Frequently Asked Questions | Workshop & Online Training Relationship Violence and Sexual Misconduct Policy

Why are students required to complete the Relationship Violence and Sexual Misconduct (RVSM) training program?

In support of our efforts to provide an environment that is safe and free of both harassing and discriminatory behavior, Michigan State University requires all students to complete an RVSM training each academic year. MSU has developed in-person workshops and online courses as steps in MSU's RVSM education program. Each year we build on the knowledge and skills learned during previous courses. These trainings are developed as part of MSU's efforts to raise student awareness of relationship violence and sexual assault and promote standards of behavior that will become lifelong instilled values.

What happens if I do not complete the RVSM training program?

Just as you have requirements that you must complete to graduate, students who do not complete the required RVSM training will not be able to access their grades and other academic information in StuInfo until the training is completed.

Is the online RVSM training program the same as the SARV or Bystander workshop?

No. The online RVSM training program builds upon knowledge and skills from the workshops. SARV is an in-person workshop that incoming freshmen and transfer students complete. Bystander is for second year and any student who has previously completed a single training.

I am a survivor and I am concerned that the course may be overwhelming or cause an intense emotional response for me. Am I still required to complete the course?

To request an accommodation, please contact the Training and Accommodation Specialist at empower@msu.edu or (517) 355-3908.

How can I request a reasonable accommodation due to my disability?

Students may contact the Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities to request a reasonable accommodation at (517) 884-7273 (RCPD).

I have not received an email notice to complete RVSM training. What do I do?

First, consider checking your spam folder. Students who forward their MSU email to an external account may find the email is filtered into their spam folders.

Second, you may contact the Online Training Specialist at empower@msu.edu or (517) 355-3908 to confirm if you have been added to the training cohort. The training cohort is updated daily; however, it is possible that newly enrolled students may experience a 1-2 day delay from the time they enroll until they are added to the training cohort.

I no longer have the email notice to complete the RVSM on-line training program. How do I access the on-line course?

Navigate to https://studentsuccess.org/SSO/msu and log in using your MSU ID and password.

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I completed a similar course previously, do I still need to complete the RVSM program?

Yes, all students are required to complete the assigned RVSM training every academic year of attendance. Completion of a similar program through another on-campus unit does not satisfy the requirement.

I believe I have already completed the RVSM program. Who do I contact?

Please contact the Prevention, Outreach & Education Office at empower@msu.edu or (517) 355-3908.

Who do I contact for assistance logging in to the RVSM training?

For assistance with your MSU login credentials, please call the MSU IT Service Desk (517) 432-6200 or toll free (844) 678-6200 or email ithelp@msu.edu.

Who do I contact for assistance with technical problems in the RVSM training course or navigating in the training website?

Please contact the Prevention, Outreach & Education Office at empower@msu.edu or (517) 353-3922. For additional information, see our website: https://poe.msu.edu