



Colleges Should Have Clear Policies When It Comes To Sexual Assault

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In recent years, there has been an alarming rise in student-on-student sexual violence on college campuses across the nation. In fact, nearly one in four women are sexually assaulted while in college, according to a recent report by the Association of American Universities.

Sexual violence raises a number of issues for colleges and universities that extends far beyond those associated with sexual harassment. Although harassment generally falls within the scope of campus policies and procedures, incidents of sexual assault may constitute criminal offenses, require medical treatment and raise concerns about reporting, recordkeeping, police involvement and media attention.

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