

# Sexual Violence Policy Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville Campus

#### 1. Sexual Violence Policy

- (a) Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville has adopted this Sexual Violence Policy, which defines sexual violence and outlines its training, reporting, investigative and disciplinary responses to complaints of sexual violence made by its students that have occurred on its campus, or at one of its events and involve its students.
- (b) The person accused of engaging in sexual violence will be referred to as the "Respondent" and the person making the allegation as the "Complainant".

#### 2. Definition of Sexual Violence

Sexual violence means any sexual act or act targeting a person's sexuality, gender identity or gender expression, whether the act is physical or psychological in nature, that is committed, threatened or attempted against a person without the person's consent, and includes sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, indecent exposure, voyeurism and sexual exploitation.

### 3. Training, Reporting and Responding to Sexual Violence

- (a) Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville shall provide students a copy of the Sexual Violence Policy and the acknowledgement of same will be made on the enrolment contract. A copy of the Sexual Violence Policy will be provided to all career college Instructors, Learning Coaches and any other staff and training them about the policy and its processes of reporting, investigating and responding to complaints of sexual violence involving its students will occur. \*Any company participating in offering student internships on their premises must provide an undertaking in writing that it is in compliance with all applicable legislation, including the Ontario Human Rights Code and the Occupational Health and Safety Act and will provide students access to those policies should they encounter issues relating to sexual violence in the workplace.
- (b) The complete Sexual Violence Policy shall be published and posted in the campus lunchroom. Additional copies can be provided upon request.
- (C) If students, in good faith, report an incident of, or make a complaint about, sexual violence, they will not be subject to discipline or sanctions for violations of the career college's policies relating to drug or alcohol use at the time the alleged sexual violence occurred.
- (d) Students who disclose their experience of sexual violence through reporting an incident of, making a complaint about, or accessing supports and services for sexual violence, will not be asked irrelevant questions during the investigation process by the career college's staff or investigators, including irrelevant questions relating to the student's sexual expression or past sexual history.
- (e) Any person subject to, or witnessing incidents of, or complaints of, sexual violence will report to the Campus Director, Melanie Cyr, <u>academyoflearning1@cogeco.net</u>, 613-967-8973 upon becoming aware of them.
- (f) Students who have been affected by sexual violence or who need information about support services should contact the Campus Director, Melanie Cyr.



- (g) Subject to Section 4 below, to the extent it is possible, Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville, will attempt to keep all personal information of persons involved in the investigation confidential except in those circumstances where it believes an individual is at imminent risk of self-harm, or of harming another, or there are reasonable grounds to believe that others on its campus or the broader community are at risk. This will be done by:
  - (A) ensuring that all complaints/reports and information gathered as a result of the complaint/reports will be only available to those who need to know for purposes of investigation, implementing safety measures and other circumstances that arise from any given case; and
  - (B) ensuring that the documentation is kept in a separate file from that of the Complainant/student or the Respondent.
- (h) Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville recognizes the right of the Complainant not to report an incident of or make a complaint about sexual violence or not request an investigation and not to participate in any investigation that may occur.
- (i) Notwithstanding, in certain circumstances, Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville, may be required by law or its internal policies to initiate an internal investigation and/or inform police without the complainant's consent if it believes the safety of members of its campus or the broader community is at risk.
- (j) In all cases, above, Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville will appropriately accommodate the needs of its students affected by sexual violence. Students seeking accommodation should contact the Campus Director, Melanie Cyr.

In this regard, Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville, will assist students who have experienced sexual violence in obtaining counselling and medical care, and provide them with information about sexual violence supports and services available in the community as set out in **Appendix 1** attached hereto. Students are not required to file a formal complaint in order to access supports and services.

### 4. Investigating Reports of Sexual Violence

- (a) Under this Sexual Violence Policy, any student of Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville may file a report of an incident or a complaint to the Campus Director, Melanie Cyr, in writing.
- (b) Upon receipt of a report of an incident or a complaint of alleged sexual violence being made, the Campus Director, Melanie Cyr, will respond promptly and:
  - (i) determine whether an investigation should proceed and if the Complainant wishes to participate in an investigation;
  - (ii) determine who should conduct the investigation having regard to the seriousness of the allegation and the parties involved;
  - determine whether the incident should be referred immediately to the police;
    In such cases or where civil proceedings are commenced in respect of allegations of sexual violence,
    Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville, may conduct its own independent investigation and
    make its own determination in accordance with its own policies and procedures; and
  - (iv) determine what interim measures ought to be put in place pending the investigation process such as removal of the Respondent or seeking alternate methods of providing necessary course studies.



- (c) Once an investigation is initiated, the following will occur:
  - (i) the Complainant and the Respondent will be advised that they may ask another person to be present throughout the investigation;
  - (ii) interviewing the Complainant to ensure a complete understanding of the allegation and gathering additional information that may not have been included in the written complaint such as the date and time of the incident, the persons involved, the names of any person who witnessed the incident and a complete description of what occurred;
  - (iii) informing and interviewing the Respondent of the complaint, providing details of the allegations and giving the Respondent an opportunity to respond to those allegations and to provide any witnesses the Respondent feels are essential to the investigation;
  - (iv) interviewing any person involved or who has, or may have, knowledge of the incident and any identified witnesses;
  - (V) providing reasonable updates to the Complainant and the Respondent about the status of the investigation; and
  - (vi) following the investigation, the Campus Director, Melanie Cyr, will:
    - (A) review all of the evidence collected during the investigation;
    - (B) determine whether sexual violence occurred; and if so
    - (C) determine what disciplinary action, if any, should be taken as set out in Section 6 below.

### 5. Disciplinary Measures

- (a) If it is determined by Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville that the Respondent did engage in sexual violence, immediate disciplinary or corrective action will be taken. This may include:
  - (i) disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment of Instructors, Learning Coaches or other staff; or
  - (ii) expulsion of a student; and /or
  - (iii) the placement of certain restrictions on the Respondent's ability to access certain premises or facilities; and/or
  - (iv) any other actions that may be appropriate in the circumstances.

### 6. Appeal

(a) Should the Complainant or the Respondent not agree with the decision resulting from the investigation, he or she may appeal the decision to the Ministry of Colleges and Universities by submitting the *inquiry at the Program Approval & Registration Information System (PARIS).* Students shall register in PARIS at this link: <a href="https://www.pcc.tcu.gov.on.ca/PARISExtWeb/public/register.xhtml">https://www.pcc.tcu.gov.on.ca/PARISExtWeb/public/register.xhtml</a> with a "Student" type profile. Once they login, students shall click on Inquiry.



### 7. Making False Statements

- (a) It is a violation of this Sexual Violence Policy for anyone to knowingly make a false complaint of sexual violence or to provide false information about a complaint.
- (b) Individuals who violate this Sexual Violence Policy are subject to disciplinary and/or corrective action up to and including termination of employment of instructors/Learning Coaches, other staff or expulsion of a student.

#### 8. Reprisal

- (a) It is a violation of this Sexual Violence Policy to retaliate or threaten to retaliate against a complainant who has brought forward a complaint of sexual violence, provided information related to a complaint, or otherwise been involved in the complaint investigation process.
- (b) Individuals who violate the Sexual Violence Policy are subject to disciplinary and/or corrective action, up to and including termination of employment of instructors or staff or expulsion of a student.

### 9. Review

- (a) Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville shall ensure that student input is considered in the development of its Sexual Violence Policy and every time it is reviewed or amended.
- (b) Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville shall review its Sexual Violence Policy 3 years after it is first implemented and amend it where appropriate. The date of this revision is July 17, 2024.

#### **10.** Collection of Student Data

(a) Academy of Learning Career College, Belleville shall collect and be prepared to provide upon request by the Superintendent of Career Colleges such data and information as required according to Subsections 32. 1 (8), (9), (10) and (11) of Schedule 5 of the Ontario Career Colleges Act, 2005 as amended.



## Appendix 1

The following represents a list of Provincial Rape Crisis Centres that could be provided as resources:

Canadian Association of Sexual Assault Centres Ontario - Provincial English França Assaulted Women's Helpline Fem'a Toll Free: 1-866-863-0511 Teleph #SAFE (#7233) on Bell Rogers, Eido or Telus mobile ATS: 1

#SAFE (#7233) on Bell, Rogers, Fido or Telus mobile TTY: 416-364-8762 www.awhl.org Français Fem'aide Telephone Toll-Free: 1-877-336-2433 ATS: 1 866 860-7082 www.femaide.ca

## Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centres

35 <u>hospital-based centres that provide</u> 24/7 emergency care to women. To locate the Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centre nearest you, follow <u>this link</u>: <u>http://www.satcontario.com/en/locate\_centre.php</u>

Alliston, Barrie, Collingwood, Midland and Orillia Huronia Transition Homes operates La Maison Rosewood Shelter (Midland) & Athena's Sexual Assault Counselling and Advocacy Centre 24-Hour Crisis Line: Barrie: 705-737-2008 or 1-800-987-0799	Iethinisten:ha Women's Shelter Akwasasne Family Violence Program 24-Hour Crisis: 1-800-480-4208 Phone: 613-937-4322 <u>www.akwesasne.ca/iethinistenha-women's-shelter</u>
Midland: 705-526-4211 or 1-800-461-175	Durham Region
Office: 705-526-3221	Durham Rape Crisis Centre
www.huroniatransitionhomes.ca	Crisis: 905-668-9200 Office: 905-444.9672
	info@drcc.ca www.drcc.ca
Belleville	
Sexual Assault Centre for Quinte and District	Eganville
Toll-Free: 1-877-544-6424 Office: 613-967-6300	Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Renfrew County 24-Hour
www.sacqd.com	Crisis: 1-800-663-3060 Office: 613-735-5551
	www.wsac.ca
Bracebridge	Quality
Muskoka/Parry Sound Sexual Assault Services Parry	Guelph
Sound District Office Office: (705) 774-9083 or 1-877-851-6662	Guelph-Wellington Women in Crisis Crisis: 519-836-5710 1-800-265-7233
www.daphnewymn.com Muskoka District	Office: 519-823-5806
Office: (705) 646-2122 or 1-877-406-1268	www.gwwomenincrisis.org
www.daphnewymn.com	
	Hamilton
Brantford	Sexual Assault Centre (Hamilton and Area)
Sexual Assault Centre of Brantford	Crisis: (905) 525-4162 Office (905) 525-4573
Crisis: 519-751-3471 Office: 519-751-1164	TTY: 905-525-4592
sexualassaultcentre@sacbrant.ca http://sacbrant.ca/	www.sacha.ca
Brockville	Kenora
Assault Response & Care Centre	Kenora Sexual Assault Centre
Office: (613) 345-3881 or 1-800-567-7415	Crisis: (807) 468-7233 or 1-800-565-6161
arcc@bgh-on.ca www.arc-c.ca	Office: (807) 468-7958
	www.kenorasexualassaultcentre.com



Chatham Chatham-Kent Sexual Assault Crisis Centre 24-Hour Crisis Line: 519-354-8688 Office/TTY: 519-354-8908 http://cksacc.org/ Cornwall Sexual Assault Support Services for Women Office:613-932-1755 http://sassforwomen.ca/	Kingston Sexual Assault Centre Kingston Crisis: 613-544-6424 or 1-877-544-6424 Office: 613-545-0762 <u>sack@sackingston.com www.sackingston.com</u>
Kitchener-Waterloo Sexual Assault Support Centre of Waterloo Region Crisis: 519.741.8633 Office: 519.571.0121 info@sascwr.org www.kwsasc.org	YWCA Peterborough Haliburton Crisis: 1-800-461-7656 Office: 705.743.3526 x 130 www.ywcapeterborough.org
London Sexual Assault Centre London Crisis: 519-438-2272 Office 519-439-0844 TTY: 519-439-0690 sacl@sacl.ca www.sacl.ca London Abused Women's Centre	Sault Ste Marie Women in Crisis (Algoma) Inc. Crisis: 705-759-1230 or 1-877-759-1230 www.womenincrisis.ca Sarnia-Lambton Sexual Assault Survivors Centre Sarnia-Lambton
Office: 519-432-2204 E-Mail: <u>info@lawc.on.ca http://lawc.on.ca/</u> Peel Region	Crisis: 519 337-3320 or 1-888-231-0536 Office: (519) 337-3154 <u>www.sexualassaultsarnia.on.ca</u>
Hope 24/7 (formerly the Sexual Assault/Rape Crisis Centre of Peel) Crisis:1-800-810-0180 Office: (905) 792-0821 http://hope247.ca/	Simcoe Haldimand & Norfolk Women's Service Crisis: 1-800-265-8076 TTY: 1-800-815-6419 Office: 519-426-8048 hnws@hnws.on.ca www.hnws.on.ca
Newmarket Women's Support Network of York Region Crisis: 1-800-263-6734 or 905-895-6734 Office: (905) 895-3646 www.womenssupportnetwork.ca	St. Catherines Niagara Region Sexual Assault Centre Crisis: (905) 682-4584 Office: (905) 682-7258 <u>carsa@sexualassaultniagara.org</u> <u>http://sexualassaultniagara.org/</u>
North Bay Amelia Rising Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Nipissing/centre d'aggressions sexuelles de Nipissing Crisis: 705-476-3355 Office: 705-840-2403 TTY: (705) 840-5877 info@ameliarising.ca www.ameliarising.ca	Thunder Bay Thunder Bay Sexual Assault and Sexual Abuse Crisis and Counselling Centre Office: (807) 345-0894 or 1-866-311-5927 tbcounselling@tbsasa.org www.tbsasa.org
info@ameliarising.ca www.ameliarising.ca Oakville Sexual Assault & Violence Intervention Services of Halton Crisis: 905-875-1555 or 1-877-268-8416 Office: 905-825-3622 www.savisofhalton.org	Timmins Timmins and Area Women in Crisis Crisis: 1-877-268-8380 (sexual assault) Crisis: 1-855-827-7233 (shelter) Office: (705) 268-8381 <u>info@tawc.ca</u> <u>http://www.tawc.ca/</u>
Orangeville Family Transition Place	Toronto Oasis Centre des Femmes Téléphone : 416-591-6565

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Crisis: 1-800-265-9178 Office: 519-942-4122	Courriel : <u>services@oasisfemmes.org</u>
www.familytransitionplace.ca	http://oasisfemmes.org/
Ottawa	
Sexual Assault Support Centre	Toronto Rape Crisis Centre: Multicultural Women Against
Crisis: 613-234-2266 Phone: 613-725-2160	Rape
TTY: 613-725-1657	Crisis: 416-597-8808 Office: 416-597-1171
info@sascottawa.com http://sascottawa.com	info@trccmwar.ca crisis@trccmwar.ca www.trccmwar.ca
Ottawa Rape Crisis Centre	
Crisis: 613-562-2333 Office: 613-562-2334	Windsor
http://orcc.net/	Sexual Assault Crisis Centre of Essex County
	Crisis: 519-253-9667
Peterborough & Kawarthas	www.saccwindsor.net
Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre	
Crisis: (705) 741- 0260 or 1-866-298-7778	Woodstock
Office/TTY: (705) 741-0260	Domestic Abuse Services Oxford
www.kawarthasexualassaultcentre.com	Crisis: 519 539-4811 or 1-800-265-1938
	info@daso.ca www.daso.ca