FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT of STUDENT SUPPORT & TRANSITIONS

# How to Assist a Student of Concern

As a faculty or staff member, you play an important role in the lives of students on a daily basis. Whether serving as an instructor, advisor or mentor you are a critical resource and often the first to identify that a student may be experiencing challenges. Recognizing that some students openly share their problems with you, while others may be less forthcoming or not yet understand the complexity of their actions, your assistance in recognizing the signs that indicate the psychological or emotional distress and how to respond effectively, allows you to better advocate and support students. Additionally, being able to identify when an issue is academically related and better suited to be handled by the faculty/instructor of record or within the College is equally as important in assisting students to understand appropriate behaviors and expectations.

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| Student is making inappropriate comments/ disrupting class | Instructor should meet with the student to discuss specific directives or expectations outlined in the syllabusIf behavior continues instructor should refer student to DSST or SCCS depending upon nature of disruptions | Department of Student Support &Transitionsdsst@fsu.edu850-644-2428Student Conduct & CommunityStandardssccs@fsu.edu850-644-5136 |
| Student has not turned in assignments/logged into Canvas | Instructor should email student to check in, suggest a meeting via zoom, offer support and determine if additional campus supports are necessaryIf student indicates medical or mental health concerns refer to Case Management Services | Case Management Servicescasemanagement@fsu.edu850-644-9555 |
| Student sent me an email identifying stress/anxieties/mental health concerns | Instructor replies to student to ask if they are in need of campus supportsBased on student response (or lack of response) refer student to Case Management Services, University Counseling Center, and submit a report.fsu.edu | Case Management Servicescasemanagement@fsu.edu850-644-9555<http://report.fsu.edu>University Counseling Center850-644-TALK (8255)<https://counseling.fsu.edu/>University Health Services<http://uhs.fsu.edu>850-644-4567 |
| Student is presenting disorganized thoughts | Are the thoughts alarming or disturbing? If so, submit a report.fsu.edu and call DSSTConnect the student to the University Counseling CenterIf the disorganization appears to be time management, sleep deprivation, or the reason is unclear it is helpful for the faculty member to reach out to the student to inquire if everything is ok and if they can be off assistance. Often times the response to this type of email if helpful to know the most appropriate response | Department of Student Support & Transitionsdsst@fsu.edu850-644-2428<http://report.fsu.edu>University Counseling Center850-644-TALK (8255)<https://counseling.fsu.edu/>CHAW Wellness Coaching<http://chaw.fsu.edu>850-644-4567 |
| Student reports being a victim of acrime | Submit a report.fsu.edu, refer student to Victim Advocate Program for supportIf you determine that the information provided by the student involves a Title IX situation report information to Title IX office via report.fsu.edu | Victim Advocate Programvictim-advocate@fsu.edu850-644-7161 (24/7)<http://report.fsu.edu> |
| Student has reported something that may trigger my responsibility as amandatory reporter | Submit a report at report.fsu.eduRefer the student to the Victim Advocate Program | Victim Advocate Programvictim-advocate@fsu.edu850-644-7161 (24/7)<http://report.fsu.edu> |
| Student is demonstrating change in hygiene, changesto personality, lethargic/depressed affect | Reach out to the student and ask if they are available to meet with youIn meeting express a concern for student's wellbeing and ask if they would benefit from additional support from the university.Refer the student to Case Management Services and the University Counseling Center | Case Management Servicescasemanagement@fsu.edu850-644-9555University Counseling Center850-644-TALK (8255)<https://counseling.fsu.edu/>University Health Services<http://uhs.fsu.edu>850-644-4567 |