



**940.19(1) Battery:** essentially battery is causing physical harm without consent with the specific offense based on the severity of the bodily harm.

**939.645 "Hate Crime" Enhancer:** is applied if the victim of a crime was selected in whole or in part because of the perpetrator's belief or perception regarding the sexual orientation of the victim. This is not a crime itself, but enhances the penalty for the underlying crime.

**"I'm Afraid of what this person might do to me."**

Persons under suspension or expulsion from UW campuses or persons convicted of any crime involving danger to persons as a result of conduct on University lands are prohibited under UWS 18.06(22) from entering any campus. This section may apply on a case by case basis and must be determined by the Dean of Students Office.

If the suspect continues to harass or contact you, that person may be charged with Intimidation of a Victim under ss. 940.44.

If you have questions or are the target of harassment based on your sexual orientation (or others perceptions of your sexuality) UWPD encourages you to contact us immediately. UWPD will investigate and/or assist you in any way we can.



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# Have You Been Harassed Based On Your Sexual Orientation?

## What The UW Madison Police Department Can Do For You.

**Striving For Excellence  
Serving With Pride**





### Have You Had Experiences Similar to Any of the Following:

- Harassing messages on your door or phone?
- Called derogatory names like Faggot or Dyke in public?
- Have objects thrown at you?
- Been physically assaulted due to your sexual orientation?

### What Can You Do If You Are Being Targeted or Harassed?

*If you are being threatened, intimidated or physically abused you should report this behavior to UWPD immediately. Your safety is our primary concern.*

You don't have to live with harassment, intimidation, or physical bodily harm because of your sexual orientation or other's perception of your sexual orientation! There are many options available to you if you are experiencing problems.

Your House Fellow, Residence Life Coordinator, University Police Department and the Dean of Students Office are valuable resources in finding out about your options and your rights to a harassment-free university environment.

In addition there are numerous community support groups and advocacy programs available to you.

### What Can the UW Police Department Do?

UWPD can assist you if you live, work or attend classes on the campus and/or the harassment is occurring on campus. If you are harassed off campus you may still contact UWPD but your case may be investigated by another agency.

#### If you know who the "suspect" is, but do not want them charged?

If you are afraid of repercussions by reporting the suspect, UWPD can assist you in obtaining restraining orders, contacting advocacy groups or involving the Housing Department and/or Dean of Students Office to take action to stop the behavior. Suspects may be prosecuted by the Dane County District Attorney's office.

An officer can simply take an information report to document the person(s) behavior and advise you of the possible charging options based on your particular circumstances. An officer may also talk to the person(s) and advise them of the legal ramifications of their actions.

#### If you do NOT know who the suspect is?

Call UWPD immediately so that we can investigate.

#### What are the Possible Charging Options?

*You should know that if you choose to pursue charges in your case, you may have to make appearances in court in order for the suspect to be prosecuted. This may mean OUTING yourself.*

*If you are not comfortable with this, more informal actions can be taken as outlined in this brochure.*

### UW Administrative Codes (UWS):

A person may be cited under 18.06 for Disorderly Conduct 18.06(30) or Improper Use of Telephones, 18.06(33). UWS citations are civil forfeitures similar to a municipal ordinance.

**Disorderly Conduct 18.06(30):** essentially states that no person may engage in any behavior that tends to cause or provoke a disturbance.

**Improper Use of Telephones 18.06(33):** States that no person may cause the phone of another to repeatedly ring or to make repeated phone calls with the intent to harass.

#### State Misdemeanors:

A person may also be arrested or issued a misdemeanor citation for their actions that violate Wisconsin State Statutes. Some that may be applicable are:

**947.01 Disorderly Conduct:** see UWS

**947.012 Unlawful Use of Telephone:** in addition to those points under UWS, this statute includes using a telephone call to harass, frighten, threaten, intimidate or threaten to inflict physical injury, and using obscene or lewd language or threaten lewd and lascivious acts.

**947.013 Harassment:** attempts to or strikes, shoves, kicks or otherwise subjects the person to physical contact or threatens to do the same with the intent or harass or intimidate, or repeatedly commits acts which harass or intimidate the person. This becomes a crime if the victim reasonably fears death or great bodily harm or if there is an injunction which limits or prohibits contact with the victim.

