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Free Downstate Resources for Seeking Support

Most resources here are for students (♣), but some apply to postdocs (♦) and faculty (♠), too.

Don't see a resource on here you think belongs to this list? Please let School of Graduate Studies (SGS) Manager of Career and Professional Development, Justine Lottermoser, Ph.D. know. This list has been generated to primarily serve SGS students and its associated postdocs/faculty. (Justine.lottermoser@downstate.edu)

These Downstate resources are **free and confidential**:

♣ **Student Mental Health services** are available to School of Graduate Studies (SGS) PhD/MD-PhD students and all other Downstate students

- No cost
- Confidential
- Not involved in academic assessment of students
- Contact: **counseling@downstate.edu** or **make an appointment online**
- Here are some tips on how to monitor your mental health: downstate.edu/education-training/student-services/student-counseling/tips.html
- Director, Student Counseling Services Maria Deutscher, Ph.D.

♣ **Employee Assistant Program (EAP)** is available to Postdocs and SGS PhD/MD-PhD students and all other Downstate employees

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- No Cost
- 1-800-822-0244 hotline available 24 hours a day - 7 days a week - 365 days a year
- Confidential - Voluntary

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- Not involved in academic assessment of students
- Call or email for help with **ANY personal** matters or for a **FAMILY member (domestic partners** count, too! **The problem does NOT have to be work related)**
- EAP Frequently Asked Questions
- Downstate EAP Coordinator: Magda Alliancin, Ed.D. | Tel. (718) 270-1489 **magda.alliancin@downstate.edu**

♣ **DHSU's Compliance Line** is an effective way to report activities that may be in violation of the law, such as possible violations related to (not a complete list): Professional and business ethics;

♦ Professional standards of practice; Conflicts of interest; Harassment and discrimination; Scientific Misconduct

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DHSU's Compliance Line is simple and available 24/7!!

To file a report, follow the link "Compliance Line" available the bottom of every single Downstate webpage. You may follow up on a report that has already been submitted by clicking on the "Follow up on a report" link.

You may also call DHSU's Compliance Line directly at **877-349-SUNY**. From an outside line dial direct for your location: United States 1-877-349-7869

Please be aware that you may report without identifying yourself. **Calls are not recorded and web- reports are not traceable**. There shall be no reprisals for good faith reporting of actual or possible violations.

♣ ♦ ♠ These Downstate resources are **free** but not guaranteed to be confidential:

Title IX Coordinator: Bolaji Olasokan, Esq.
Basic Science Building in Room 5-95. 718-270-1738 or AskODI@Downstate.edu

What is the Title IX Coordinators role?

To oversee the processes that address reported concerns or claims of sex or gender based harassment, discrimination, misconduct or violence. This includes working closely with other offices such as Student Affairs and to provide educational programming for the campus community, investigate claims of sexual discrimination, harassment, sexual assault, violence or misconduct to identify the appropriate responses or resolutions as may be prescribed by policy and law. The Title IX coordinator will also work with the complainant(s) to assist them in accessing any appropriate internal and external support services.

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Pastoral/Spiritual Care Department, which is headed by Rev. Sharon Codner-Walker and has spiritual leaders representing all major world religions

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