

2021 Campus Climate Survey of Sexual Assault, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence and Stalking

New York State Educational Law 129-B stipulates that, "Every institution shall conduct, no less than every other year, a campus climate assessment to ascertain general awareness and knowledge of the provisions of the law, including student experience with and knowledge of reporting and college adjudicatory processes."

In April 2021, The King's College conducted a Sexual Misconduct Climate Survey to gather information about incidents of sexual violence on campus as well as knowledge of and familiarity with relevant campus policies and resources. The entire student body, 421 students, were invited to take the electronic survey. Of those, 113 (26.8%) responded.

The survey results revealed areas where the College's sexual violence prevention practices are effective, as well as opportunities for improvement. Over 85% of the respondents indicated that they are knowledgeable about: College policies on sexual misconduct, resources available to them, the role of the Title IX coordinator, and affirmative consent. Of those who responded, 73% indicated they knew how to report a case of sexual misconduct.

Over 90% of student respondents indicated that they believe that, if they were to report an incident of sexual misconduct, the College would take their report seriously, provide resources and support, conduct a fair investigation, protect the victim from further harm, and take appropriate action.

The data showed some growth opportunities. An area of improvement is related to participation in trainings/information sessions on how students can help to prevent sexual violence. Of the survey respondents, several stated the desire to have additional training throughout the school year and creating a deeper dialogue across campus. 53% of respondents indicated they attended one training while 25% attended more than one. While this is an improvement from previous survey results, we want to see these percentages continue to increase given the important role students can play in preventing sexual violence.

The King's College will use these survey results to evaluate and improve its training, resources, prevention measures, and education regarding policies and student rights. The King's College is committed to preventing and addressing sexual violence. We invite students to partner with us to create a safe and healthy campus community for all.

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