Prevention tips

- Be aware of your surroundings.
- Always let someone know where you are, especially if you’re attending a meeting or event after hours.
- Contact Public Safety if you need to be escorted to your mode of transportation.
- Always walk briskly; look alert and confident, and avoid carrying objects requiring use of both arms.
- If you think you are being followed, walk quickly to areas where there are lights and people. If a car appears to be following you, turn and walk in the opposite direction, or walk on the other side of the street.
- Trust your instincts. If something doesn’t feel right to you, leave and get to a safe place immediately.
- Carry a whistle. If in danger, use it, scream and run.
- Encourage group activities in early stages of a relationship.
- Know your sexual desires and limits, communicate them clearly.
- “No” means “No.”

For more information on how to report sexual misconduct and the rights and responsibilities of alleged victims, go to depts.gpc.edu/gpcmisconduct.
GPC Sexual Misconduct Policy

Georgia Perimeter College strictly prohibits any acts of sexual misconduct (including sexual violence and/or harassment) to any member of the student body, faculty, staff, administration, or visitors to campus, whether they are guests, patrons or independent contractors.

Unwanted touching, unprovoked verbal or non-verbal gestures regarding sex, race, or ethnic origin, will not be tolerated and are subject to the student judicial system or employee disciplinary procedures.

What is sexual misconduct?

Sexual misconduct/sexual violence, includes, but is not limited to: sexual harassment, sexual violence, non-consensual sexual intercourse, non-consensual sexual contact and sexual exploitation.

Examples of sexual misconduct are as follows:
- Rape
- Assault to commit rape
- Sexual battery
- Aggravated sexual battery
- Object rape
- Statutory rape
- Sodomy
- Aggravated sodomy
- Public indecency
- Unwanted touching and stalking

Definitions

Sexual violence is an act of violence in which one person subjects another person to contact of a sexual nature against that person’s will.

Sexual harassment is unwelcomed sexual advances, requests for sexual favors and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature.

Where can sexual misconduct occur?
- Sexual misconduct can occur face-to-face;
- It can occur online or through social media;
- Or it can be relayed through phone calls, texts or instant messages.

When can sexual misconduct occur?

Sexual misconduct can occur on or off campus and at student-sanctioned events like study abroad, homecoming, conferences, retreats and athletic events.

Who can be a victim of sexual misconduct?

Anyone can be a victim of sexual misconduct, or sexual violence regardless of sexual orientation.

Don’t delay! Seek medical attention if you have been a victim of sexual violence.

Do not bathe, douche, or change clothes. You may destroy legal evidence, regardless of whether you pursue legal action or not.