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Sexual violence is epidemic in places meant to be bastions of opportunity, preventing young women and yes, young men, from a healthy academic pursuit.

- 11.2% percent of undergraduate and graduate students in the United States experience rape or sexual assault through physical force, violence, or incapacitation.
- 21% of LGBTQ college students have experienced sexual assault\(^1\).
- During their time in college, one in five women and one in 16 men are sexually assaulted.
- 40% of survivors of sexual violence fear reprisal by their attacker.
- An estimated 2% of incapacitated rape survivors report assault, compared with about 13% of rape survivors overall.
- 8 in 10 victims knew their attacker (friend, partner, etc.).
- Estimates suggest that between 2% and 7% of reports are false\(^2\).
- Research suggests that a significant portion of sexual violence occurs within the first 3 months of college attendance.

A nationwide problem, Missouri’s universities are no exception.

- According to the MU 2015 Campus Climate Survey, 32.8% of female undergraduates reported experiencing non-consensual penetration or sexual touching by force or incapacitation.
- UMKC’s 2015 Campus Climate Survey revealed 365 student reports of non-consensual incidents including attempted unwanted sexual contact, successful unwanted sexual contact, attempted sexual intercourse, sexual intercourse, dating/intimate partner violence, stalking, and sexual harassment. None of these—none—are acceptable.
- At Missouri S&T, there were 285 incidents of non-consensual sexual contact reported, including 118 involving sexual intercourse.

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1 Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network (RAINN): [Campus Sexual Violence Statistics](#)

2 It’s On Us Campus Organizing Tools, via the Association of Public and Land Grant Universities: [Guide](#).