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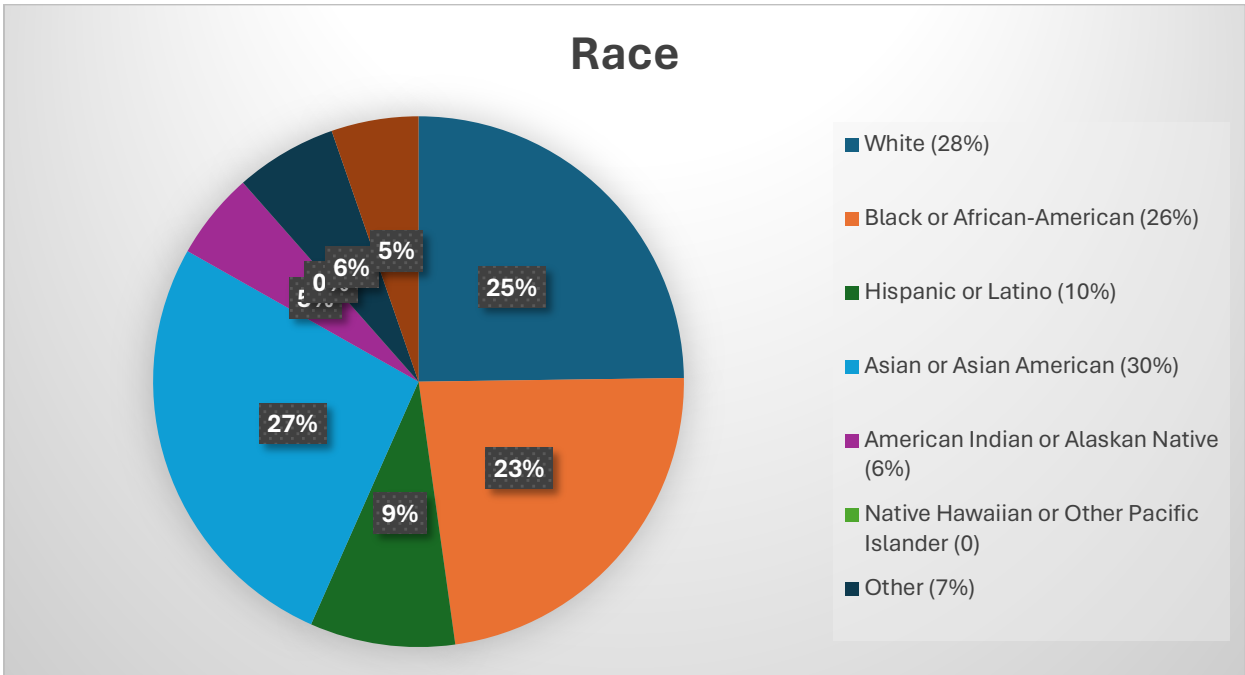
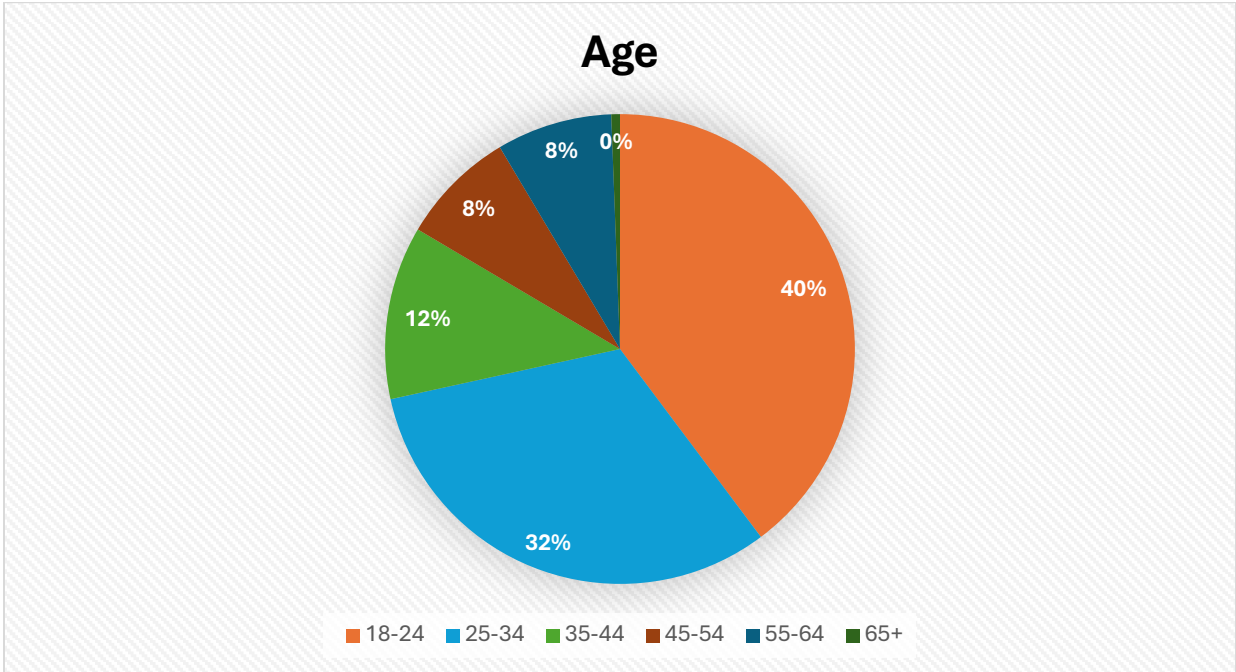
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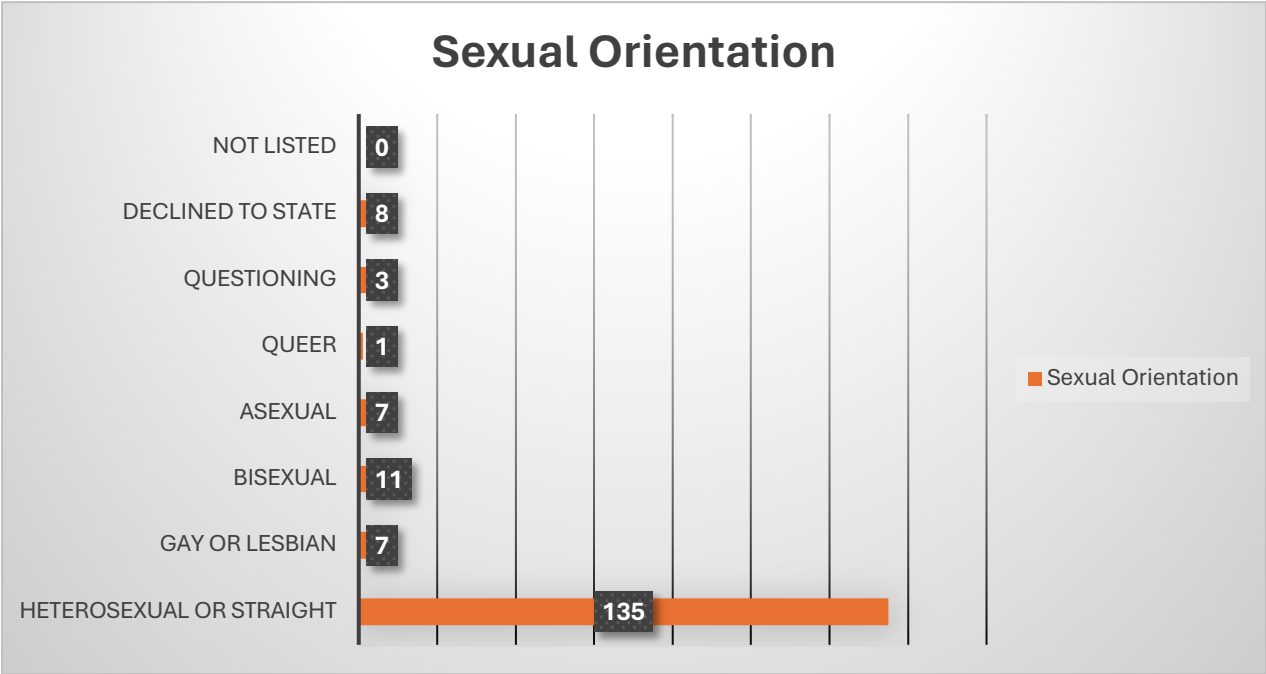
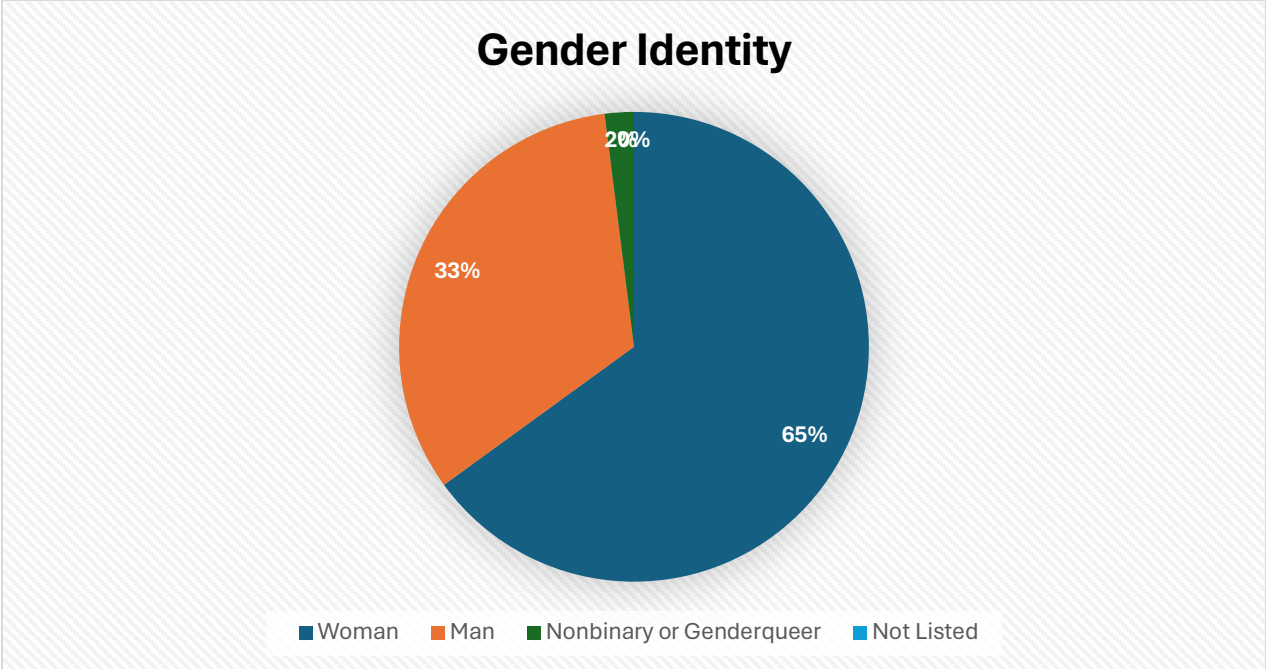
General Survey Information

CT Public Act 21-81 requires that each University in the state of Connecticut conduct a campus climate assessment every two years, and then share the results of the survey on the University's website. University of Bridgeport created its own Campus Climate Survey in early 2024, then launched the survey in April 2024. The goal of the survey was to gather data around sexual misconduct experiences and awareness in higher education.

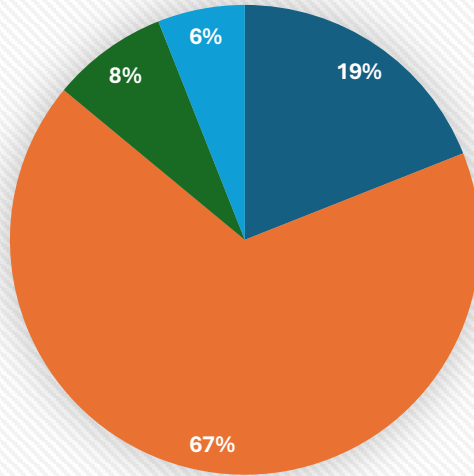
When the survey was launched, it was sent via email to all University of Bridgeport Students. In addition, flyers were posted around campus physically and digitally throughout the month. UB received 171 responses to the Campus Climate Survey. The survey contained 48 questions covering demographic data, awareness of resources, perceptions of UB's climate, a knowledge check around sexual misconduct policies and procedures at UB, and questions about the student experience.

Demographic Data



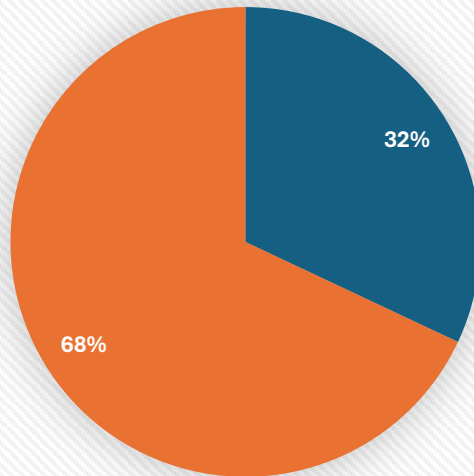


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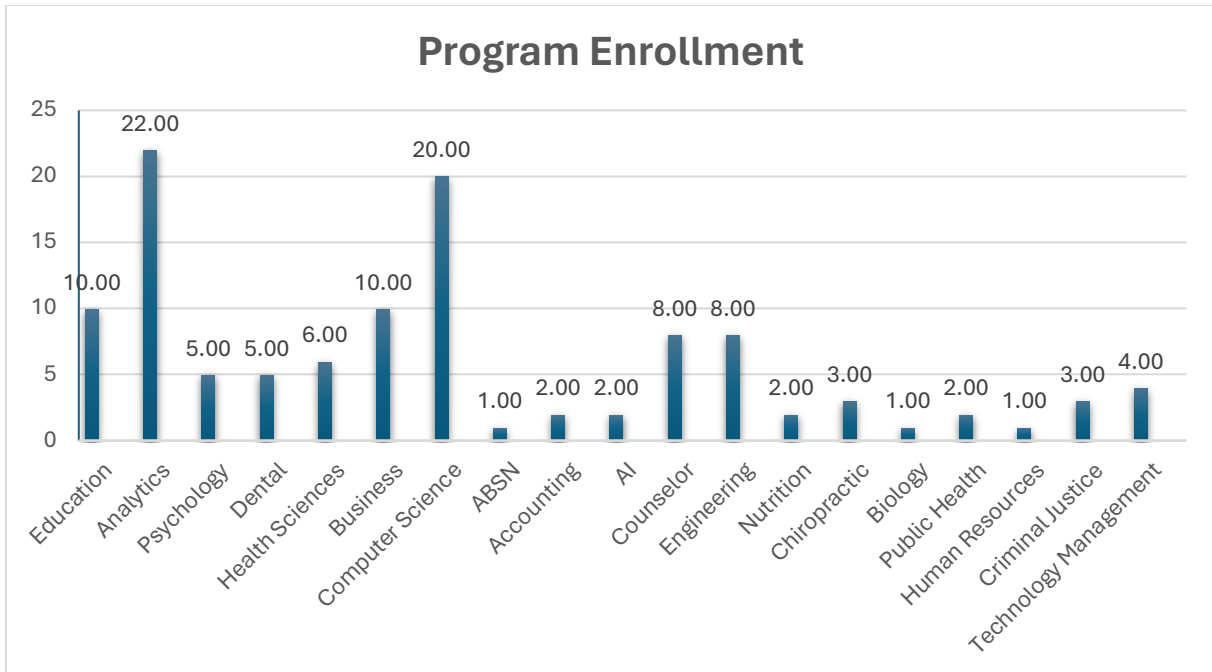


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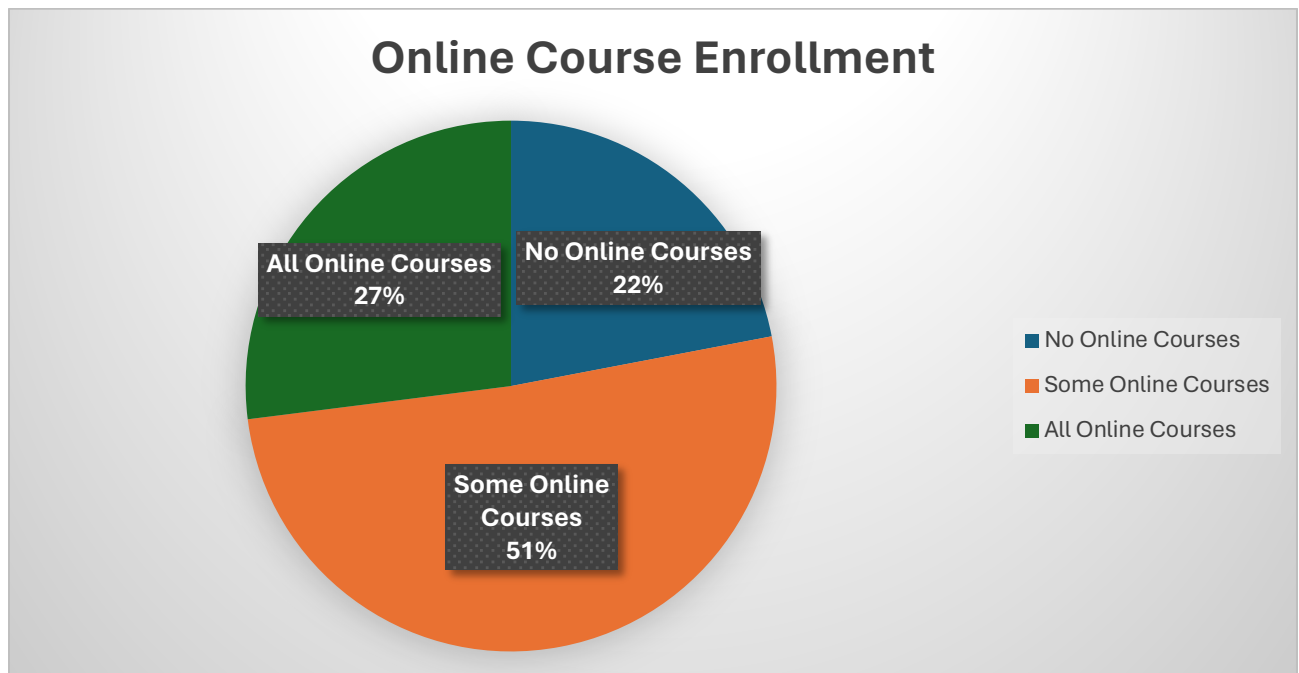
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■ Undergrad ■ Grad



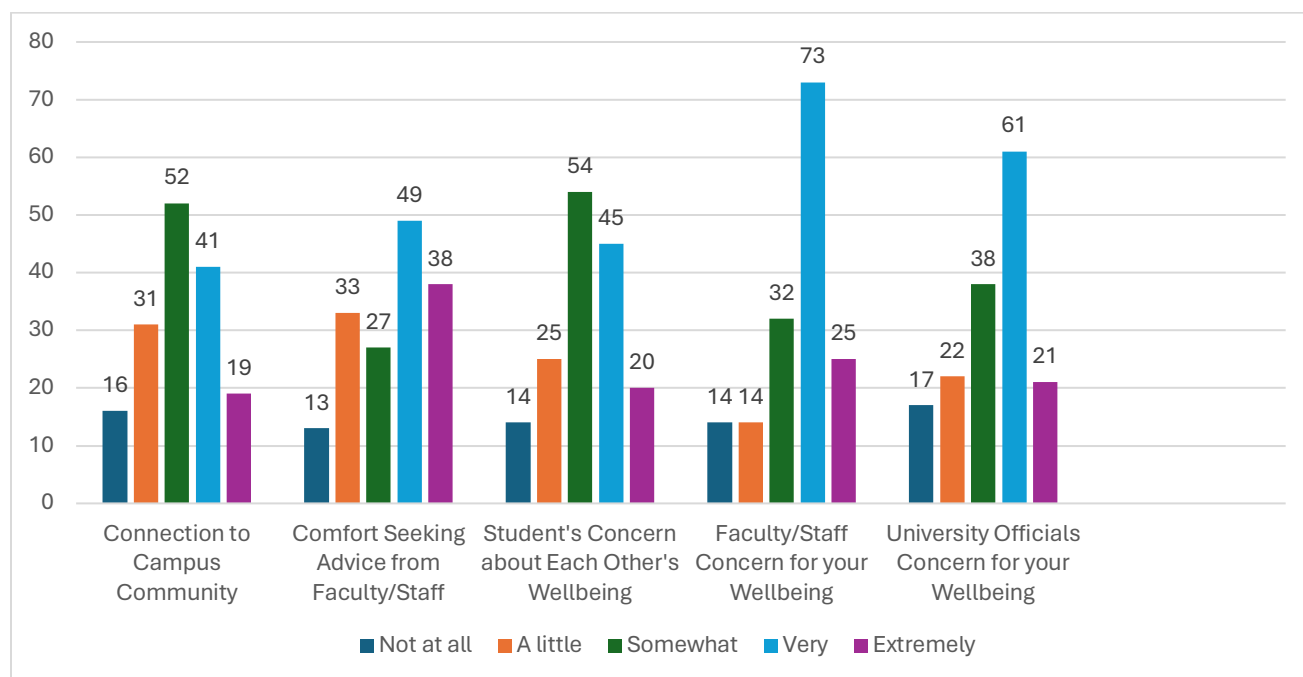
54 (32%) of survey takers are in undergraduate programs, while 117 (68%) are in graduate programs.



Perceptions of University of Bridgeport's Climate

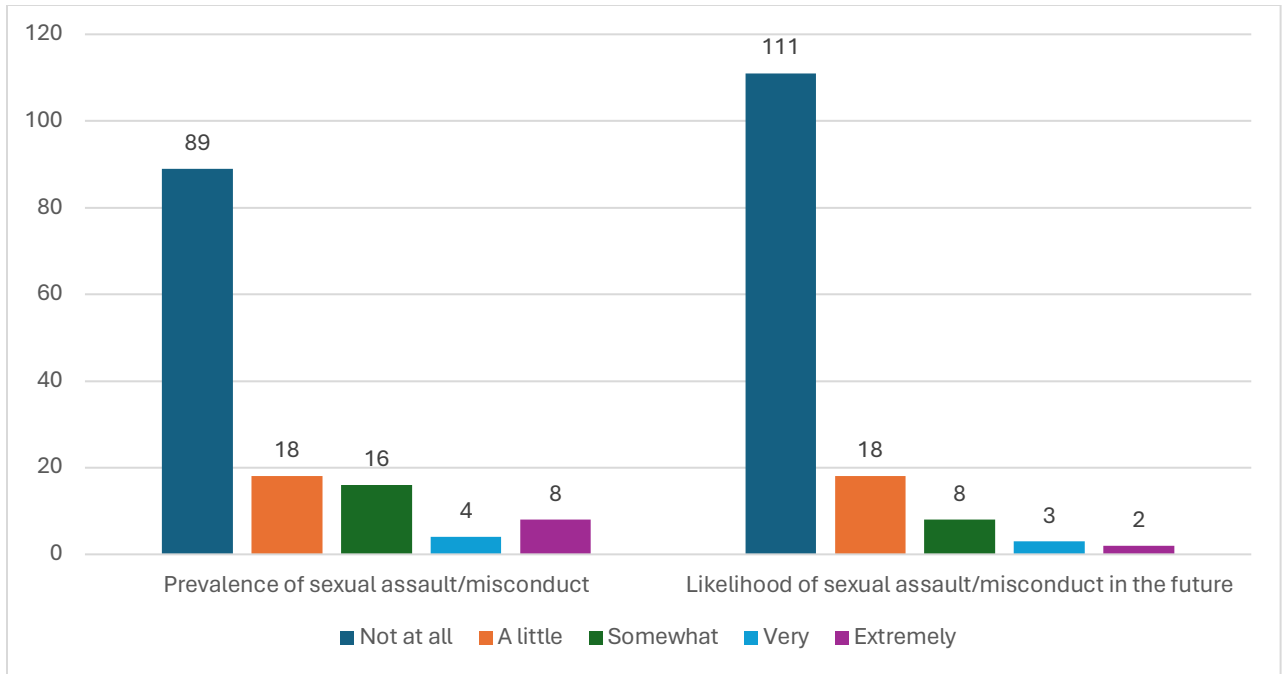
Next, the survey asked a series of questions regarding the survey takers' perception of University of Bridgeport's Climate. These include:

- How connected do you feel to the campus community at University of Bridgeport as a whole?
- How comfortable are you seeking advice from faculty or staff at University of Bridgeport, even about something personal?
- How concerned are students at University of Bridgeport about each other's well-being?
- How concerned are faculty or staff at University of Bridgeport about your well-being?
- How concerned are university officials at University of Bridgeport about your well-being?



The following questions assess the survey takers' perception of sexual assault and sexual misconduct at University of Bridgeport.

- How problematic is sexual assault or other sexual misconduct at University of Bridgeport?
- How likely do you think it is that you will experience sexual assault or sexual misconduct in the future while enrolled at University of Bridgeport?



Knowledge Check

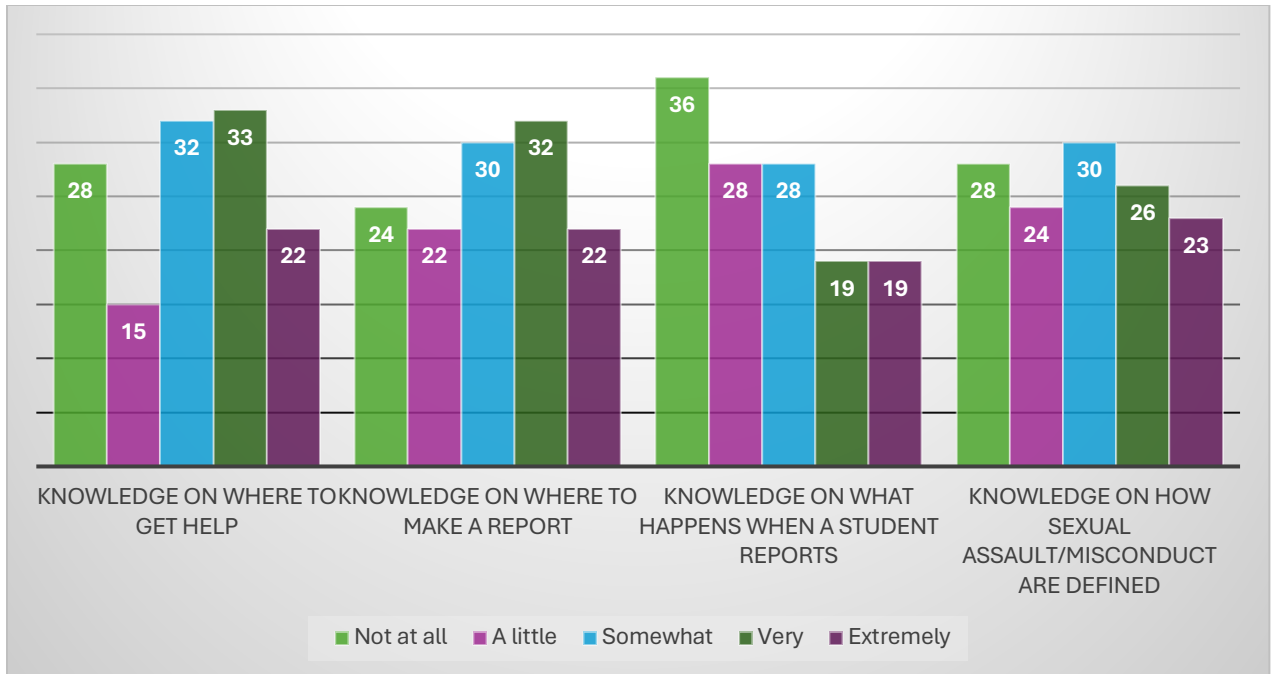
The survey then asked takers questions regarding resources and University policy and procedure around sexual misconduct.

The first question asked survey takers, “Are you aware of the services and resources provided by the following?” then listed the below services. The number of survey takers aware of the services and resources provided by the following:

- Student Accessibility: 85
- Counseling Services: 87
- Student Conduct: 50
- Student Activities: 67
- Veteran Services: 36
- Office of Civil Rights Compliance: 37
- Campus Safety: 95
- Student Support Services: 76
- Student Health Services: 91

The following questions assess the survey takers' perception of sexual assault and sexual misconduct reporting at University of Bridgeport.

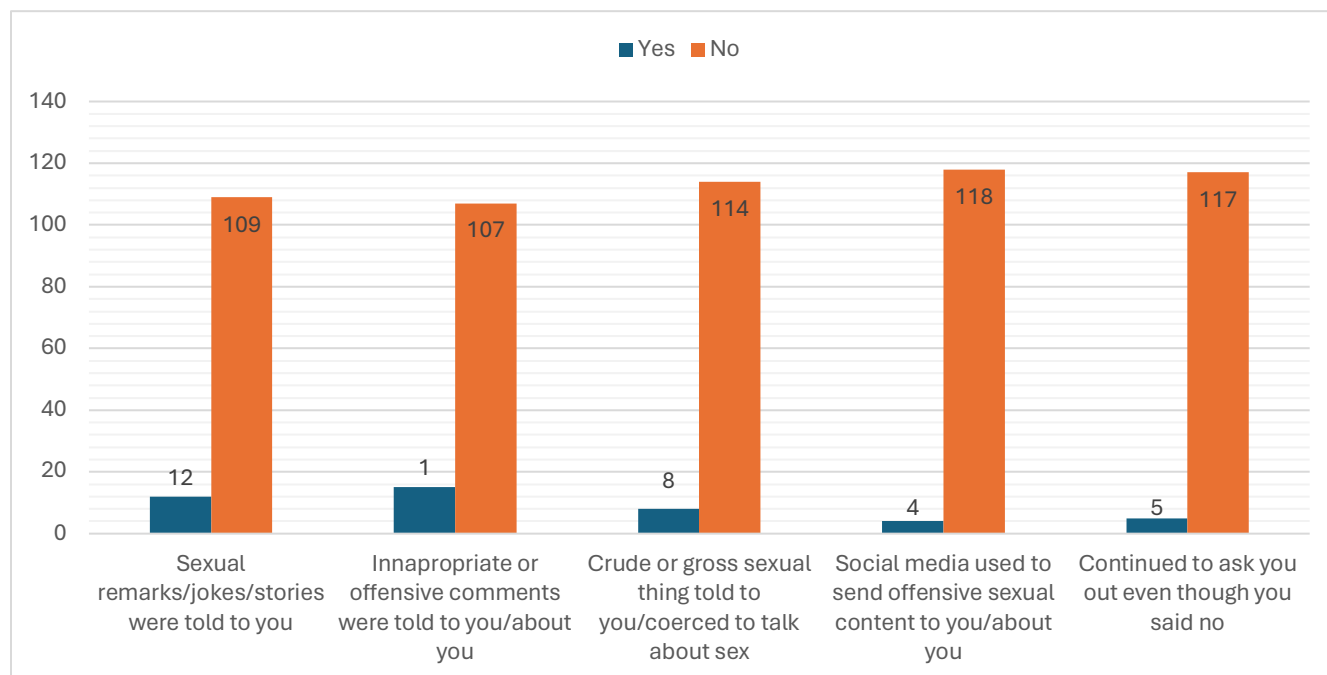
- How knowledgeable are you about where to get help at University of Bridgeport if you or a friend experienced sexual assault and other sexual misconduct?
- How knowledgeable are you about where to make a report of sexual assault and other sexual misconduct at University of Bridgeport?
- How knowledgeable are you about what happens when a student reports an incident of sexual assault and other sexual misconduct at University of Bridgeport?
- How knowledgeable are you about how sexual assault and other sexual misconduct are defined at University of Bridgeport?



Campus Experiences

The following questions assess the survey takers' experience of specific sexual misconduct scenarios.

- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, has a student, or someone employed or otherwise associated with University of Bridgeport made sexual remarks or told sexual jokes or sexual stories that were insulting or offensive to you?
- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, has a student, or someone employed or otherwise associated with University of Bridgeport made inappropriate or offensive comments about you or someone else's body, appearance, or sexual activities?
- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, has a student, or someone employed or otherwise associated with University of Bridgeport said crude or gross sexual things to you or tried to get you to talk about sexual matters when you didn't want to?
- "Since you have been a student at the University of Bridgeport, has a student, or someone employed or otherwise associated with University of Bridgeport used social or online media to do any of the following you did not want: send offensive sexual remarks, jokes, stories, pictures, or videos to you
- communicate offensive sexual remarks, jokes, stories, pictures, or videos about you"
- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, has a student, or someone employed or otherwise associated with University of Bridgeport continued to ask you to go out, get dinner, have drinks, or have sex even though you said "No"?



The following questions are in response to the previous data set:

If you said "Yes" to any of the above: How was the person/were the people who behaved this way associated with University of Bridgeport? Please select all that apply.

- Student: 20
- Student teaching assistant: 2
- Faculty or instructor: 3
- Staff or administrator: 2
- Alumni: 2
- Other person associated with UB: 2
- The person was not associated with UB: 13
- I am unaware of the person's association with UB: 2

If you said "Yes" to any of the above: Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, have you contacted any of the following about this experience? Please select all that apply.

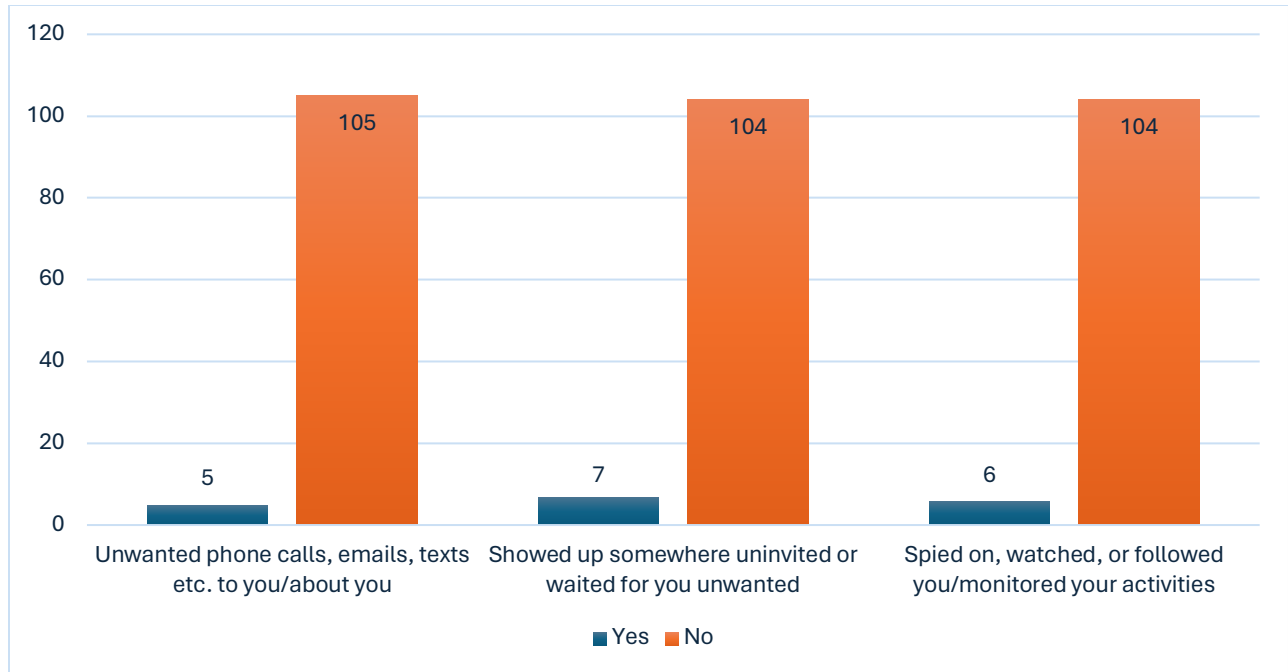
- Advisor: 9
- Faculty or instructor: 4
- Counselor: 2
- Case Manager: 4
- Other University staff or admin: 4
- Other: 11

If you said "Yes" to any of the above: When did you most recently contact someone about this experience/these experiences?

- Fall 2023-Present: 13
- Fall 2022-Summer 2023: 3
- Fall 2021-Summer 2022: 12
- Prior to Fall 2020: 4

The following questions assess the survey taker's experience with unwanted behavior directed towards them.

- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, has someone made unwanted phone calls, sent emails, voice, or text or instant messages to you, or posted unwanted messages, pictures, or videos online to or about you?
- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, someone showed up somewhere uninvited or waited for you when you did not want that person to be there?
- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, has someone spied on, watched, or followed you in person, or monitored your activities or tracked your location?



The following questions are in response to the previous data set:

If you said "Yes" to any of the above: How was the person/were the people who behaved this way associated with University of Bridgeport? Please select all that apply.

- Student: 10
- Student teaching assistant: 2
- Faculty or instructor: 2
- Staff or administrator: 1
- Alumni: 1
- Other person associated with UB: 0
- The person was not associated with UB: 3
- I am unaware of the person's association with UB: 9

If you said "Yes" to any of the above: Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, have you contacted any of the following about this experience? Please select all that apply.

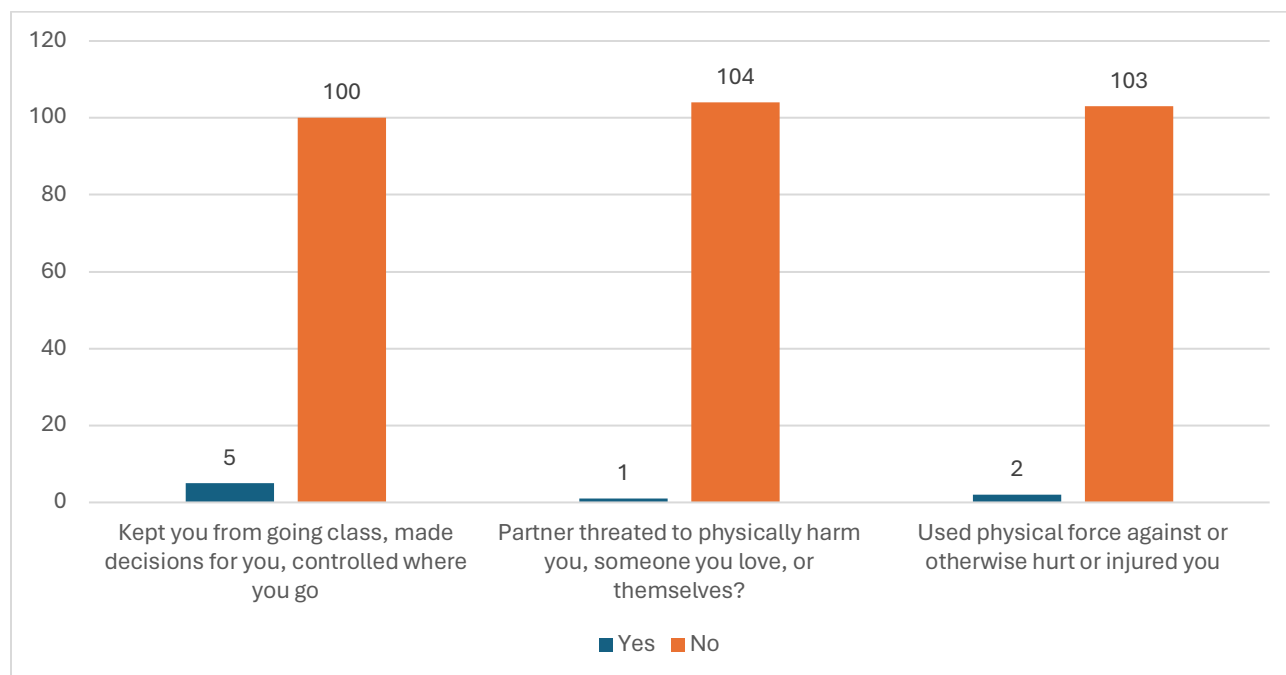
- Advisor: 5
- Faculty or instructor: 2
- Counselor: 1
- Case Manager: 1
- Other University staff or admin: 3
- Other: 10

If you said "Yes" to any of the above: When did you most recently contact someone about this experience/these experiences?

- Fall 2023-Present: 4
- Fall 2022-Summer 2023: 10
- Fall 2021-Summer 2022: 2
- Prior to Fall 2020: 2

The following questions assess the survey taker's experience with physical and emotional partner violence.

- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, has a partner controlled or tried to control you? Examples could be someone who: kept you from going to classes or pursuing your educational goals, did not allow you to see or talk with friends or family, made decisions for you such as, where you go or what you wear or eat, threatened to "out" you to others.
- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, has a partner threatened to physically harm you, someone you love, or themselves?
- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, has a partner used any kind of physical force against you or otherwise physically hurt or injured you? Examples could be when someone: bent your fingers or bit you, choked, slapped, punched, or kicked you, hit you with something other than a fist, attacked you with a weapon"



The following questions are in response to the previous data set:

If you said "Yes" to any of the above: Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, have you contacted any of the following about this experience? Please select all that apply.

- Advisor: 2

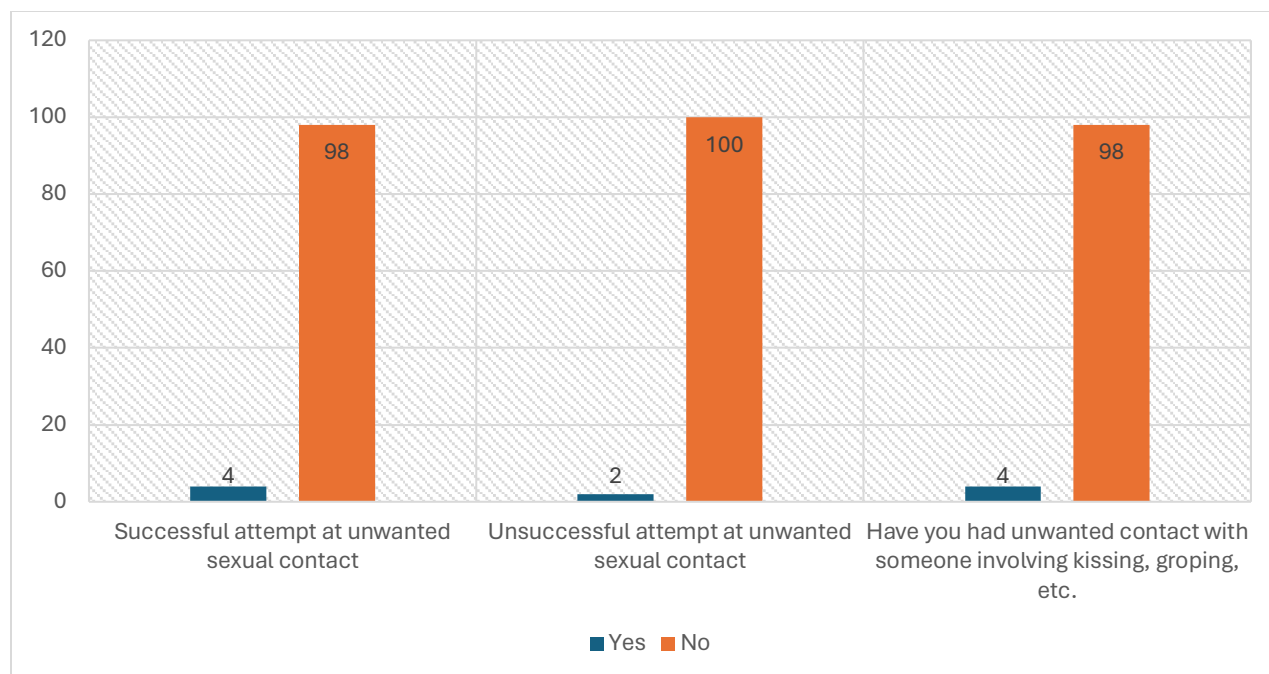
- Faculty or instructor: 1
- Counselor: 0
- Case Manager: 0
- Other University staff or admin: 2
- Other: 8

If you said "Yes" to any of the above: When did you most recently contact someone about this experience/these experiences?

- Fall 2023-Present: 2
- Fall 2022-Summer 2023: 7
- Fall 2021-Summer 2022: 1
- Prior to Fall 2020: 1

The following questions assess the survey takers' experience of specific sexual assault scenarios.

- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, has someone made a successful attempt at the following nonconsensual or unwanted contact with you: Sexual penetration, when one person puts a penis, fingers, or object inside someone else's vagina or anus, or oral sex when someone's mouth or tongue makes contact with someone else's genitals.
- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, has someone made an unsuccessful attempt at the following nonconsensual or unwanted contact with you: Sexual penetration, when one person puts a penis, fingers, or object inside someone else's vagina or anus, or oral sex when someone's mouth or tongue makes contact with someone else's genital.
- Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, have you had the following nonconsensual or unwanted contact with someone: kissing touching someone's breast, chest, crotch, groin, or buttocks grabbing, groping, or rubbing against each other in a sexual way, even if the touching is over the other's clothes.



The following questions are in response to the previous data set:

If you said "Yes" to any of the above: How was the person/were the people who behaved this way associated with University of Bridgeport? Please select all that apply.

- Student: 5
- Student teaching assistant: 1
- Faculty or instructor: 0
- Staff or administrator: 0
- Alumni: 0
- Other person associated with UB: 0
- The person was not associated with UB: 0
- I am unaware of the person's association with UB: 7

If you said "Yes" to any of the above: Since you have been a student at University of Bridgeport, have you contacted any of the following about this experience? Please select all that apply.

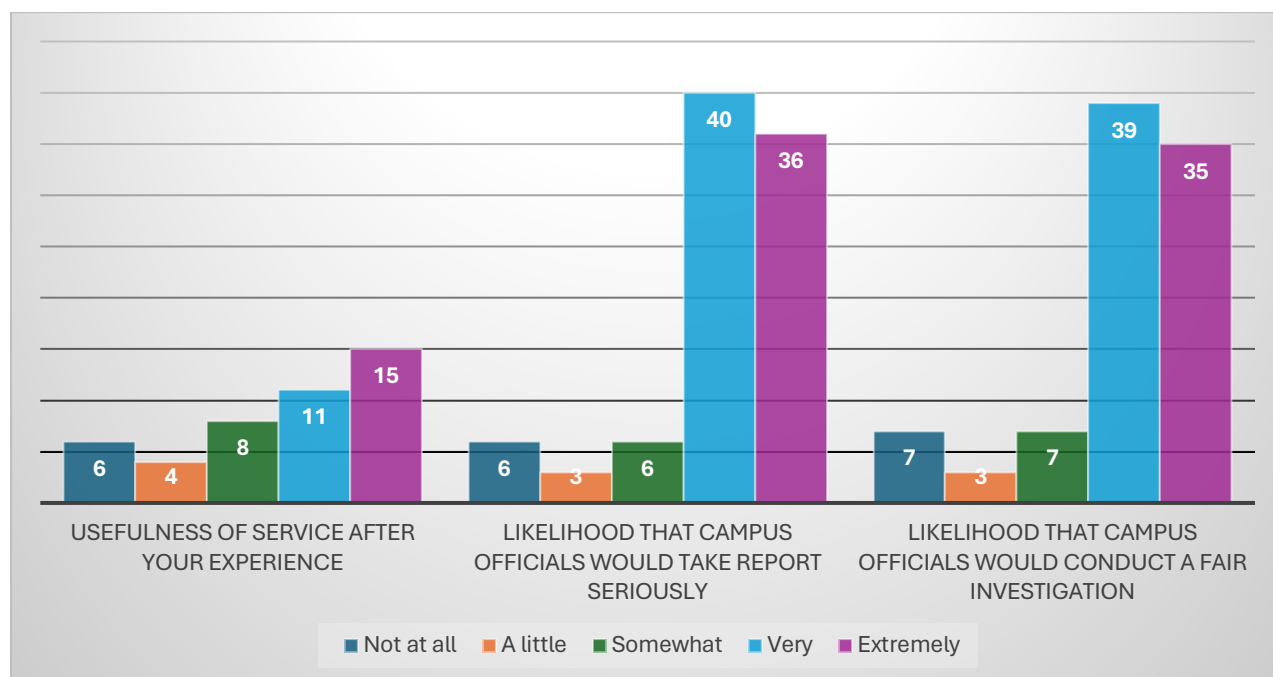
- Advisor: 1
- Faculty or instructor: 0
- Counselor: 0
- Case Manager: 0
- Other University staff or admin: 0
- Other: 0

If you said "Yes" to any of the above: When did you most recently contact someone about this experience/these experiences?

- Fall 2023-Present: 3
- Fall 2022-Summer 2023: 5
- Fall 2021-Summer 2022: 1
- Prior to Fall 2020: 1

The following questions assess the survey takers' experience with reporting an incident.

- How useful was the service at University of Bridgeport in helping you after your experience?
- If someone were to report a sexual assault or other sexual misconduct to an official at University of Bridgeport, how likely is it that campus officials would take the report seriously?
- If someone were to report a sexual assault or other sexual misconduct to an official at University of Bridgeport, how likely is it that campus officials would conduct a fair investigation?



At any point did you feel pressure from the service at University of Bridgeport on whether or not to report or file a complaint?

- Yes, I felt pressure to proceed with reporting or filing a complaint: 1
- No, I did not feel pressure to proceed with reporting or filing a complaint: 34

Conclusion

Throughout the survey, survey takers were reminded that they could skip over any section they did not want to answer, which may explain the lack of answers for some questions. The end of the survey reminded students of their resources on campus, including confidential counseling, campus resources, confidential off campus resources, and national hotlines. The data gathered from this survey will be utilized to plan programming and education and increase awareness across the University of Bridgeport's campus for faculty, staff, and students.