



National Our Turn Student Action Plan

A Comprehensive Student-Led Strategy to Prevent Sexual Violence and Support
Survivors on Canadian University Campuses



History



Started at the Carleton University Students Association, and their GSS.

University Administration not taking into account of student feedback of university policy.

Conversations with other student unions lead to realization that it was a National issue on three fronts: prevention, support, and advocacy.





But what is it?

- A National Action Plan, led by students, developed by student unions.
- A toolbox to complement and build upon the work that is already being done on campuses.
- Act as a cloud to share ideas, resources, and advice.
- Has reached approximately 40 Student Unions across Canada, with most indicating interest to signing on.
- Will be published with SSMU, who is translating the document into French.



Our Turn Action Plan

Step 1

motion acknowledging
existence of & commit to
eliminating rape culture
on campus

Step 2

Create an our turn task
force on campus

Step 3

Hold consultation
meetings for the
creation and
implementation of the
task force.

Step 4

Conduct a student
campus sexual violence
survey.

Step 5

Adapt Our Turn to
campus.



Guidelines

Guidelines are provided in 3 major areas. These guidelines are flexible for adoption, adaption, and implementation by the different student unions, acknowledging the unique nuances across canadian campuses.



Prevent

Support

Advocate



Prevention

- Develop or adopt a peer-to-peer sexual violence prevention and support training program
- Require members of all student clubs to receive peer-to-peer sexual violence prevention and support training.
- Mandate all clubs to create an equity officer position
- Expand peer-to-peer sexual violence and support training to other campus groups
- Create and implement a sexual violence awareness campaign
- Attend and support community events related to sexual violence and gender-based violence



Support

- Create a campus survivor network
- Create and implement an anonymous and third party disclosure form
- Raise awareness of community support resources.
- Advocate for the addition of sexual violence academic accommodations to course syllabi



Advocacy

- Evaluate your campus' sexual violence policy using the Our Turn Campus Sexual Violence Policy Scorecard
- Identify clauses to amend using the Campus Sexual Violence Policy Checklist
- Advocate for policy reforms at the campus level using the Our Turn Advocacy Guide
- Collaborate with other student unions and organizations to advocate for legislative reform at the local, provincial and federal levels



Fit with AMS & highlights

- Consultations with executives & SASC
- Campus Sexual Violence Policy Scorecard
- Campus Sexual Violence Policy Checklist
- Campus Sexual Violence Survey
 - Tremendous amount of data - to fill the information gaps previously lacking

Questions?

Over the coming weeks, further amendments will be made.

Please visit Sally in her office if you wish to see the document in person.



Thank you!