HOW TO HELP A STUDENT OF CONCERN: A GUIDE FOR FACULTY AND STAFF

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Part I – Introduction

UNLV is committed to the health and safety of all members of our community. To safeguard our community the Distressed Student Taskforce has developed a comprehensive reporting system to share appropriate information so students can receive or stay connected to the academic support and student wellness services they need. This reporting system is one element of a safe and supportive campus community.

This guide is designed as a reference and resource for faculty and staff members and to support the training efforts of the University. It specifically provides faculty and staff with information about how to seek assistance and report behaviors of concern. Additional information is provided about managing difficult situations, behavioral signs that warrant concern, as well as resources for assisting students in accessing resources and services at UNLV.

Responding to Students of Concern

Within the academic setting various manifestations of student behavior can cause great concern to faculty and staff. The purpose of this guide is to provide faculty and staff with basic tools to respond to these concerns.

- Part I (this section) includes general guidelines for responding to students, UNLV resources and documentation procedures.
- Part II includes strategies for dealing with disruptive students in the classroom and in other work environments – on campus, or in the online environment.
- Part III includes a brief description of behavior patterns, suggestions for appropriate responses, and decision trees for specific interventions.

The decision trees and information are designed to assist you in formulating a plan of action based on the student’s behavior and to identify campus resources that can assist you. It is important to note that the University does not expect you to assume the role of counselor, therapist or police officer. For those responsibilities, UNLV has trained professionals who are ready to assist you with students who are of concern to you.

In situations, when a student is severely impaired or potentially dangerous, UNLV Police Services will need to be alerted. UNLV Police Services is also available to assist individual departments in formulating their own safety plans in accordance with their physical layout, degree, and nature of student contact and role within the University.

Faculty and staff can play an invaluable role in helping students who are in distress. Your expression of interest, concern, and compassion is an important factor toward a student
seeking the assistance they need. Office of Student Conduct (OSC), Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS), Disability Resource Center (DRC), UNLV Police Services and administrators stand ready to assist you. We hope this guide will help you to identify a potentially difficult situation and provide you with specific ideas and resources when you encounter student behaviors that are of concern.

We encourage faculty and staff to document incidents using the Student of Concern Report and submit the form to the Office of Student Conduct (OSC). A student will have a right to see the Student of Concern Report. Potential interventions will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

It is important to recognize that dealing with disruptive or distressed students can be psychologically and emotionally difficult. Consequently, it can be very helpful to discuss these issues with a colleague or supervisor or seek professional stress debriefing assistance through the University’s Employee Assistance Program (EAP), Behavioral Healthcare Options, Inc., at 364-1484. You may also contact the UNLV Benefits Office at 895-3504 if you have questions or require additional information about the Employee Assistance Program.

**UNLV Resources for Students**

UNLV provides many services to support academic and personal success. A brief conversation with a student in which you point him or her in the right direction can sometimes be sufficient to reduce stress. The Division of Student Life offers a wide variety of support services including:

**Student Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS), 895-3627**
CAPS psychologists and counselors specialize in dealing with the problems commonly experienced by college students of all ages and collaborate with the student to increase self-understanding and develop the skills necessary to overcome personal concerns. CAPS is located in the Student Recreation and Wellness Center (SRWC), room 1500.

**Student Health Center, 895-3370**
The student health program provides prevention and education opportunities in an affordable, quality health care setting that is accessible and cost effective to UNLV students. The Student Health Center is located in the Student Recreation and Wellness Center (SRWC), room 1500.

**Jean Nidetch Women’s Center, 895-4475**
The Center is a point-of-entry for students, faculty, staff, alumni, and the local community to receive information and help in a safe, supportive, inclusive environment, sensitive to issues of concern and interest to women. The Jean Nidetch Women’s Center is located in the Student Service Complex, room 225.

**Tutoring, 895-4782**
The Tutoring Program makes tutoring assistance available upon request to all enrolled students. The Tutoring Program is located in the Student Services Complex (SSC), room 254.
Disability Resource Center (DRC), 895-0866
The DRC provides programs and services for students who experience disabilities, including assistance with college learning through recommended academic adjustments, auxiliary services, and advocacy. Students wishing support must register with the DRC and provide recent and appropriate documentation. DRC is located in the Student Services Complex (SSC), room 143.

Office of International Students and Scholars, 895-0143
The Office of International Students and Scholars is the primary contact to facilitate the transition of international students and scholars to educational experiences at UNLV and life in the U.S. The Office of International Students and Scholars is located in the Student Services Complex (SSC), room 311.

Office of Student Conduct (OSC), 895-2308
The Office of Student Conduct offers programs on student rights and responsibilities, conflict resolutions, academic integrity and mediation services. OSC is located in the Central Desert Complex (CDC), Bldg. #1.

When to Call UNLV Police Services
You should call UNLV Police Services at 911 if the incident is nearing the level of crisis. A crisis exists whenever a person’s behavior poses imminent danger of:

• causing or threatening harm to self or others,
• impeding lawful activities of other members of the campus community,
• interfering with the health, safety, or well being of other members of the UNLV community and/or,
• experiencing a health emergency.

If you are ever unsure of whether or not a crisis exists, err on the side of caution and call UNLV Police Services at 911 for assistance. A dispatcher will either coordinate a police response or give you information and/or referrals to assist the student in need.

To reach UNLV Police Services call:
• 311 for guidance or advice on issues of concern
• 911 from campus phones for emergencies
• 895-3669 from cell phones for campus emergencies
Student of Concern Report

Name of Student: ___________________ L #: __________ (if known) Gender: _____

Student Contact Information (if known):

Date and Time of behavior(s) of concern:

Place(s) of behavior of concern (location):

Description of behavior of concern:
Please provide an objective description of behavior or situation(s) that have caused you concern. Attach any supporting documentation or materials if appropriate. Be as specific as possible about behaviors you have observed.

The student will have a right to see the Student of Concern Report. Any information you share on the Student of Concern Report may be used in a student conduct hearing if the student’s behavior violates the University of Nevada Las Vegas Student Conduct Code.

Submitted by: __________________ Date: __________ Phone: __________

Email: __________________ Relationship to Student: __________________

SUBMIT THIS FORM TO THE OFFICE OF STUDENT CONDUCT
Central Desert Complex (CDC), Bldg. #1  895-2308
Mail Stop: 2019     FAX: 702-895-2514

Received by: ___________________________ Date_________________
Protocol for Incidents Involving Students of Concern

The purpose of this protocol is to guide and sustain a campus network where the UNLV campus community can respond proactively to situations involving students of concern by connecting those students to essential support services. It is the intent of this protocol to work in a coordinated and collaborative fashion to address students of concern in a timely and consistent manner. By utilizing this protocol to share appropriate information, UNLV students of concern can receive and/or stay connected to the academic and student wellness services they need. Note: This protocol is for cases originating in any department that do not result in a direct self-referral to the UNLV Student Counseling and Psychological Services.

1. If there is any question as to the seriousness of the incident or if an imminent threat exists—contact UNLV Police Services immediately for Threat Analysis.

   After facilitating necessary emergency procedures, Police Officer(s) documents the situation as thoroughly as possible, collects witness documentation, and provides all allowable documentation to OSC as soon as possible.

   Office of Student Conduct (OSC) receives case report and logs in database. OSC officer assigned to case.

   Responsible OSC officer contacts Behavior Management Team (BMT) for confidential consultation and review. OSC will provide names ahead of time to allow staff to

   In OSC process, if student responsibility is accepted and/or determined, referral to CAPS with necessary release of information for completion of sanctions may be assigned as condition of remaining part of campus housing and/or campus community.

   If referred to OSC, case will follow procedure as outlined in UNLV Student Conduct Code.

   If referred to CAPS, release of information to OSC may be required to ensure that student met with health care professional and has received necessary information required for specific case to meet safety and liability concerns. Any potential remaining conduct issues around incident will be handled separately by OSC at appropriate time (as determined by OSC with BMT consultation).

   External Protocol

   Internal Protocol

2. Other cases of concern: Responsible reporting agent for institution (Campus Housing/Police Services/Faculty/other) documents the situation as thoroughly as possible using the Student of Concern Report Form, and provides all documentation to OSC as soon as possible.

As of December 21, 2007
UNLV Voluntary Health Withdrawal Policy

UNLV students may apply for a Voluntary Health Withdrawal (a separation of the student from the university) if they experience medical or psychological conditions that significantly impair their ability to function successfully and safely in their role as a student. It is expected that the time a student takes away from the University will be used for treatment and recovery. Requests for Health Withdrawals are coordinated through the UNLV Health Withdrawal Committee.

Contact Dr. Jamie Davidson at 895-0136 if you have questions about the Voluntary Health Withdrawal process or visit http://register.unlv.edu/dropWithdraw.html

Student Privacy

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. Generally, post secondary institutions must have written permission from the student in order to release any information from a student's education record. However, FERPA allows schools to disclose those records, without consent, to the following parties or under the following conditions:

- School officials with legitimate educational interest;
- Other schools to which a student is transferring;
- Specified officials for audit or evaluation purposes;
- Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student;
- Organizations conducting certain studies for or on behalf of the school;
- Accrediting organizations;
- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena;
- Appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies; and
- State and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to specific State law.

For more information see: http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/fpco/ferpa/index.html

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)

A major goal of the HIPAA Act is to assure that individuals’ health information is properly protected while allowing the flow of health information needed to provide and promote high quality health care and to protect the public's health and well being. The Rule strikes a balance that permits important uses of information, while protecting the privacy of people who seek care and healing. UNLV Student Counseling (CAPS) and Student Health Center records are protected under HIPAA. For more information see: http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/hipaa/
Part II – Dealing with the Disruptive Student

Preventing Classroom Disruption

Faculty members recognize the special responsibilities placed upon them to encourage learning, demonstrate respect for students, and observe the regulations of the university to promote the advancement of knowledge. Students are expected to demonstrate appropriate behavior toward other members of the college community. Disruptive students, whether in the classroom or online, hinder the academic process and negatively impact student learning. Disruptive student conduct is prohibited by UNLV’s Student Conduct Code.

What constitutes disruption?
Disruption, as applied to the academic setting, means behaviors that interfere with the right of other students to learn or of the instructors to teach.

Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Persistently speaking without being recognized
- Persistent use of cell phones, beepers, etc.
- Personal insults
- Interrupting other speakers
- Distracting the class from the subject of discussion
- Refusal to comply with faculty direction
- In extreme cases, physical threats, harassing behavior (contact UNLV Police Services)

Prevention
The best time to deal with disruption is before it begins. Faculty can take steps to reduce the likelihood of disruptive behaviors in the classroom.

- Explicitly state expectations for conduct in the syllabus. This may include:
  - Participation in class activities
  - Guidelines for communication
  - Expectations about the use of cell phones and pagers
  - Attendance/tardiness policy
  - Late assignment policy
- Explain consequences of inappropriate behavior
- Review these expectations with students during first class meeting
- Model respectful communication with your students
- Facilitate respectful exchange of ideas among your students
- Respond to problems consistently and in a timely manner
- Consider applying a classroom behavior contract (See Appendix)
# Guidelines for Responding to Students of Concern

## Distressed Behavior

- Student demonstrates distressed behavior but is not disruptive.
  - Distressed behavior includes: tearfulness, anxiety, irritation, depression, or inability to concentrate.

## Disruptive Behavior

- Student demonstrates inappropriate behavior that is disruptive or abusive in nature.
  - Disruptive behavior includes: Unrelated or bizarre comments, defiance, use of inappropriate/offensive language abuse, anger or focusing attention on self.

## Dangerous Behavior

### Crisis Event

A crisis event exists whenever a person’s behavior poses imminent danger of:

- *Causing harm to self or others,
- *Impeding the lawful activities of other members of the campus community or causing significant property damage, or
- *Interfering with the health, safety, or well being of other members of the UNLV community.

## Actions to Take

- **Distressed Behavior**
  - Obtain consultation from Student Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) if needed. 895-3627
  - Speak with student privately about what you are observing and your concerns if feasible.

- **Disruptive Behavior**
  - Act immediately to stop inappropriate behavior and to prevent escalation. Speak with student confidentially when possible; clarify appropriate behavior, set expectations and consequences.
  - Consult with Office of Student Conduct for assistance. 895-2308

- **Dangerous Behavior**
  - Call University Police Services 911
  - Protect the safety of others and self.
  - Depending on incident, buy time with the student by talking calmly and with concern, if possible, until assistance arrives.

- **Inform student of assistance available on campus (pages 4-5). If possible, help the student call for an appointment or walk them over to CAPS.**

- **You may ask the student to leave for the remainder of the class or activity as a result of the disruptive behavior, or at any point if the behavior continues.**
  - If student refuses, call UNLV Police Services 911

- **File a Student of Concern Report (page 5) with the Office of Student Conduct.**
  - Provide your observations to UNLV Police Services for their incident report.
  - File a Student of Concern Report (page 5) with the Office of Student Conduct.

- **Obtain assistance as necessary for crisis debriefing from UNLV’s Employee Assistance Program (EAP) through Behavioral Healthcare Options 364-1484**

- **If distressed behavior persists and/or the student is unwilling to seek assistance contact the Office of Student Conduct to identify assistance and determine options.**

- **Obtain personal assistance as necessary for crisis debriefing from UNLV’s Employee Assistance Program (EAP) through Behavioral Healthcare Options 364-1484**
Strategies for Dealing with Difficult Situations

Office and front line staff often have face to face contact with students. They may be the initial responders to students who are in crisis, angry, verbally abusive, or potentially dangerous. These general suggestions can be utilized with the behavior pattern “do’s” and “don’ts” identified in Part III of this document. The following guidelines provide general principles for effective verbal intervention.

1. **Remain Calm**
   Remember that the verbally escalating person is beginning to lose control. If the person senses that you are also losing control, the situation may get worse. Try to keep your emotions under control, even when challenged, insulted or threatened. This may be easier said than done, especially when a student is making threats, or using abusive language, but it is important in de-escalating the situation.

2. **Be Empathetic**
   Try not to judge or discount the feelings of others. Whether or not you think the feelings are justified, those feelings are real to the other person. You may want to acknowledge them by saying things like, “I understand that this is very frustrating for you.” or “I’m sorry that you’re feeling distressed about....”

3. **Watch Your Body Language**
   As a person becomes increasingly agitated, he or she will pay less attention to your words and more attention to your body language. Be aware of your use of space, posture, and gestures. Avoid gestures that might seem threatening. Make sure your nonverbal behavior is consistent with your verbal message.

4. **Respect Personal Space**
   Maintain a safe distance (2 - 3 feet) from an agitated person. Invading personal space tends to increase the individual’s anxiety and may lead to increased agitation.

5. **Keep It Simple**
   Be clear and direct in your message. Avoid jargon and complicated choices. A person who is beginning to lose rational control may not be processing information as he or she usually does. Complex messages may increase anxiety and make self-control more difficult.

6. **Set and Enforce Reasonable Limits**
   If the person becomes belligerent, defensive or disruptive be sure to state limits and directives clearly and concisely. When setting limits, offer choices and consequences to the acting-out individual. For example, “If you calm down, I can continue to assist you. If not, you will need to leave.”

   Consider saying “It’s not my role to make that kind of decision here at the University. Let me locate someone who can help you.” or “It’s hard for me to understand what you are saying when you are shouting. Please lower your voice so that I can better help you.”
7. Request Assistance When Necessary
   • If you perceive any threat, call UNLV Police Services at 911. In such situations your safety and those of others in your area are of utmost importance. The use of telephone “code words” or alarm buttons may be a good strategy and should be discussed and developed within your department.
   • If the student is angry or demanding but you do not sense an immediate threat, he or she can be referred to your supervisor or to Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS), 895-3627.

8. Document The Incident – Submit the Student of Concern Report form (page 6) to the Office of Student Conduct (OSC) 895-2308.

Core Elements of Communicating with a Student in Distress
   • Confirm that you have heard what the student has said.
   • Express concern for the student.
   • Refer the student to UNLV resources or contact UNLV Police Services.
Part III - Student Behaviors

The Distressed Student

You may become aware of students in distress in a variety of ways. Students may directly communicate their issues and distress to you. This may occur in private or in front of others. You may also sense there is something amiss with a student on the basis of the behavior they exhibit or on the basis of some changes in their demeanor over time.

- Distressed students may express heightened apprehension and fear verbally or behaviorally. These concerns will likely interfere with their learning and ability to appropriately participate in class activities. You may notice agitation, physical shaking of hands, or a trembling voice with students who are anxious.

- Distressed students may appear tense, anxious, and mistrustful. These students may tend to interpret minor oversights as significant personal rejection or may overreact to insignificant occurrences. They may be overly concerned with fairness and being treated equally.

- Distressed student behavior may be indicated by a change over time from actively engaged and involved to a noticeable loss of interest in classroom or other activities. Normally outgoing students may seem to retreat from interaction and involvement. Attendance issues may become a problem for students in distress. Depending on your relationship with the student, he/she may verbally communicate their distress with you.

- Distressed students may share events or incidents of discrimination, harassment, sexual or physical violence. This may be expressed through various forms of communication.

- Distressed students may appear to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol in your class or at your office or an event.

- Distressed students can also be students who are physically ill or who are experiencing a medical emergency event.

DO...
- Express compassion without intimate friendship.
- Communicate your concern if appropriate.
- Be specific and clear regarding the standards of behavior you expect if the student’s behaviors are interfering with classroom activities.
- Listen for indications the student may be suicidal such as statements like “Life doesn’t seem worth living” or “I just feel I can’t go on anymore.”
- Share your intention of referring them for assistance.
- In cases where behavior or other signs of drug or alcohol abuse is evident contact UNLV Police Services at 911.
• In cases of medical emergencies always contact UNLV Police Services at 911.

DON’T...
• Take responsibility for their emotional state by saying “I’ll take care of it for you.”
• Discount their distress by saying “It’s not really that bad” or “You’ve really got nothing to worry about.”
• Assure the student that you are his/her friend.
• Be overly warm and nurturing.
• Be cute or humorous.
• Challenge or agree with any mistaken or illogical beliefs.
• Say anything else that might discount the personal significance or intensity of the student’s feelings.
• Agree to maintain student’s confidentiality.

Distressed Student Decision Tree

• If appropriate, speak with the student privately about what you are observing and your concerns. Inform the student of assistance available through CAPS. If appropriate, help them call for an appointment or walk them over if possible.
• If there is potential for harm contact UNLV Police Services at 911. For calls from cell phones dial 895-3669.
• Seek consultation from CAPS 895-3627 or OSC 895-2308 if needed.

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• If CAPS is not available and/or if behavior or verbal expression of distress is severe, or there is the potential of harm, contact University Police Services at 911. For calls from cell phones dial 895-3669.
• If Alcohol or Drugs are evident contact University Police Services at 911. For calls from cell phones dial 895-3669.
• If the student discloses events or behavior involving harassment or discrimination contact OSC 895-2308.

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• File a Student of Concern Report (page 6) with the Office of Student Conduct.
  -or-
  • Provide your observations to UNLV Police Services for their incident report.

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• Obtain personal assistance as necessary for crisis debriefing from UNLV’s EAP through Ceridian Life Works at 877-234-5151.

The Disruptive Student
Often, large amounts of time and energy are given to students who make excessive demands on your time. They may seek to control your time and unconsciously believe that the amount of time they receive is a reflection of their worth. These students may also have difficulty keeping their comments consistent with the activities or with the topic or issue being discussed. Disruptive behavior can include verbal aggression.

**DO…**
- Set limits with them, “Excuse me; I need to attend to other things.”
- Remain calm and professional. Be sensitive to both verbal and nonverbal cues exhibited by a student who seems to be verbally aggressive.
- Intervene as soon as you hear or see the undesirable behavior. Be consistent with your intervention.
- Give the class a break and ask the student to meet outside of the class to speak privately.
- Briefly and directly convey to the student that verbally aggressive behavior is unacceptable and that the matter must be resolved.
- If, in your best judgment, the verbally aggressive student’s threats to create a safety risk, contact UNLV Police Services immediately. Use a phone out of sight/hearing of individual if possible or request someone else call. Report details of the incident.

**DON’T…**
- Wait until you have become too involved to seek assistance
- Let them use you as their only source of support.
- Get trapped into giving advice, “Why don’t you ...etc.?”,
- Get defensive.
- Engage in a power struggle with the student.
- Respond with anger.
- Allow the disruptive behaviors continue.

**Disruptive Student Decision Tree**

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<td>Seek consultation from CAPS 895-3627 or OSC 895-2308 if needed. Speak with the student privately about what you are observing and your concerns. Establish or reinforce behavioral expectations, or limits as necessary.</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>If the student is excessively demanding, threatening or refuses to comply with faculty or staff direction, contact UNLV Police Services at 911. For calls from cell phones dial 895-3669.</td>
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<td>File a Student of Concern Report (page 6) with the Office of Student Conduct. -or- Provide your observations to UNLV Police Services for their incident report.</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>Obtain personal assistance as necessary for crisis debriefing from UNLV’s EAP through Ceridian Life Works at 877-234-5151.</td>
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**The Potentially Dangerous Student**
Certain behaviors may signal imminent danger to self or others. For example: physical or verbal threats, harassment, expressing personal insults, refusal to comply with directions of college officials or faculty members, and continued escalation of threats might signal imminent danger.

Dramatic changes in behavior over time may indicate the potential for dangerous behavior or harm to self. Actively engaged and involved students may begin to demonstrate a loss of interest in classroom or other activities. Normally outgoing students may seem to retreat from interaction and involvement. Depending on your relationship with these students, they may communicate their sense of despondency or outline a specific plan to do harm to themselves.

You may also experience students whose behavior may be bizarre, eccentric or erratic. They may display disorganized speech and behavior, an inappropriate or complete lack of emotion, bizarre behavior that may includes expressing hallucinations, strange beliefs that involve a serious misinterpretation of reality, social withdrawal, or an inability to connect with or track normal communication. While these behaviors, by themselves, may not indicate a potential for violence or danger, they may indicate the need for treatment or hospitalization. It should be noted that students who are experiencing these behaviors can be unpredictable and should be approached with caution.

**DO…**
- Contact UNLV Police Services in situations where you believe violence is imminent.
- Immediately report students who share suicidal thoughts.
- Recognize that psychotic states can involve extreme emotion or lack of emotion and intense fear to the point of paranoia.
- Respond to the student with concern and kindness, and with firm reasoning. “I can see you’re very upset. Please tell me how I can assist you.”
- Articulate your specific concerns and state that you can see they need help.
- Be aware that the student may show no emotions or intense emotions.
- Ask another staff or student to call for help if needed.

**DON’T…**
- Assume the student will be able to care for him/herself.
- Agitate the student by arguing with their unrealistic beliefs.
- Assume the student comprehends what you are saying or doing.
- Release the student to the care of a roommate or friend without seeking professional consultation.
- Attempt to probe the delusional thinking.
- Assume responsibility by personally trying to resolve their issues.

**Potentially Dangerous Student Decision Tree**
- If the student is expressing or acting out behaviors that demonstrate the potential for imminent harm to self or others seek immediate assistance.
- Contact UNLV Police Services at 911.

If the student is expressing or exhibiting behaviors that do not demonstrate the potential for imminent violence seek consultation or refer the student to get assistance with CAPS at 895-3627. This may include walking the student to CAPS if possible. CAPS is located in the Student Wellness and Recreation Building, room 1500 (located in the northwest corner of the building).

- File a **Student of Concern Report** (page 6) with the Office of Student Conduct.
  - or -
  - Provide your observations to UNLV Police Services for their incident report

- Obtain personal assistance as necessary for crisis debriefing from UNLV’s EAP through Behavioral Healthcare Options 364-1484.

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**Appendix**
Campus and Community Resources

UNLV Police Services:
- Non-Emergency: 311
- Emergency: 911
- Emergency (from cell phones): 895-3668 #2

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS): 895-3627

Disability Resource Center (DRC): 895-0866

International Students and Scholars: 895-0169

Jean Nidetch Women’s Center: 895-4475

Student Health Center: 895-4226

Office of Student Conduct (OSC): 895-2308

Campus Housing: 895-3489

Vice President for Student Affairs: 895-3656

Associate Vice President for Campus Life: 895-4074

If offices noted above are closed when you attempt to contact them contact UNLV Police Services at 311 or 911.

Sample Student Behavior Contract

CLASSROOM BEHAVIOR

I expect students to demonstrate restraint and maturity at ALL times; both in class and in their groups.

Being courteous in class and groups does not mean that you have to agree with everything that is being said. However, you will rarely get your way with anybody in life by being rude,
overly aggressive or just plain hostile. If you disagree with me (or I with you) it is a good idea to wait and discuss the situation when you are not angry.

All interaction with your professor and other students in the class must be of a positive nature. Disrespectful and rude behavior towards the professor or fellow students will not be tolerated and any student who consistently violates this rule will be asked not to return to the classroom.

Failure to demonstrate common courtesy and respect toward others will result in your removal from the class.

Also, I ask that you do not study material from other classes during this class. If you feel that you must spend our class time studying or doing homework, please go to the library.

**ACCEPTANCE OF CLASS TERMS**

I have read all portions of the online syllabus and class schedule and have been given an opportunity to ask questions for clarification, if necessary. I further understand that all of the requirements and expectations will apply equally to all students in this class, including myself.

I understand that not every rule is listed in the syllabus. No professor can and should list every rule imaginable. I know right from wrong, and will use my common sense and behave in a responsible manner.

Name: __________________________________________________

Signature: ________________________________________________

Student Number: __________________________________________

Date: _____________________________________________________

Print name, sign, date and turn this page in to Professor ________.