

Coronavirus-related Resources

GSAS

<https://gsas.harvard.edu/coronavirus>

Harvard University is closely monitoring the ongoing Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak. The health, safety, and well-being of the GSAS community, on and off campus, is our top priority. We are following the advice of Harvard University and Harvard University Health Services, which are continuously monitoring information from local health officials, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO). The link contains many coronavirus-related resources, amendments to University policies, etc.

General Academic / Career-related Resources

Academic Resource Center

<https://academicresourcecenter.harvard.edu/>

The Academic Resource Center (ARC) at Harvard University exists to support the academic mission of Harvard College and the GSAS by ensuring every student has full access to the transformative power of a liberal arts and sciences education. The ARC is committed to empowering students to reach their full academic potential in an inclusive and equitable academic environment. Using evidence-based methods and drawing on recent research in learning assistance, the ARC supports Harvard's students in developing reading strategies, time management skills, and metacognitive approaches to learning. Students will have access to consultations, workshops, academic coaching, peer tutoring, and skills-based resources.

The staff at the ARC collaborate closely with each student's advising network. At the ARC, you can expect to find workshops to help you develop time management skills, plan your semester, enhance your reading and retention, and approach your problem sets. You can learn more about your ideal learning styles and environments, how to customize your semester if you are returning from leave, and how to find and connect to instructional support opportunities with your instructors and courses. The ARC can support you if you are recovering from a concussion, resetting mid-semester, or writing your thesis. You can explore all of this and more through workshops or one-on-one coaching. If you have questions about other resources available, the staff at the ARC can direct you and connect you with them.

Office of Career Services

<https://ocs.fas.harvard.edu/>

The Office of Career Services is dedicated to educating, advising, and connecting students to opportunities for summer and post-graduation in order to foster their intellectual, social, and personal transformations.

Counseling and Mental Health Services

<https://camhs.huhs.harvard.edu/>

CAMHS is a counseling and mental health support service which seeks to work collaboratively with students and the university to support individuals who are experiencing some measure of distress in their lives. At CAMHS, students may receive comprehensive outpatient care for a variety of concerns, including anxiety, depression, stress, crisis management, transitional issues, grief, and eating, sexual, or relationship concerns.

Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning

<https://bokcenter.harvard.edu/>

By supporting experimentation, innovation, and evidence-based practices, the Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning seeks to create transformational learning experiences for faculty, graduate students, and undergraduates in Harvard's Faculty of Arts and Sciences.

The Bok center offers a wide variety of useful programs and workshops, including training for Teaching Fellows, one-on-one consultations, help with scholarly writing, etc. See <https://bokcenter.harvard.edu/graduate-students> for more information.

Harvard International Office (HIO)

<https://hio.harvard.edu/>

The HIO is part of the University's Central Administration and offers services to international students and scholars at Harvard College, the graduate and professional schools, as well as the numerous research centers and affiliated teaching hospitals, to minimize the difficulties they may experience both upon arrival and later during their stay at Harvard.

Resources Related to Professional Misconduct

Title IX Harvard

<https://titleix.harvard.edu/>

If you have a concern about something that may have happened to you, or that you may have observed or heard about in the community, you are encouraged to share your concern with a Title IX Coordinator in your School or unit. Title IX Coordinators have expertise and are positioned to help address disclosures of sexual and gender-based discrimination in the Harvard community.

Sharing information with the Title IX Coordinator is not the same as filing a formal complaint with the Office for Dispute Resolution (ODR). As described in the Policy, it is ordinarily up to you to decide whether you wish to file a formal complaint, although in very rare circumstances, where a community safety concern has arisen, the Title IX Coordinator may need to take steps to initiate a formal complaint with ODR.

Title IX Coordinators can:

- Provide information about available resources
- Help arrange interim measures — the supports that help members of the Harvard community continue with their studies and work and to participate in campus life
- Facilitate informal resolution, as appropriate, between the involved parties, with a goal of memorializing a mutually acceptable resolution in writing
- Provide information on the [Sexual and Gender-Based Harassment Policy](#) and the applicable Procedures, as well as any additional School or unit policies
- Provide information about the formal complaint process

Title IX Coordinators have a neutral role. They are specially trained to handle sensitive information relating to incidents of possible sexual harassment, including sexual assault, with appropriate discretion and to help arrange interim support measures that might help enable an individual to continue with studies or work and take advantage of all that Harvard has to offer. Coordinators also facilitate access to confidential resources.

While conversations with Title IX Coordinators are not confidential, they will handle any information that you provide with the utmost discretion and sensitivity and will share it with others only on a need-to-know basis. For example, Title IX Coordinators may need to share some information in order to implement interim measures.

Office of Sexual Assault Prevention & Response

<https://osapr.harvard.edu/>

The Office of Sexual Assault Prevention & Response is open to the entire Harvard community, where people can process and understand their experiences and feel empowered to make the choices best suited to their needs. Every staff member at OSAPR is a certified rape-crisis counselor, and committed to the just and compassionate treatment of survivors and their friends, peers, significant others, and allies. OSAPR is a resource not only for those who have directly experienced gender-based or sexual harassment, including sexual assault, but also for those who are supporting others. OSAPR fosters collaborative relationships between campus and community partners to ensure a survivor-centered, multi-faceted approach to service provision and primary prevention.

Conversations with OSAPR staff members who are providing services as a sexual assault counselor, a domestic violence counselor, or under a clinical license are privileged under the law, meaning that the staff members are prohibited from disclosing what an individual has shared with them, even in a legal proceeding, unless the individual has given them permission.

In addition, Harvard has designated OSAPR staff members, when providing services beyond those in their capacity as a sexual assault or domestic violence counselor or under a clinical license, as “confidential” resources; this means that they do not need to share information with a Title IX Coordinator when they learn about potential incidents of sexual or gender-based harassment. However, if there is a criminal investigation or another type of external investigation or proceeding, OSAPR staff members may be

required to reveal information that was shared with them when providing services beyond those in their capacity as a sexual assault or domestic violence counselor or under a clinical license.

Office of Dispute Resolution

<https://odr.harvard.edu/>

The Office for Dispute Resolution (ODR) is a neutral body that impartially investigates and resolves sexual and gender-based harassment complaints against students, staff, and, with most Schools, faculty. ODR investigations are handled by professional investigators working with the involved Schools and Units. Any member of the Harvard community may visit ODR to request information or advice, including assistance in seeking an informal resolution or in filing a formal complaint. While conversations with ODR staff members are not confidential, they will handle any information that you provide with the utmost discretion and sensitivity and will share it with others only on a need-to-know basis.

Harvard University Ombudsman

<https://ombudsman.harvard.edu/>

Students, faculty, staff, and retirees may contact the University Ombudsman Office for help in managing and resolving workplace and/or academic issues. The Office is independent from University administration and works in an informal manner on a variety of issues including sexual harassment. The Ombudsman can provide information about policies and resources and help you in identifying and assessing options for next steps.

Harvard has designated the Ombudsman Office as “confidential” resources, which means that the Ombudsman and the Longwood Ombuds do not need to notify a Title IX Coordinator when they learn about potential incidents of sexual or gender-based harassment. However, if there is a criminal investigation or another type of external investigation or proceeding, the Ombudsman and Longwood Ombuds may be required to reveal information that was shared with them.

Harvard Graduate Student Union

<http://harvardgradunion.org/>

The Harvard Graduate Student Union (HGSU) includes a grievance committee which can provide representation to students for all workplace-related issues including problems with compensation, harassment, discrimination as well as applying for emergency funds