Sexual Violence Victim/Survivor Bill Of Rights

The State University of New York and SUNY Delhi are committed to providing options, support and assistance to victims/survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking to ensure that they can continue to participate in College-wide and campus programs, activities, and employment. All victims/survivors of these crimes and violations, regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, age, disability, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, familial status, pregnancy, predisposing genetic characteristics, military status, domestic violence victim status, or criminal conviction, have the following rights, regardless of whether the crime or violation occurs on campus, off campus, or while studying abroad:

The right to:

- Have disclosures of sexual violence treated seriously.
- Make a decision about whether or not to disclose a crime or incident and participate in the conduct or criminal justice process free from outside pressures from college officials.
- Be treated with dignity and to receive from college officials courteous, fair, and respectful health care and counseling services.
- Be free from any suggestion that the victim/survivor is at fault when these crimes and violations are committed, or should have acted in a different manner to avoid such a crime.
- Describe the incident to as few individuals as practicable and not to be required to unnecessarily repeat a description of the incident.
- Be free from retaliation by the College, the accused, and/or their friends, family and acquaintances.
- Exercise civil rights and practice of religion without interference by the investigative, criminal justice, or conduct process of the College.

Options in brief:

Victims/survivors have many options that can be pursued simultaneously, including one or more of the following:

- Receive resources, such as counseling and medical attention;
- Confidentially or anonymously disclose a crime or violation.
 - O Confidential resources include licensed counselors on and off campus, medical professionals on and off campus, and the clergy.
 - O Individuals who cannot guarantee confidentiality will maintain your privacy to the greatest extent possible.
 - O If in doubt about confidentiality, ask.

Make a report to an authority who can address complaints:

- Lynn Berger: Director of Employee Relations and Affirmative Action/Title IX Coordinator, 607-746-4494, 105 Bush Hall, bergerla@delhi.edu for all questions regarding Title IX or to file a sexual harassment or discrimination complaint against a student, staff or faculty member or vendor
- Lori Osterhoudt: Director of Counseling and Health Services/Title IX Deputy Coordinator, 607-746-4690, Foreman Hall, osterhlb@delhi.edu for all questions regarding Title IX or to file a sexual harassment or discrimination complaint against a student, staff or faculty member or vendor
- LouAnn Matthews-Babcock: Director of Judicial Affairs, 607-746-4443, 130 Bush Hall, <u>matthelm@delhi.edu</u> to report Student Code of Conduct violations or to request a "No Contact Order"
- Counseling and Health Services: 607-746-4690, Foreman Hall, healthservices@delhi.edu to seek confidential medical treatment and counseling services
- University Police: 607-746-4700, North Hall for emergency assistance or to report a crime or request a "No Contact Order" or order of protection
- Local Law Enforcement:
 - O Delhi Village Police: 607-746-2249, 9 Court Street, Delhi
 - O Delaware County Sheriffs: 607-746-2336, 280 Phoebe Lane, Delhi
 - O NY State Police: 911 or 607-432-3211, 199 Oneida Street, Oneonta
- Safe Against Violence: 866-457-7233 or 607-746-6278, 35430 State Route 10, Hamden, <u>www.delawareopportunities.org/safe-against-violence</u> - provides services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other crimes