SVA Campus Climate for Sexual Misconduct Survey

Participation

- SVA advertised the Campus Climate Survey to students, and sent every student an emailed invitation to complete the survey starting on April 15, 2019. The survey was voluntary, and all responses to the survey were anonymous.

Participation Rates

- 438 students participated in the student survey, comprising an eleven percent response rate.

Participant Profiles

- 88 percent of student respondents were undergraduates.
- 67 percent of the respondents identified as female, 10 percent identified as male, 20 percent identified with non-binary gender identities.

Areas of Inquiry Covered by this Report

- The Title IX Coordinator’s role;
- Campus policies and procedures addressing sexual assault;
- How and where to report sexual violence;
- The prevalence of sexual misconduct on and off-campus during the last year;
- Whether sexual misconduct was reported to the College and/or police;
- Affirmative Consent

Reported Sexual Misconduct

The Campus Climate Survey asked students whether they experienced sexual misconduct in their time at SVA. 11% (49 student respondents) indicated that they had experienced sexual misconduct. Of those who reported experiencing sexual misconduct in their time at SVA, the following types of misconduct were reported:
Type of Misconduct

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<th>Percentage</th>
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<td>Sex-based discrimination</td>
<td>36%</td>
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<td>Sexual or sex-based harassment</td>
<td>51%</td>
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<td>Sexual Assault</td>
<td>27%</td>
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<td>Stalking</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td>Dating or Domestic Violence</td>
<td>12%</td>
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Reasons Students Did Not Report

Of the survey respondents who said they experienced sexual misconduct, 23% indicated that they made a report to SVA. Of those who chose not to report, the following are the reasons they provided:

- I did not think it was serious enough to report: 12% (6 respondents)
- I did not think anything would be done: 12% (6 respondents)
- Felt embarrassed, ashamed or that it would be too emotionally difficult: 2% (1 respondent)
- Incident was not on campus or associated with the school: 8% (4 respondents)
- Did not know where to go or who to tell: 0% (no respondents)
- I did not want the person to get into trouble: 2% (1 respondent)
- I feared negative social consequences: 4% (2 respondents)
- I did not think anyone would believe me: 12% (6 respondents)
- I feared it would not be kept confidential: 4% (2 respondents)
- I was worried about retaliation from other students: 2% (1 respondent)
- Incident did not occur while attending school: 2% (1 respondent)
Knowledge of Reporting and Support Options

The Survey asked students to indicate their knowledge of which campus employees are trained to receive complaints of sexual misconduct. Nearly 80% of respondents indicated their awareness of the role of the Title IX Coordinator. The full list of responses is included below.

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<td>Title IX Coordinator</td>
<td>87%</td>
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<td>RAs</td>
<td>64%</td>
<td>140</td>
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<td>Security Officers</td>
<td>59%</td>
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<td>Administrative Staff Members</td>
<td>67%</td>
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<td>Professors/Faculty Members</td>
<td>58%</td>
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Knowledge of Policies

92 percent of respondents indicated that they are aware of the definition of affirmative consent.

38 percent of students were aware that they would not be disciplined for drug or alcohol use when reporting sexual misconduct, or participating as a witness to an investigation.