

What do students need to know about consent and sexual violence?

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- Only share information that is your own
- Challenge the idea, not the person
- Listen to others and raise your hand if you want to contribute
- If you feel overwhelmed at any point, you can take a break and leave the room, and re-join when you feel ready




Content Note:

Discussion around: sex, sexual violence, sexual harassment, harassment and discrimination.





What is sex? What should sex be?



Without being able to talk about sex, and what we feel it should be, then we won't have the language or understanding to talk about what consent, and sexual violence is and can be.

**What is sex?
What should sex be?**

Kind Understanding Respectful Creative Accessible
Joyful Bad Queer
Experimental Pleasurable Fun Communicative Hot
Fine Shame free
Enjoyable Work Explorative
Casual Collaborative Average Open
Consensual Equal Safe Intimate
Okay not to like / be interested in Monogamous / Non-monogamous Inclusive



What do *students* need to know about consent and sexual violence?



What were you taught about consent and sexual violence at University?



**What do you
wish you had
known?**





Consent & Tackling Sexual Violence

What is sex positivity?

- Centered around consensual sexual experiences that provide a space to learn and explore sexuality, gender without shame, guilt or judgement.
- Recognising that sex is not just penis – vagina penetration and everything else not being the ‘main act’.
- Sex positivity recognises that not all sexual experiences and interactions are positive and that not everybody will like or be interested in sex.





What is consent?

How the law defines ‘consent’



Under English and Welsh law, someone consents to sex or other sexual activity when they agree to it by **choice** and have both the **freedom** and **capacity** to make that choice.

Rape Crisis England and Wales



Initiator

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**I give
consent**



Responder



Or

**I do not give
consent**

What does it mean to practice consent?

Getting consent is a legal thing. **Practicing consent is a human thing.**



No.

How to say it, and
how to hear it.



Feeling rejected vs being rejected



Privilege & Power



Sexual Violence

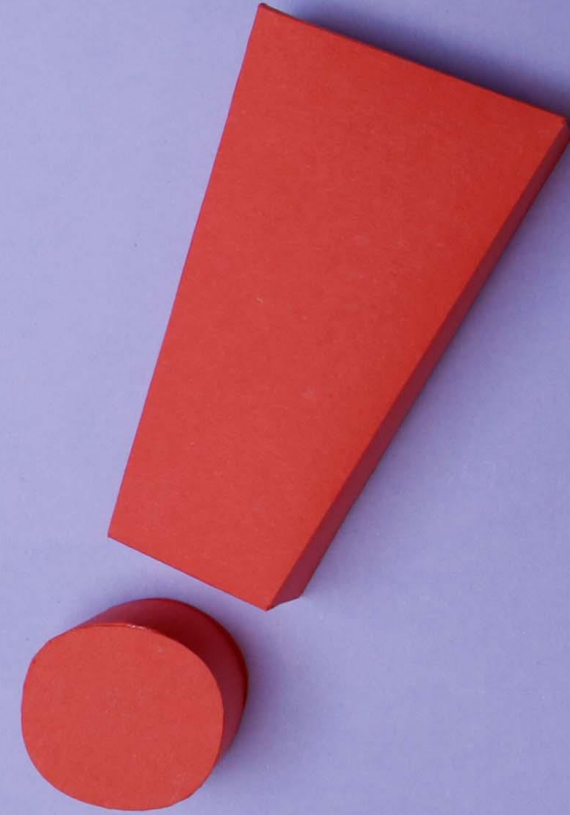
Sexual violence is any kind of sexual activity or act that took place without consent.



Content Note:

Specific forms of sexual violence are written on the next slide.

Feel free to look away, go on your phone or step outside.



Forms of Sexual Violence

Cyber flashing
(including dick pics)

Rape

Groping

Forced
marriage

Spiking

Indecent exposure /
'flashing'

Sexual Exploitation

Assault by penetration

Sexual coercion

Child sexual abuse

Sexual Harassment

Stalking

Female Genital Mutilation
(FGM)

Stealthing

Sexual Assault

This is not a full list. Just because something isn't included here doesn't mean it isn't sexual violence.

Grooming

Upskirting

Image based
abuse



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The Pyramid of Sexual Violence

Explicit Violence

Removal of autonomy

Normalisation of Violence

Attitudes & Beliefs

Racism

Colonialism

Sexism

Homophobia

Ableism



Male gendered violence



What is Rape Culture?



Responses to Trauma





What can you do?

Support Information & Organisations



Thank you.

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