

Reporting Intimacy Concerns

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If you should have a concern regarding theatrical intimacy, instructional touch, intimacy in dance, or in costume shop fitting practices, please report those concerns to the Resident Intimacy Director: Andy Grapko, andrea.grapko@austin.utexas.edu, WIN B.104C.

While you are always free to share your experiences and concerns with your peers, **intimacy concerns should not be reported to undergraduate or graduate students for resolution.** Doing so potentially puts that student into a challenging position, requiring expertise and power they do not have to resolve your concerns; this may also detract from their educational experience and possibly prolong the resolution process. If you would like additional support, feel free to include a trusted faculty or staff member, or a fellow student when you contact Andy about your concerns.

Your concerns will always be treated with confidentiality and privacy within the bounds of the law and UT policy. Andy will work with you to find a resolution and make you aware of any steps taken to resolve your concern. Please know all faculty and staff are considered mandatory reporters. If you report a concern they believe may fall under Title IX reporting requirements, they are obligated to report it to the Title IX Office.

If you believe your concern falls under Title IX prohibitions and protections (sexual assault, interpersonal violence, stalking, sexual harassment, or sex discrimination), please report your concern directly to the Title IX Office at <https://titleix.utexas.edu/> or 512-471-0419.