

# VAWA Reauthorization (& Campus SaVE Act)

- Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, & Stalking (Definitions .....)
- Prevention Programs and Reporting Requirements
  - Mandatory Bystander Intervention training
- Response Procedures (to include victim services)



### VAWA New Definitions Added to the Law

#### **Domestic Violence:**

Violence between those in an intimate relationship with one another.

- -Committed by
  - --current or former spouse of victim
  - --person with whom victim shares a child
  - --current or former cohabitor in spousal role
  - --similarly situated to a spouse of the victim
- -Committed to
  - --adult or youth victim protected by local domestic or family violence laws



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#### **Dating Violence:**

Violence between those in an intimate relationship with one another. Committed by:

- A. Person who is or has been in social relationship of romantic or intimate nature with victim, AND
- B. Existence of relationship is determined by considering:
  - i. Length of relationship
  - ii. Type of relationship
  - iii. Frequency of interactions



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Stalking: A course of conduct directed at a specific person that is unwelcome and would cause a reasonable person to

- A. feel fear for his or her safety or the safety of others, or
- B. suffer substantial emotional distress.

Stalker need not know actions are unwanted. Stalking is often precursor to violence.