



St. Bonaventure University Campus Climate Survey 2020 Executive Summary

Survey Administration

Consistent with New York State Education Law 129-B, during the 2020 spring semester St. Bonaventure University administered its third, confidential on-line sexual assault and misconduct climate survey to students. A survey link was sent to 1,835 full and part-time, graduate and undergraduate students. The survey allows St. Bonaventure University to gather information to help better understand attitudes about the campus climate regarding sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking, knowledge of college resources available to students, and perceptions and experiences related to sexual and relationship violence. Responses provide the University with critical insights to help protect and support members of the St. Bonaventure University community. Data is used to improve responses to sexual and relationship violence and develop prevention programs.

A total of 288 students responded to the 2020 survey, down from previous years due to the shortened semester as a result of the pandemic. A breakdown of those responding is below.

Residence	%
On Campus	76.24%
Off Campus	16.31%
Commuter	7.45%

Year	%
First Year	28.63%
Sophomore	30.39%
Junior	16.25%
Senior	13.07%
Graduate	11.66%

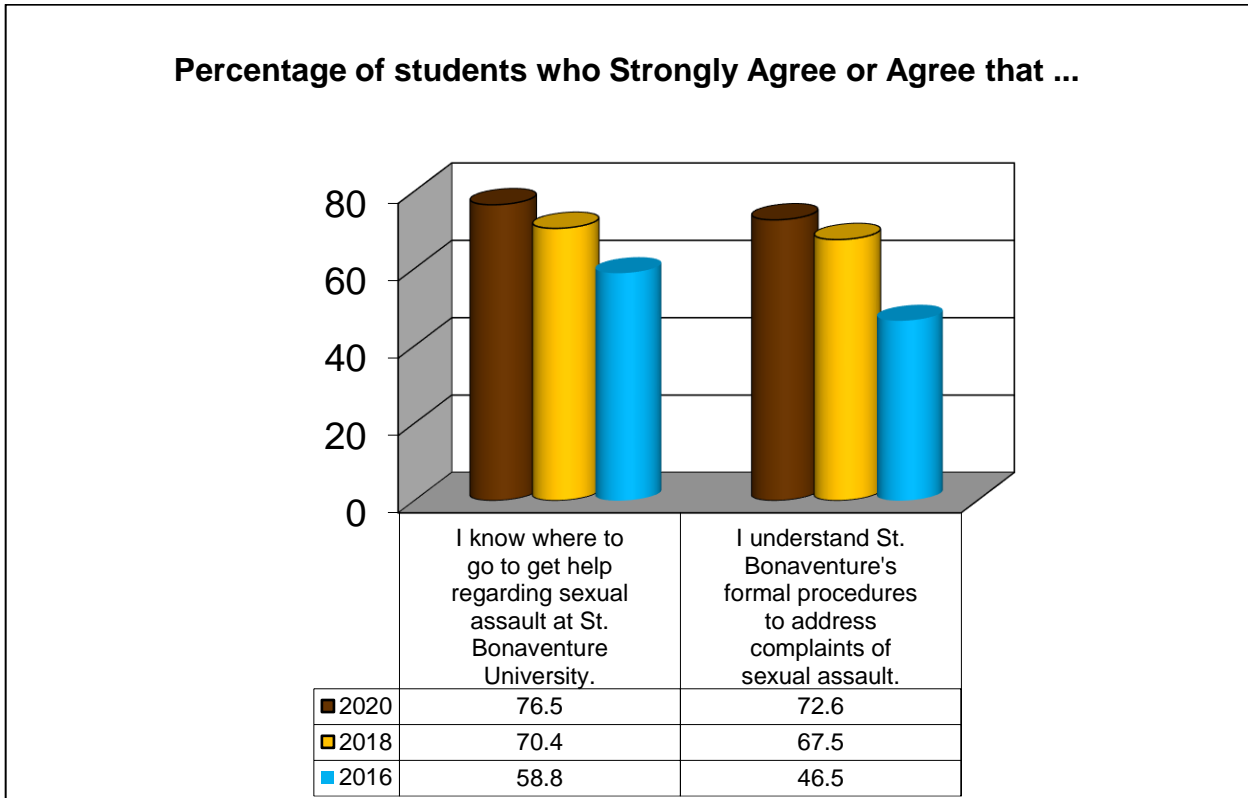
Gender Identity	%
Male	34.72%
Female	63.89%
Other	1.39%

Race/Ethnicity	%
Hispanic/Latinx	4.86%
Black or African American (non-Hispanic)	5.56%
White/Caucasian (non-Hispanic)	81.94%
Native American Indian or Alaskan	0.00%
Asian	5.21%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.35%
Other	2.08%

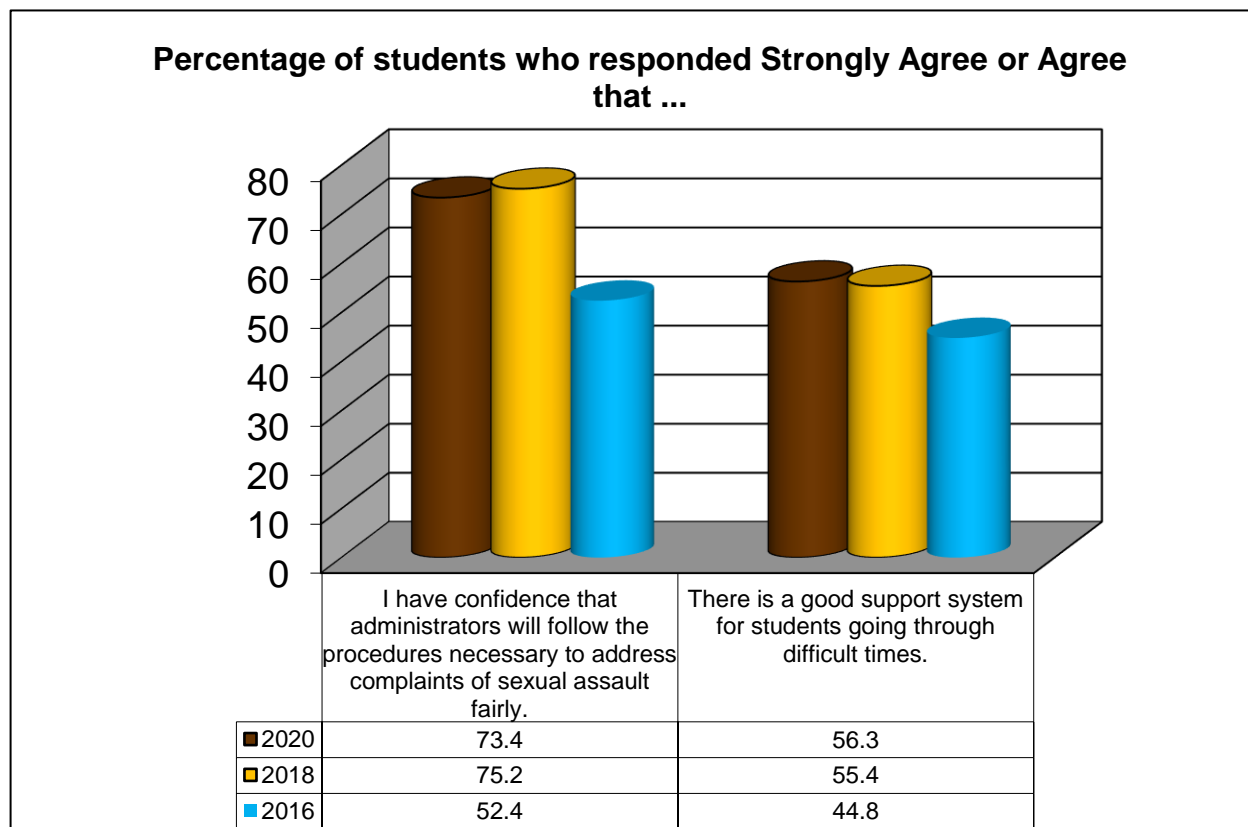
Sexual Orientation	%
Asexual	2.81%
Bisexual	5.96%
Gay	0.70%
Heterosexual/Straight	85.96%
Lesbian	1.42%
Pansexual	1.40%
Other	1.75%

Comparison Data (2016, 2018, 2020)

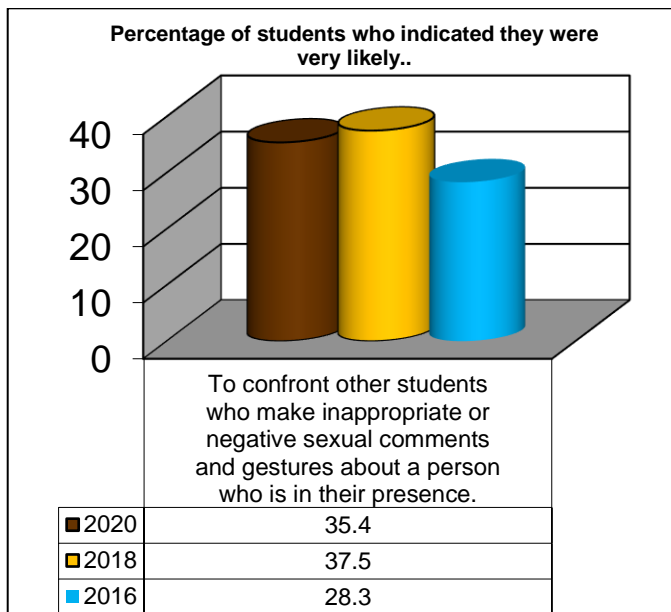
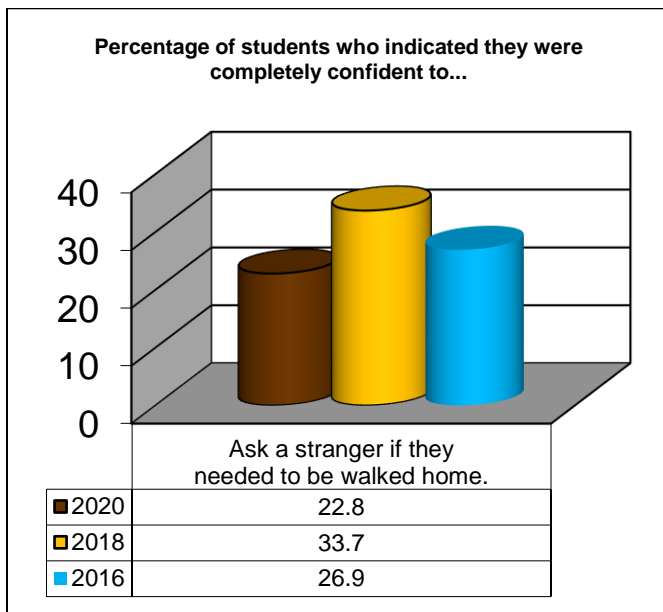
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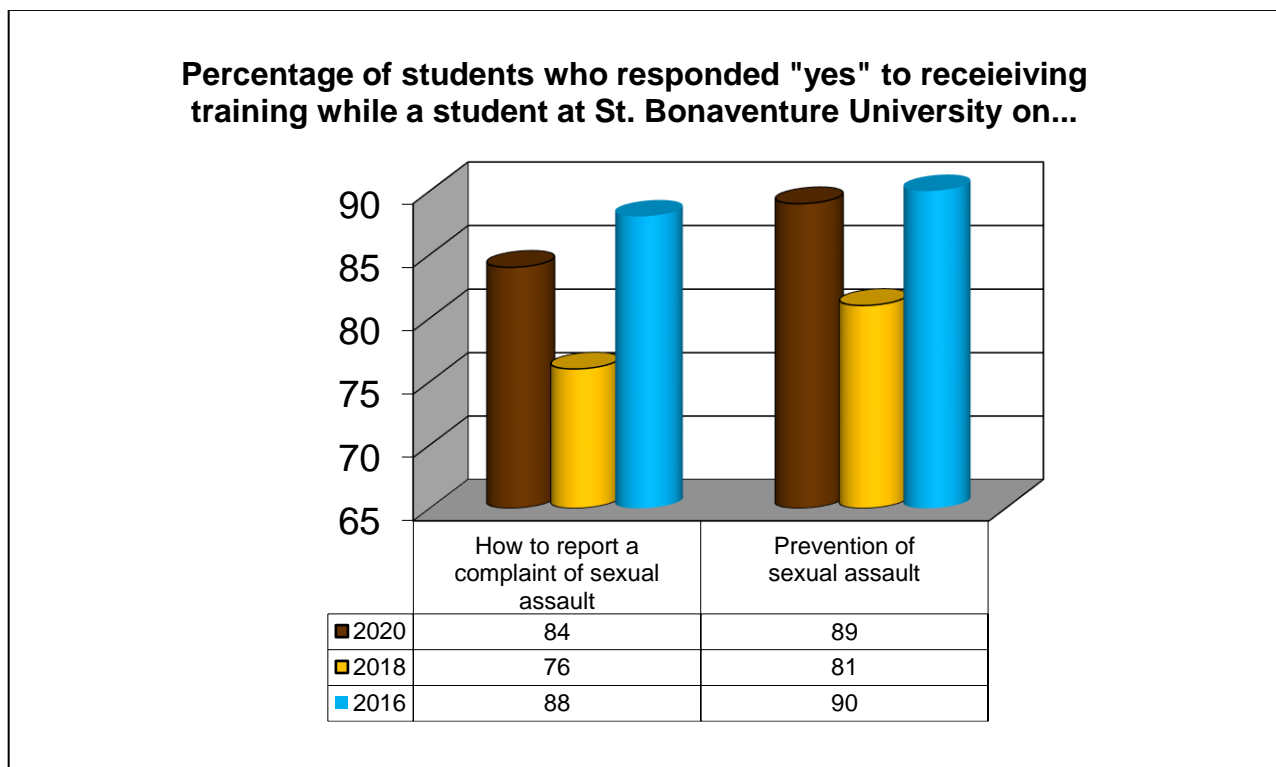
Students' Perspectives

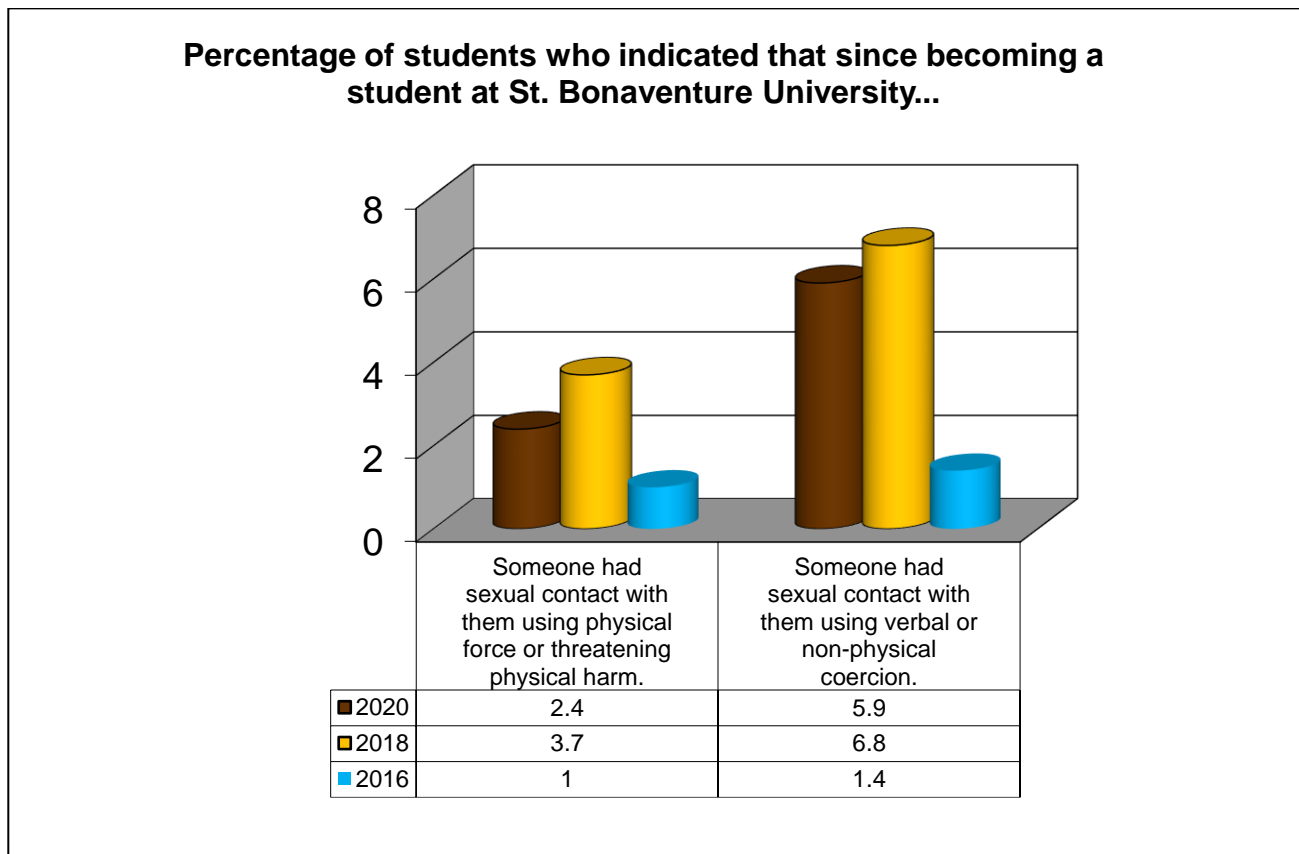


Bystander Behaviors



Training/Education





Key Findings Summary

The 2020 survey results and longitudinal data were reviewed by the Title IX Committee, the Student Affairs Board of Trustees Committee and the St. Bonaventure University Coordinated Community Response Team for Sexual Assault/Misconduct. St. Bonaventure University has taken an active and focused approach towards increasing training and improving student knowledge of available university resources, and perceptions and experiences related to sexual and relationship violence. Suggestions about how St. Bonaventure University can reduce the incidence of sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking and/or enhance the educational training and support the University offers, please contact the Title IX Coordinator, Leslie Carlson at 716.375.2143 (carlson@sbu.edu) or the Vice President for Student Affairs, Kathryn O'Brien at 716.375.2011 (kobrien@sbu.edu).

Significant increases in positive responses are evident in student perspectives with respect to knowledge of policies and the University's response to complaints, with those areas showing a positive increase ranging from 11%-26% from 2016 to 2020. Although student understanding of the University's formal procedures to address complaints of sexual assault increased from 46.5% positive response in 2016 to 72.6% in 2020, this is an area identified for further enhanced training and education, especially in light of the new Title IX regulations. There were slight decreases in the percentage of students responding they would engage in bystander behaviors. We will continue to strengthen bystander engagement on campus through training designed to encourage safe and positive intervention techniques and by empowering third-party intervention and prevention such as calling for help, using intervention-based apps, identifying allies and/or creating distractions. During the 2020-2021 academic year, the University will be implementing Bringing in the Bystander training in an effort to strengthen bystander student behaviors. This area will be continuously monitored for improvement.

In 2018 students reported a 10% average decrease in receiving training in reporting a complaint and the prevention of sexual assault. Since the 2018-2019 academic year, St. Bonaventure has focused on strengthening our strategies and initiatives to provide additional awareness, educational, risk reduction and prevention programming across campus. The increases reported in 2020 indicate that moving back to and increasing in-person training sessions versus the on-line training methods utilized during the past two academic years has been beneficial. Support services is an area targeted for additional resources. A part-time advocate is budgeted for the 2020-2021 academic year to strengthen services to students. Response data on the prevalence of sexual assault and misconduct showed a slight decrease, but still higher than reported in 2016.

Ongoing Initiatives to Address Sexual Assault and Misconduct

St. Bonaventure University remains committed to addressing prevention, education and responses to sexual assault/misconduct on campus. Our efforts remain focused on increasing training and improving student knowledge of available university resources, and perceptions and experiences related to sexual and relationship violence.

Training and Prevention Programming

In an effort to reduce the risk of gender-based discrimination and sexual misconduct occurring on campus and among community members, St. Bonaventure University utilizes a range of campaigns, strategies and initiatives to provide awareness, education, risk reduction and prevention programming.

Specifically for students, the University requires students to complete annual on-line training through Everfi. Everfi's Sexual Assault Prevention (SAP) Suite engages students as they progress through their time at the University, fosters healthy relationships, and prepares them to recognize and respond to sexual assault and harassment when it occurs. Everfi's Sexual Assault Prevention Program provides information about:

- sexual violence, relationship violence, and stalking,
- alternatives for intervening in situations you see happening and supporting friends and other members of our community, and
- resources both on and off campus.

In the fall of 2020, the University began utilizing **Bringing in the Bystander**[®] curriculum to teach student bystanders how to safely intervene in instances where sexual violence, relationship violence or stalking may be occurring or where there may be risk that it will occur. This program is required for first year students during Welcome Days, with several additional sessions throughout the academic year for athletes, clubs and organizations, and interested students.

In addition to the above programs, education and awareness continues throughout the academic year with ongoing events including, but not limited to: National Domestic Violence Awareness Month Information Tabling, In Their Shoes, Take Back the Night, Clothesline Project, One Love Amor del Bueno, Behind the Post, Affirmative Consent Workshops, Spin to Win Relationship Trivia, and Love Song Trivia.

Awareness Campaigns

- Know Your Power: "**Know Your Power**" **Bystander Social Marketing Campaign** was developed by the University of New Hampshire. The campaign consists of a series of images which portray realistic and thought-provoking scenarios that highlight the important role all members of the community have in ending sexual assault, relationship violence, and stalking. The program focuses on reducing sexual and relationship violence and stalking on college campuses.
- One Love: **One Love** educates young people about healthy and unhealthy relationships, empowering them to identify and avoid abuse and learn how to love better.