



what

IS GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE?

Violence that is an expression of the unequal power relationship between genders. At the Center for Women and Gender Equity, we believe that, while these crimes are overwhelmingly committed by men, the overriding similarities in these crimes are not the gender of the perpetrator or the victim but the desire to assert power and control over another person. Often this assertion of power and control manifests in minimizing the victim regardless of the gender identity or sex of the victim. Because we devalue the feminine within our culture, this “violence against the feminine” is often about either demonstrating the weakness and helplessness of the victim or the strength and superiority of the perpetrator.

911 If you are in an emergency or immediate danger, dial 911

(423) 425-4357

AFTER-HOURS CRISIS LINE
Ask for an advocate on call



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WALK-IN ADVOCACY HOURS

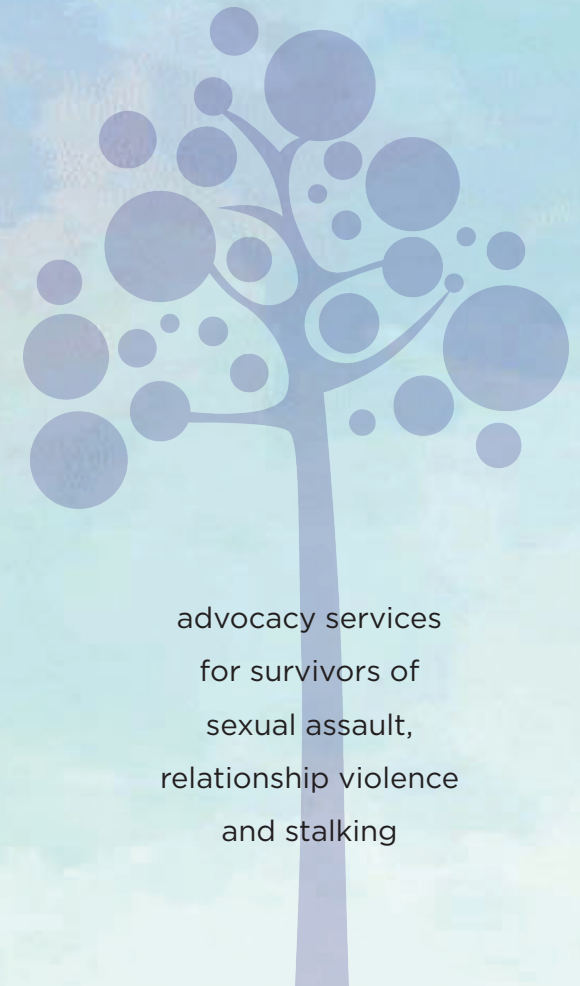
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10-11 a.m.
Tuesday, Thursday 3-4 p.m.

University Center 350 | (423) 425-5648
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survivor

advocacy services



advocacy services
for survivors of
sexual assault,
relationship violence
and stalking

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VIOLATION OF
PERSONAL
BOUNDARIES

who WE ARE

Survivor Advocacy Services is housed in the Center for Women and Gender Equity on the UTC campus. We provide both education to the campus community and advocacy to all students, staff and faculty.

Survivor Advocacy Services utilizes a victim-centered and trauma-informed approach to create a support network for survivors. We also focus on minimizing the trauma experienced by survivors in a sensitive and proficient manner.

HUMILIATION

THREATS OF
SUICIDE

how WE CAN HELP

- Academic support*
- Safety planning
- Accompaniment to any meetings
- Referrals to community services
- Serve as a resource to help understand University policies and procedures
- Requests for leniency

**Some accommodations may need to be approved through the Title IX Office. Please consult with your advocate about the resources available.*

HARASSING
PHONE CALLS
OR TEXTS

MANIPULATION

when CAN I ACCESS AN ADVOCATE?

Regardless of when an assault occurred or when the dating/domestic violence/stalking began, Survivor Advocacy Services is here to serve you and help you make informed decisions.

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advocate PROVIDES



LIMITED CONFIDENTIALITY Staff members acting as advocates for Survivor Advocacy Services have limited confidentiality. They are required to report only general information about the incidents of gender-based violence such as the nature, date, time and general location of the incident and they will take care to avoid reporting personally identifiable information about a survivor. Advocates will consult with the survivor regarding what information needs to be withheld to protect their identity. **RESPECT, EMPATHY AND SUPPORT** We acknowledge that you are the expert in your life. Therefore, we want to ensure survivor agency in decision-making. Advocates have knowledge and experience to assist you in making informed choices, but those choices are yours and deserve to be respected. **SURVIVOR-CENTERED APPROACH** Advocates are there to listen, not pass judgment or investigate. Advocates prioritize the rights, needs and wishes of the survivor.

Non-Confidential On-Campus Resources

Disability Resource Center
(423) 425-4006

Office of Student Conduct and
Student Outreach and Support
(423) 425-4301

Office of Equity and Inclusion
(423) 425-5468

Title IX Coordinator
(423) 425-4255

UTC Police Department
(423) 425-4357

Non-Confidential Off-Campus Resources

non-emergency

Chattanooga Police Department
(423) 968-2525

Hamilton County Sheriff's Department
(423) 209-7000

In case of off-campus emergency call 911

Confidential On-Campus Resources

Student Health Services
(423) 425-2266

UTC Counseling Center
(423) 425-4438
University Center Room 338
Monday - Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Confidential Off-Campus Resources

Family Violence &
Sexual Assault Hotline (24/7)
(423) 775-2700

Legal Aid of East Tennessee
(423) 756-4013