

What is the VIP Active Bystander Certificate Program?

The Violence Intervention and Prevention (VIP) Active Bystander Certificate Program at the Center for Prevention and Outreach (CPO) is designed to build student awareness, knowledge, and skills in the area of sexual & relationship violence and bystander intervention. Students can earn the certificate in as few as two semesters, but can work towards completion at a more leisurely pace throughout their academic career.

Program topics and information are based on research and best practices in the field of violence prevention, as outlined by the US Department of Justice, the Centers for Disease Control, and the White House's Not Alone report (notalone.gov).

Workshops and training are a blend of interactive lecture, discussions, skill building activities and personal reflection, and are offered in partnership with Stony Brook's Center for Prevention and Outreach, the Program in Public Health, and the Undergraduate Colleges.

To register, visit:
www.stonybrook.edu/cpo

Fall 2017 Workshops

9/18: I know where to go: SAFE Spotlight Dena Spanos, VIBS

9/25: Bystander Booster Session: Handling Harassment
Cody Pomeroy, CPO

10/2: Seawolves for Survivors
Samantha Winter, CPO

10/9: That's not right: Myths and facts about alcohol and sexual assault
Cody Pomeroy, CPO

10/16: Differentiating Healthy vs. Abusive Behaviors in a Relationship
Dena Spanos, VIBS

10/23: What is Rape Culture?: Media representations of sexual violence victims and perpetrators
Cathrine Duffy, DOS & Chris Szaraz, CPO

10/30: Communication and Healthy Relationships: Fighting Fair
Chris Szaraz, CPO

11/6: Trauma vs. Stress: How are they different? Chris Szaraz, CPO

11/13: How Perpetrators Groom Their Victims: Understanding the Signs
Dena Spanos, VIBS

11/20: Bystander Booster Session: Bystander engagement in online spaces
Cody Pomeroy, CPO

11/27: LGBTQ* Stereotypes and Sexual Violence
Toni Labozzetta, LGBTQ* Services

12/4: Sexual and Relationship Violence among College Students
Chris Szaraz, CPO

All sessions held Mondays, 4pm in SAC 311

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Enrollment & Requirements

Students (undergraduate and graduate) throughout the University are eligible to enroll. Participants need to complete a total of **10 related program components: 8 workshop sessions, plus Green Dot Bystander Intervention Training, as well as one (1) community engagement event** to complete the course and be eligible to receive the certificate. Participants are also invited to attend any additional sessions at their convenience. Participants are required to attend an orientation session, interested students should contact christine.szaraz@stonybrook.edu.



Program Structure

The VIP Active Bystander Certificate Course consists of three key focus areas:

Focus Area 1:

Bystander Intervention Training

Green Dot Violence Prevention Bystander Intervention Training (REQUIRED)

Students will increase knowledge of bystander intervention techniques and will practice skills and strategies for violence prevention with their peers.



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Green Dot dates:

Thursday, 9/7 12pm - 4pm SAC Ballroom B	Monday, 9/25 10am - 2pm SAC Ballroom B	Wednesday, 10/11 4pm - 8pm SAC Ballroom B	Thursday, 10/26 2pm - 6pm SAC Ballroom B
Monday, 11/6 6pm - 10pm SAC Ballroom B	Tuesday, 11/21 12pm - 4pm SAC Ballroom B	Friday, 12/8 9am - 1pm SAC Ballroom B	For more info or to register, visit stonybrook.edu/cpo

Focus Area 2:

Topics in Sexual Violence Prevention Education

Participation in 8 sessions divided across 4 content areas

Students will increase knowledge and awareness of contextual factors impacting prevalence and impact of sexual/relationship violence.

Content area 1 (C1):

Definitions, Demographics and Populations

2 required: 1 required core + choose 1 additional

Content area 2 (C2):

Violence and Culture

2 required: choose any

Content Area 3 (C3):

Supporting Survivors

2 required: choose any

Content Area 4 (C4):

Bystander education booster sessions

2 required: choose any

Focus Area 3:

Community Engagement

Participation in one (1) related event on campus.

Students will demonstrate ability to engage peers and other members of the campus community on issues of sexual violence.

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Community Engagement Events

Postcards for Survivors

10/2 5pm – 7pm SAC 306

Take a Stand/Walk with Me

Domestic Violence Awareness Event

10/25 1pm – 2:30pm

March starts in SAC Plaza, followed by a rally and information fair in SAC Auditorium

Note: Other events may be used to satisfy this requirement as approved by certificate program coordinator.