

Dating



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Violence

For approximately one out of four college students who date, dating violence is a reality involving physical, sexual, and emotional abuse.

DATING VIOLENCE is controlling, abusive and aggressive behavior in a romantic relationship. Abusive partners may use a combination of the following tactics to control, manipulate and abuse a partner:

Physical – hitting, pinching, shoving, restraining, destroying property, choking, or threats of harm.

Sexual – rape, sexual abuse, or any coercion or manipulation of a partner to engage in sexual behaviors.

Emotional – insults, name-calling, yelling, threats, stalking, extreme jealousy, humiliating a partner in public or in private; isolating a partner from friends or family; threatening to “out” a gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender partner; making someone account for time; or threats to harm self.

Who Can Help

- Police department: **9-911** on campus of **911** off campus.
- The Counseling Center: 217-333-3704 during business hours.
- Emergency services after-hours are provided by Provena Behavioral Health Crisis Line at 217-359-4141.
- Women’s Resources Center: 217-333-3137
Provides advocacy, support services and outreach for sexual assault and relationship abuse issues.