



I'M HERE FOR YOU

About

This semesterly newsletter is intended for I'm Here For You sticker holders, Community Coalition on Gender-Based Violence members, and advocates. Each semester this newsletter will highlight happenings on campus related to gender-based violence, updated information regarding applicable laws, and links to articles of related interest.

Upcoming Calendar

- November 15th:**
Tivo's Retirement Party
 12:30pm-2:30pm
 Damen MPR
- November 29th:**
Escalation Workshop
 5pm-6:30pm
 Damen Cinema
- February 1st:**
Community Coalition Open House
 6pm-7:30pm
 Damen Den

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A NEW NAME, WEBSITE

Created in 2009 with help from funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, the Coordinated Community Response Team (CCRT)

Workshopping the values and goals of the Team led to the creation of a new mission statement, name, and website. The new name, the

overhauling the website. The new resource is meant to be a "one-stop shop" for students, staff, and faculty. With new graphics, clear resources and



A screenshot of the new website

sought to remove barriers to on-campus reporting, connect survivors with services both on and off campus, and review and improve gender-based misconduct policies.

When the grant ended last fall, the CCRT took the opportunity to review its mission statement.

Community Coalition on Gender-Based Violence more accurately expresses the collaborative nature of the group, while highlighting its focus on gender-based violence.

In addition to the new name and mission statement, this past summer was devoted to

FAQs for survivors, a section on fulfilling ones role as a responsible employee, and information on events and programs, the website reflects the current needs of our community. Locate (and bookmark!) the new website at:

<http://www.luc.edu/coalition>

COMMUNITY COALITION OPEN HOUSE

On February 1, 2017, the Community Coalition on Gender-Based Violence will hold an open house from 6pm -7:30pm in the Damen Den

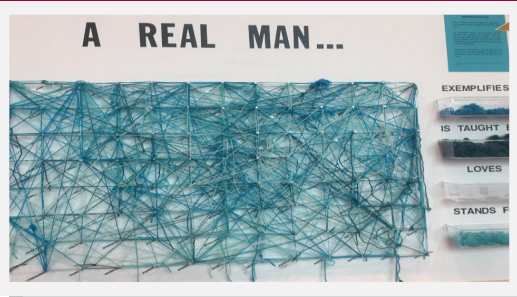
The goal of the open house is to allow students to speak

with and access resources from the various Coalition members, including SDMA, OSCCR, Campus Safety, the Wellness Center, and others. The Open House also aims to promote its new website as a resource to the entire Loyola community.

Snacks and a raffle will accompany the event.

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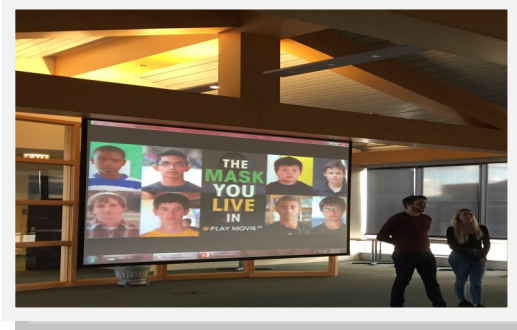
Scenes from last semester's Sexual Assault Awareness Month



"A Real Man" Art Installation



"Holy Sex Talk: A Conversation about Faith and Intimacy"



Screening "The Mask You Live In"



CHANGE is now an award-winning sponsored student organization.

Founded just last year, Challenging Antiquated Norms for Gender Equality (CHANGE) was nominated for Outstanding New Organization. They took home the prize last April.

CHANGE has a seat on the Community Coalition on Gender-Based Violence and is becoming a valued partner organization for many events.

CHANGE was the force behind many innovative Sexual Assault Awareness Month events. They planned a screening of "The Mask You Live In," a documentary

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on American masculinity. They also debuted their "kissing booth," a show-stopping wooden booth that aims to promote conversations about consent.



CHANGE ADDS 10 NEW MEMBERS

In what amounts to a 91% membership increase from last year, CHANGE has added 10 new members to its team.

All of this data indicates that we are building a powerful, knowledgeable team of social justice advocates and prevention educators.

In September, all new and returning members attended Fall 2017 training, an eight-hour all day Saturday event. Pre- and post-tests indicate that significant knowledge is gained through this experience. After the training, attendees were better able to identify different systems of oppression and were better able to define stalking. Additionally, in the post-test, participants labeled common perceptions about domestic and dating violence as founded or unfounded given current research.



A fraction of our growing organization, now at 21 members

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION WITHDRAWS PREVIOUS TITLE IX GUIDANCE

On September 22, 2017, the Department of Education withdrew policies and guidance previously issued by the Obama administration.

Colloquially called the "2011 Dear Colleague letter," this document reminded schools of their legal responsibility to prevent, investigate, and respond to campus sexual misconduct and other forms of gender-based violence.

Critics of the 2011 Dear Colleague letter claimed that it created a climate where survivors were given preferential treatment in the adjudication of Title IX cases. Advocates of the document stated that it gave the epidemic of campus sexual assault the attention it deserved and implemented much need protections for vulnerable students.

In response to the guidance issued most recently, [the Office of the Dean of Students](#) reaffirmed its commitment to upholding not only Title IX, but the Violence Against Women Act and the new Illinois Prevention Sexual Assault in Higher Education Act.



Currently, none of the changes coming from the Department of Education affect Loyola policies.

For more information on this topic, please click:

[Inside Higher Ed](#)
[CNN](#)

HARVEY WEINSTEIN, KEVIN SPACEY, #METOO

Everyday news of an additional allegation of sexual assault or harassment against powerful Hollywood men floods our social media and newsfeeds. The #MeToo



Thankfully, there are [resources](#) for those who may be feeling overwhelmed or triggered. The following was posted on the Wellness Center's social media

outlets. Please feel free to share widely through your channels.

campaign, where survivors of sexual assault disclosed their own experiences by typing this hashtag into their posts, highlights how many people have suffered at the hands of predators.

GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PROGRAMMING AT LOYOLA

19

The number of on-going programs around gender-based violence that is offered at Loyola University Chicago

9

Loyola recognizes that everyone learns differently. As such, the programs include 9 different delivery methods for instruction.

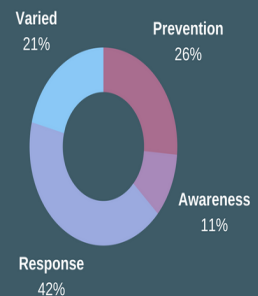


Gender-based violence prevention requires influencing all levels of risk factors. Programming at Loyola reaches across multiple spheres.

LEVELS OF INFLUENCE



APPROACH TYPE



The above infographic highlights LUC's breadth of programming



Student Activism

With a politically charged climate and increased access to “armchair activism,” our students are more politically engaged. While there are benefits to student activism, it can also come with a greater risk for burnout, especially when combined with the other commitments packing our students’ schedules.

Looking to support your student activists?

Here are some resources:

[Student Activism on Campus by Cause](#)

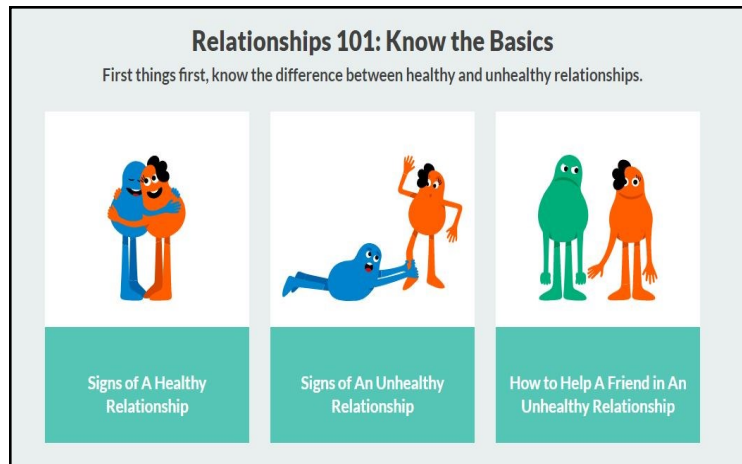
[Youth Activist Toolkit](#)

ONE LOVE: A NEW CAMPUS INITIATIVE TO COMBAT RELATIONSHIP ABUSE

In 2010, Yeardley Love, a senior at UVA, was killed by her ex-boyfriend. One Love was started by her mother and sister to educate young people and start a conversation about relationship abuse. The premise is that if people understand the signs of an unhealthy and increasingly dangerous, abusive relationship, steps could be taken to save a life.

[The One Love Foundation](#) has many initiatives, with The Escalation Workshop at its core. This 90 minute workshop includes a 40 minute film and 50 minute discussion. The film follows a college-aged couple through the very sweet beginnings of their relationship and shows how unhealthy behaviors can escalate into abuse. The

discussion, led by trained facilitators, highlights early warning signs of abuse and what participants can do if they witness or experience these warning signs.



Vignettes to teach about healthy and unhealthy relationships from [One Love](#)

This fall, all Loyola athletes attended an Escalation Workshop. On November 29th, from 5pm-6:30pm, the workshop will be held in the Damen Cinema and is open to the Loyola community. CHANGE members and Wellness Advocates have been trained to run the discussions. If you are interested in holding an Escalation Workshop for your group, please contact

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