DID YOU KNOW...
One in five women are victims of completed or attempted sexual assault while in college. That's over 2 million women.*

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The Event of Consent

Understanding consent is critical in eliminating sexual assault on college campuses. Consent is often simplified as "no means no" or even "yes means yes," but in reality it is so much more than that.

Consent should be part of every intimate activity, from holding hands with a date to engaging in sexual activity with your spouse. According to BYU's Sexual Misconduct Policy, "Consent is a voluntary agreement to engage in sexual activity and is determined by all the relevant facts and circumstances." BYU's policy further explains consent cannot be obtained through threats or manipulation.

It is never okay to force someone to give consent. Additionally, consent cannot be implied by silence, the absence of resistance, or past consent with the same or another person. It's important to remember that even if a person has given his or her consent before, consent to engage in further activity can be withdrawn at any time.

To learn more about consent, attend the upcoming "Can I Kiss You?" event sponsored by the Title IX Office on Wednesday, January 31st at 5:30pm in the Wilkinson Center Varsity Theater or visit titleix.byu.edu for more info.

“DARKNESS CANNOT DRIVE OUT DARKNESS; ONLY LIGHT CAN DO THAT. HATE CANNOT DRIVE OUT HATE; ONLY LOVE CAN DO THAT.”

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

ANSWERING YOUR TITLE IX QUESTIONS

What exactly is Sexual Misconduct?

Sexual Misconduct is a commonly used term and according to BYU’s policy, it collectively means the following:

- Sexual Harassment
- Sexual Violence
- Domestic Violence
- Dating Violence
- Stalking

DOMESTIC AND DATING VIOLENCE
Domestic violence is a violent crime committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner or any other person against a victim who is protected from that person’s acts under state domestic or family violence laws. Dating violence is violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim.

STALKING
Stalking is engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for his or her safety or the safety of others or to suffer substantial emotional distress.

To learn more about Sexual Misconduct, visit titleix.byu.edu.

CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT
The Title IX team participated in New Student Orientation for Winter semester on Saturday, January 6th. We loved meeting so many of our new students and introducing them to the "CougarStand" campaign. Being an engaged bystander is an important part of keeping our campus safe, and we can all make a difference. Take a CougarStand today!