**Syllabus Statement Example Language**

**Syllabus Statement Guidelines or Considerations: Mental Health, Mandatory Reporting, Campus Resources**

Below are some examples of statements that could be included on your syllabi or website to remind students about mental health resources and that you are a mandated reporter under [NDSU Policy 156.10](https://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/policy/156.pdf) and [NDSU Policy 162.7](https://www.ndsu.edu/fileadmin/policy/162.pdf). Including information about campus resources and policy can go a long way toward reinforcing the message that NDSU cares about student well-being and does not tolerate discrimination, harassment, retaliation, sexual misconduct, or intimate partner violence.

If you have questions about the materials below or would like more information please visit <https://www.ndsu.edu/presidentscouncil/work_groups/sexual_assault_response_education/campus_and_community_resources/> or <https://www.ndsu.edu/presidentscouncil/work_groups/sexual_assault_response_education/>.

You may also contact:

Dr. Amber Bach-Gorman, Assistant Director of NDSU Counseling Center, amber.bach@ndsu.edu or 701-231-7671

Dr. Emily Frazier, Assistant Dean of Students, emily.frazier@ndsu.edu or 701-231-8406

Heather Higgins-Dochtermann, Director of Equal Opportunity and Title IX Compliance, heather.higginsdocht@ndsu.edu or 701-231-7107

Megan Talcott, Sexual Assault Prevention and Advocacy Coordinator, megan.talcott@ndsu.edu or 701-231-5733

**Space Saver Option**

College students often experience situations that may interfere with academic success such as academic stress, sleep problems, juggling responsibilities, life events, relationship concerns, or feelings of anxiety, hopelessness, or depression. If you or a friend is struggling, I strongly encourage you to seek support. Helpful, effective resources are available on campus. You can learn more about the broad range of services available on campus at <https://www.ndsu.edu/deanofstudents/basicneeds/physical_and_mental_health/>.

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**Streamlined with Resources Option**

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If you, or someone you know, would like to talk about an experience of discrimination, harassment, retaliation, or sexual misconduct or violence but do not want that information reported to the university you are encouraged to contact the confidential resources listed below.

**Sexual Assault Prevention and Advocacy**

 Wallman Wellness Center suite 102

ndsu.edu/studenthealthservice/sapa

701-231-7331

**Student Health Service**

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**Counseling Center**

 1919 N University Drive (May 2022-May 2023)

Ceres Hall 212

ndsu.edu/counseling

701-231-7671

**Office of the Ombudsperson (if they are grad students)**

 Main Library room 20C

Ndsu.edu/ombud

701-231-5114

**Rape and Abuse Crisis Center (community resource)**

317 8th St N

raccfm.com/

800-344-7273

If you or someone you know has experienced discrimination, harassment, retaliation, or sexual misconduct or violence and would like to file a report with the university, you may do so via the EOTIX online report form or by contacting any of the departments below.

**Equal Opportunity and Title IX Compliance Office**

Old Main suite 201

ndsu.edu/equity OR ndsu.edu/equity/filing\_a\_report\_or\_complaint/

701-231-7708

**Dean of Students Office**

Old Main suite 100

ndsu.edu/deanofstudents/

701-231-7701

**Personalized Option**

As your instructor, I care about your academic performance and your overall well-being. College students often experience situations that may interfere with academic success such as academic stress, sleep problems, juggling responsibilities, life events, relationship concerns, or feelings of anxiety, hopelessness, or depression. If you or a friend is struggling, I strongly encourage you to seek support. Helpful, effective resources are available on campus and in our community. If you are struggling with this class, please visit during office hours or contact me to request an appointment. If I can help connect you with a resource, please reach out to me. You can learn more about the broad range of services available on campus at <https://www.ndsu.edu/deanofstudents/basicneeds/physical_and_mental_health/>.

College can be challenging but it shouldn’t be overwhelming. Experiencing sexual misconduct or harassment (either during college or before) can have a profound impact on your well-being. I want to support you during your time in my class and at NDSU, and I also want students to understand my reporting requirements as an employee. As an employee of NDSU I am mandated to report anytime I have knowledge that a student has experienced sexual misconduct or harassment (NDSU Policy 156.10 and NDSU Policy 162.7). This could include sexual assault, sexual harassment, dating violence and/or stalking, as well as discrimination, harassment, or retaliation. If you disclose an experience of any of the above, whether it is through a conversation, email, paper, discussion post, office hours, etc. I am required to report that information the Equal Opportunity and Title IX Compliance Office (EOTIX). Following a report to EOTIX, a staff member will contact the student who has experienced violence to provide information and campus resources. You do NOT have to speak with EOTIX or file a formal complaint to receive supportive measures on campus. Working with EOTIX is *100% your choice*. I provide this information not to discourage you from reaching out, but because I believe it is important that you understand my requirements prior to disclosing so that you have the information to make choices that are best for you and your experience at NDSU.

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