel.princeton.edu/international-sos). Please be aware that the University will be notified if you reach out to ISOS, and details of the services you are seeking may be provided to University Medical Services (which itself is a confidential resource) to determine appropriate insurance coverage; however, other University offices will not seek details regarding the services you may have sought. Please be aware that if you seek direct medical assistance (for example, from a local hospital), some countries require attending physicians to alert law enforcement upon receiving reports regarding certain types of sexual violence.

If you do not need urgent/immediate medical attention, contact University Medical Services and/or SHARE for confidential assistance regarding seeking medical attention.



### Is it safe to report the incident to the police?

This depends on where you are. Cultural and societal attitudes toward sexual violence, as well as the legal regimes surrounding sexual crimes, vary greatly from country to country. Similarly, the support you are likely to receive from local law enforcement may range from a level exceeding that in the United States to one far below United States' best practices. In some countries, it may not be safe to report an incident, especially for members of the LGBTQ+ community. If you are unsure whether it's safe to report sexual violence to local law enforcement, your embassy and/or ISOS can help you make an informed decision.