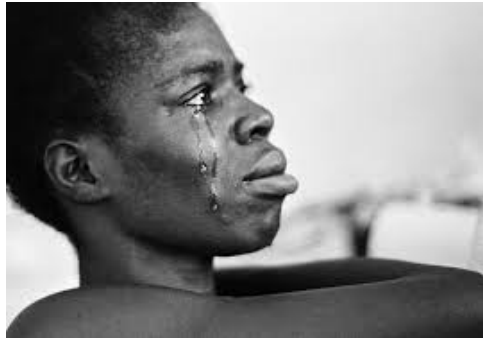


# Sexual Assault and College Students – Fact Sheet

## University of Mississippi



### What is sexual assault?

Sexual assault is any type of force that is unwanted sexual activities that occurs without consent of the second person. It is the forcing of sexual activities from the victim to the offender. Sexual assault is a crime of power and control. Types of sexual assault:

- Rape/attempted rape
- Child molestation
- Sexual harassments
- Threats

### Who is sexually assaulted?

Anyone no matter the age, gender, race etc. can be sexually assaulted. Women ages 16 to 24 are more likely to be assaulted than anyone else.

**70% of  
Sexual  
Assault  
cases are  
not reported**

### How can you help yourself from sexual assault?

Sexual assault can happen to anyone yet there are ways to make oneself safer.

- Know your surroundings
- Go to parties and walk in groups
- Don't drink too much alcohol
- Don't drink out of community drinks
- Do not leave with someone you do not know
- Don't drink out of an open container
- If a guy want to get you a drink, go with him

### What do I do if I think I have been sexually assaulted?

If you believe you were sexually assaulted know you are not the only one and it is not your fault. What you can do is go to the hospital and receive a rape kit. After, if you were assaulted the police are there if you would like to report the incident. At the *University of Student Health Center* they offer Sexual Assault Nurse Examinations as well.

### Who is there to help me?

Many people from doctors to family members are there to help you. *University Counselors* and the *violence prevention coordinator* are there to listen. Also psychologist and someone you can trust are options as well. If you would like to stay anonymous there are hotlines and chat-lines. *National Sexual Assault Hotline* is 800-656-HOPE(4673) online chat is [online.rainn.org](http://online.rainn.org).

