

BERKELEY COLLEGE
Student Bill of Rights – New York Campuses

Purpose

This Student Bill of Rights articulates the College's commitment to protect victims of sexual assault, intimate partner violence and/or stalking, and to foster a culture of support and mutual respect.

Scope

The following rights apply to incidents of sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and/or stalking (i) occurring on one of the Berkeley College New York campuses; and (ii) when either the reporting individual or the accused is a Berkeley College student; and/or (iii) when a Berkeley College student attending one of the New York campuses (or enrolled in an Online New York education program) is the victim of an off-campus sexual assault, intimate partner violence or stalking incident.

Rights

All students have the right to:

1. Make a report to local law enforcement and/or state police;
2. Have disclosures of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and sexual assault treated seriously;
3. Make a decision about whether or not to disclose a crime or violation and participate in the judicial or conduct process and/or criminal justice process free from pressure by the College;
4. Participate in a process that is fair, impartial, and provides adequate notice and a meaningful opportunity to be heard;
5. Be treated with dignity and to receive from the College courteous, fair, and respectful health care and counseling services, where available;
6. Be free from any suggestion that the reporting individual is at fault when these crimes and violations are committed, or should have acted in a different manner to avoid such crimes or violations;
7. Describe the incident to as few College representatives as practicable and not be required to unnecessarily repeat a description of the incident;
8. Be protected from retaliation by the College, any student, the accused and/or the respondent, and/or their friends, family and acquaintances within the jurisdiction of the College;
9. Access to at least one level of appeal of a determination;

10. Be accompanied by an advisor of choice who may assist and advise a reporting individual, accused, or respondent throughout the judicial or conduct process including during all meetings and hearings related to such process; and

11. Exercise civil rights and practice of religion without interference by the investigative, criminal justice, or judicial or conduct process of the College.

For additional information on how to file a report, confidential options, and available resources see:

- [Berkeley College's Title IX Website](#)
- [Equal Opportunity Policy](#)
- [Equal Opportunity Complaint Procedures for Students](#)
- [Resource Brochure](#)