

SUNY Sexual Violence Prevalence (SVP) Campus Climate Survey Report Spring 2023

Summary

On April 13, 2023, Columbia-Greene launched an online Sexual Violence Prevalence (SVP) Campus Climate Survey. Administered to students and employees, the survey assesses students', and employees' knowledge about:

- The Title IX Coordinator's role.
- Campus policies and procedures addressing sexual assault.
- How and where to report sexual violence as a victim/survivor or witness.
- The availability of resources on-and off-campus, such as counseling, health, and academic assistance.
- The prevalence of victimization and perpetration of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking on-and-off campus during a set time period (for example, the last two years).
- Bystander attitudes and behavior.
- Whether victims/survivors reported to the College and/or Security, and reasons why they did or did not report.
- The general awareness of the difference, if any, between the institution's policies and penal law.
- The general awareness of the definition of affirmative consent.

In reviewing the results, College leadership highlights that the survey

- Indicated that students were not sure that C-GCC has policies and procedures specifically addressing sexual assault.
- Indicated that students are somewhat aware of the relevant on-campus and community support services available to them.
- Indicated that employees are generally aware of the policies and laws, and of the available resources.
- Indicated that employees agree C-GCC takes student complaints of sexual violence seriously, conducts fair investigations, and provides necessary student support.

The Title IX Coordinator and the Director of Institutional Research, Planning and Effectiveness reviewed the results of the survey and prepared and presented a report to the College President, Dean of Student Development, and the Chief Diversity Officer.

The Title IX Coordinator, with Executive Leadership, will use the information from this survey to improve the climate at C-GCC. The College is proud of the current working environment but recognized areas where improvements can be made including raising awareness of Title IX to students and employees, increasing awareness of services available to students and employees, and enhancing overall training to both groups.

If you have any questions about the survey or the results included in this report, please contact:

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Background

All SUNY campuses administered the SVP survey every other year and who work closely with SUNY System Administration to coordinate the survey administration itself. An effort is made to keep the questions from one administration to the next as consistent as possible to allow for reliable and meaningful longitudinal data. System-wide IRB review takes place for each survey administration.

Columbia-Greene administered the student survey between April 13, 2023, and May 1, 2023, and the employee survey between April 13, 2023, and May 1, 2023. Excluded in the survey populations were individuals under 18 years of age, all incarcerated individuals regardless of age, and all students concurrently enrolled in high school regardless of age.

- All eligible survey participants received survey invitations.
- Incentives to complete the survey were not offered.
- No survey outreach occurred ahead of the administration window; multiple campus surveys were distributed in Spring 2023.

Results

- 205 employees received an invitation.
- 768 students received an invitation.
- 58 employees submitted a response (35 staff/administrators; 23 faculty).
- 51 students submitted a response.
- 28% response rate for employees.
- 7% response rate for students.