

# Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (Effective March 7, 2014)

VAWA's SaVE Act provision adds domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking to the Clery Act reporting requirements.

**Domestic Violence:** Includes felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction.

**Dating Violence:** Violence committed by a person: A) Who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and B) Where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors: (i) The length of the relationship, (ii) The type of relationship, and (iii) The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

**Stalking:** Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to: A) Fear for his or her safety or the safety of others; or B) Suffer substantial emotional distress.