# University of Wollongong



NATIONAL STUDENT SAFETY SURVEY

#### PREVALENCE IN A UNIVERSITY CONTEXT

Sexual harassment

18.5% since starting university

9.6% in the past 12 months

Experiences of sexual harassment in the past 12 months:

Female

14.5%

Male

3.0%\*

Differently-described gender

Sexual assault

6.0% since starting university

2.1%

in the past 12 months

Experiences of sexual assault in the past 12 months:

Female

Male

2.5%

1.3%\*

**11.6**%\*

Differently-described gender\*\*

Relative standard errors (RSE) were calculated for survey estimates. If the RSE was between 25% and 50% an \* appears next to the estimate that indicates caution should be used with the associated estimate. If the RSE was above 50% an \*\* appears meaning the estimate is unreliable and not reportable. Differently described gender includes students whose gender identity was not classified as female or male. Gender identity was derived using the 'two-step method' of cross-classifying responses to sex assigned at birth and current gender. Context of most impactful incident. Students who had been sexually harassed in a university context were asked questions about the context of the most impactful (or significant) incident they had experienced. This incident was self-identified by the student.

#### CONTEXT OF MOST IMPACTFUL INCIDENT

### **Sexual harassment**

### Location

General campus areas

42.5%

University library

19.9%

University lecture theatres, computer

16.8%

## Perpetrator



knew some or all of the perpetrators involved

 $\label{lem:assument} \textbf{Asked of students who experienced sexual harassment in an Australian university context}$ 

#### REPORTING AND SUPPORT SEEKING

# Formal complaints made to the university



of students who were sexually harassed made a formal complaint

# Seeking support from the university



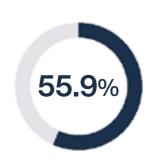
of students who were sexually harassed sought support or assistance

Asked of students who experienced sexual harassment in an Australian university context

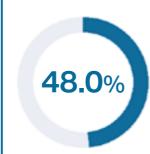
# Knowledge of university support and reporting channels



know nothing or very little about where to go to make a complaint about sexual harassment



know nothing or very little about where to go to make a complaint about sexual assault



know nothing or very little about where to seek support or assistance for harassment 45.2%

know nothing or very little about where to seek support or assistance for assault

Asked of all students