

Understanding Your Rights Complainant



You have the right to the following:

- To file a report through University Police, the Student Life Office, Residence Life staff, or other applicable law enforcement agency (NON-confidential reporting entities).
- To file a **CONFIDENTIAL** report with the Counseling Center, Violence Prevention Office, or other campus confidential resource.
- To have all formal complaints investigated by the Title IX team and other appropriate campus officials (i.e. University Police).
- To be updated regularly regarding the status of the disciplinary case.
- To receive an explanation of the applicable charges against the respondent.
- To receive an explanation of the range of possible sanctions against the respondent as outlined in UWS Chapter 17.
- To provide input regarding possible sanctions in regard to the respondent.
- To be free from harassment, intimidation, or retaliation from the respondent(s) and others as you engage in this process.
- To provide testimony at a disciplinary hearing.
- To be accompanied or represented by an advisor of your choosing, which could include an attorney, at your own expense, throughout the disciplinary process as described in the applicable sections of the University of Wisconsin System Administrative Code Chapter 17.
- To have the same access to the proceedings as the respondent, including the ability to question witnesses.
- To be notified in writing of the outcome of the disciplinary process, to the extent allowed under federal laws and University policies.
- To seek counseling services through the University Counseling Center and advocacy through the Campus Violence Prevention Specialist.
- To pursue criminal or civil charges where a legal case exists (without University assistance).
- The right to appeal in writing to the chief administrative officer within 14 days of the date of decision of the investigating officer pursuant to s. UWS 17.11 (3) or the hearing committee or examiner pursuant to s. UWS 17.12 (4)(i). The appeal shall be based upon the record. The respondent shall be notified of the appeal.