SEXUAL ASSAULT

If you have been involved in a sexual assault it is recommended you do the following:

- **Tell Someone.** Talk to Student Life, a friend, relative, faculty member, resident assistant, or counselor. Do not keep it to yourself. Student Life staff, Residence hall staff and College counselors are available to provide support, refer you to appropriate persons or agencies, and inform you of your options. The following is a list of staff who can assist you:

**Title IX Coordinator (For faculty and staff):**
Christine DeGeorge – Vice President of Human and Organizational Development
Office location: Joutras, First Floor
(941) 359-7619   ccarnegi@ringling.edu

**Deputy Title IX Coordinator (Students):**
Dr. Tammy S. Walsh - Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students
Office location: Ulla Searing Student Center, Second Floor
(941) 359-7510   twalsh@ringling.edu

**Office of Student Life Staff**
Jekeyma Robinson – Associate Dean of Students for Student Development
Office location: Ulla Searing Student Center, Second Floor
(941) 309-4375   jrobinso@ringling.edu

Chris Shaffer – Associate Dean for Residence Life
Office Location: Ann and Alfred Goldstein Hall, First Floor
(941) 359-7616   cshaffer@ringling.edu

Tiffany Bartlett – Coordinator of Residence Life
Office Location: Ann and Alfred Goldstein Hall, First Floor
(941) 309-0111   lrust@ringling.edu

James Mitchell – Coordinator of Residence Life for Operations
Office Location: Ann and Alfred Goldstein Hall, First Floor
(941) 309-1963   jmitche1@ringling.edu

Katie Cuff – Coordinator of Student Activities and Leadership Development
Office Location: Ann and Alfred Goldstein Hall, First Floor
(941) 309-0202   kcuffi@ringling.edu

Melanie Stawkey – Coordinator of Recreation and Wellness
Office Location: Ulla Searing Student Center, Second Floor
(941) 359-6123   mstawkey@ringling.edu
Office of Public Safety
Office Location: Harmon Hall, First Floor
(941) 359-7500

Dr. John Walker—Campus Chaplain (Confidential Source)
Office Location: Ulla Searing Student Center
(941) 309-0200 jwalker@ringling.edu

Peterson Counseling Center (Confidential Source)
Office Location: Health Center
(941) 893-2855

Health Center (Confidential Source)
Office Location: Health Center
(941) 309-4000

The following is a list of community resources:

SPARCC (Safe Place and Rape Crisis Center)
2139 Main Street
Sarasota, Florida 34237
(941) 365-0208

You can also reach SPARCC through the Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-500-1119.

HOPE Family Services
www.hopefamilyservice.org
24 Hour Help-line: 941-755-6805
Outreach Office: 941-747-8499

Manatee Glens Rape Crisis Services
www.manateeglens.org
Rape Crisis Hotline: 941-708-6059
Main number: 941-782-4100

You are encouraged also to immediately report the offense to Public Safety (and local city police if the offense occurs off campus) to gather and preserve evidence, in case you wish to pursue criminal or civil charges. If you wait to report an offense evidence will be lost. The decision to file charges is up to you. Please be aware that information reported to any police official is public information, and is available to local media. It is, however, the general practice of journalists not to release names of victims of sex offenses.
• **Preserve Evidence.** Do not shower, wash, change clothes, douche, urinate, brush teeth, or place anything in your mouth. Do not disturb items in the area where the offense occurred. Keep people away from the scene so evidence is not disturbed.

• **Seek Medical Attention.** It is recommended that you go directly to the hospital for a Medical Legal Rape Examination. Take along extra clothing, including underwear, for after the exam.