Violence Prevention 101:
Time to Change the Culture

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Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP)

Some Background:

• Founded in 1993
• A leadership program motivated to help men and women solve problems that have been historically considered “women's issues” like sexual harassment, relationship abuse, and sexual assault.
• Trained individuals on campus use MVP to address topics related to bystander intervention, consent, and leadership roles.
Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP)

- Raise Awareness
- Challenge Thinking
- Open Dialogue
- Inspire Leadership
Agree---Unsure---Disagree
There is a serious problem in the United States regarding men’s violence against women.
• There is a serious problem on UNI’s campus regarding men’s violence against women.
Bystander Intervention

• What is a Bystander?
Bystander Intervention

• It takes a Leader…
• Kitty Genovese
Bystander Intervention

Key factors to being an active bystander:

• Notice the event
• Interpret it as a problem
• Feel responsible for dealing with it
• Possess the necessary skills to act
Why your role is so important:

- 58% of college students say they don’t know what to do to help someone who is a victim of dating violence/assault
- 38% of college students say they don’t know how to get help for themselves if they were a victim of dating abuse
- 57% of all college students say it is difficult to identify dating abuse
Consent

• How do YOU define consent?
Pop Quiz

Is the absence of a NO a yes?

Does NO mean ask again?

Is coercion a YES?
Campus Resources

- Alan Heisterkamp - Director MVP Leadership
- Rachel Sharkey - UNI Campus Coordinator & Sexual Assault Advocate
Thank You

Any Questions?