

WHAT TO DO WHEN A STUDENT IS IN CRISIS:

If a situation is dangerous and requires an immediate response, for example:



someone is injured and needs immediate medical attention

OR



a student is a clear and present danger to themselves or others:

Call 911 and then
Campus Safety **(415) 618-3911**

If you feel a student's safety or the safety of others is at risk, online or on campus, for example:



a student is talking about suicide or depression

OR



you feel a student's safety or the safety of others is at risk

OR



IF a student injures him/herself and says they're okay, but you're not sure

OR



IF a student reports being harassed, stalked, or assaulted:

Call Campus Safety (415) 618-3911

Campus Safety will respond professionally and sensitively when students need help and support.

In the event of an emergency:

- Stay calm. This will help you respond effectively and reduce the student's anxiety.
- Provide a quiet, private place, if possible, for the student to rest while further steps are taken.
- Talk to the student in a clear, direct manner.
- Arrange for appropriate intervention or aid.
- DON'T downplay the situation. All emergencies should be taken seriously.
- DON'T leave a student unattended if s/he appears to be dangerous to self or others.
- DON'T promise something you can't deliver. Doing so may leave you feeling overwhelmed.
- DON'T ignore your limitations.

A student in crisis may exhibit:

- signs of extreme depression or mood changes
- confused thoughts
- irritability or aggression

or talk about

- hopelessness or worthlessness
- suicide or self-harm
- intention to harm others.

Students may outwardly show these signs in their behavior, communicate them verbally, or write an email or post about them.

When it comes to safety, getting help is top priority. Any mention of harming oneself or others should be taken seriously and must be reported to Campus Safety.

If your concerns about a student are not urgent but help is needed (e.g., a referral to a therapist), contact Student Academic Support at 415.618.3917 or arc@academyart.edu.