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GETTING HELP

In an emergency always call **000**

Campus Safety and Security: 1300 737 003

University Counselling Service or Welfare Service: 1300,668,370

We provide support in relation to the impact of crime on studies, visa information, medical, financial or housing needs.

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HELP IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE

- → Campus Safety and Security are always available: call 1300 737 003 (24 hours hotline)
- → Emergency/ Police call 000
- → You are not alone and help is always available.

YOU ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE

If you are the victim of a sexual offence, it is never your fault.

Sexual consent needs to be free of any type of coercion, for example threats, intimidation or harassment. A person who is under the influence of drugs or alcohol or who is asleep is not able to give consent.

I FEEL SO AWFUL, IT IS HARD TO TELL ANYONE

Tan, an international student was a victim of a sexual offence. She was scared as the offender threatened to cancel her visa if she told anyone and worried about bringing shame to her family.

Your student visa will not be affected if you are a victim of sexual assault and report this crime to police **000**.

COURAGE AND STRENGTH

Tan showed courage and strength by reaching out for help. She contacted the University Counselling Service **1300 668 370**, as her distress was making it difficult for her to study and she no longer felt safe. Tan recovered and again felt safe.

The Counselling Service provided Tan with a confidential space to heal.

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ADJUSTING TO AUSTRALIA

Studying in Australia is an exciting time when you may feel overwhelmed.

Over time and as you develop an understanding of Australian culture, things may begin to feel much easier to manage.

MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME

- → The Student Welfare Service can provide you with tools to help you settle and make yourself at home in Australia.
- **→ 1300 668 370**
- → WESTERNSYDNEY.EDU.AU/ WELFARE

NEW EXPERIENCES

Studying in Australia brings lots of new experiences, and for some international students it is also the first time they have lived away from their families.

It is important to talk to someone if you are experiencing challenges.

You are not alone!

YOUR SAFETY FIRST

In Australia you have a right to be safe and to have a life free of harassment, violence and harm.

Sometimes things can go wrong and seeking help early can make things less scary.

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SEXUAL OFFENCES

Sex offences are any sexual behaviours which lead to a person feeling threatened, uncomfortable, unsafe or fearful. Sexual offences are against the law in Australia.

You can report sexual offences made towards you or someone else at the local police station or by calling **000**.

WHO CAN BE AFFECTED?

Anyone of any age, gender, cultural background or sexual orientation can be a victim of a sexual offence.

Offenders try to make victims feel responsible and can make them too scared to get help. You are not responsible if someone hurts you.

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