Welcome to Winter Quarter, Pioneers!

The Center for Advocacy, Prevention, and Empowerment is excited to continue working with the DU community to promote a healthy campus environment in the new year. We will be offering many opportunities for you to connect and get engaged this quarter, including the Vagina Monologues (part of DU’s “Love, Sex, and Health Week”) and the launch of our B.O.S.S. Campaign. Be sure to read our monthly newsletter for additional details.

Winter Quarter Advocate Hours

Dr. Gillian Kaag, the Director of CAPE, is currently on maternity leave. If you need to meet with a CAPE advocate, please call (303) 871-3853 and an advocate will contact you within 24 hours to schedule an appointment.

In general, an advocate can be available in the CAPE Office (Nelson 101) to meet with you:

- Mondays: 11AM - 3PM
- Tuesdays: 8AM - 10AM
- Wednesdays: 8AM-4PM
- Thursdays: 9AM - 4PM
- Fridays: 9AM - 3PM

If you need to speak with someone urgently during business hours, please contact the Health and Counseling Center at (303) 871-2205 and ask to speak with the Counselor of the
Day.

If you need to speak with someone urgently after business hours, please call the Emergency/Crisis Dispatch Line at (303) 871-3000 and ask to speak with the CAPE Advocate on call.

Vagina Monologues: They’re Coming

Questions? Contact Lori Scott at loriscott@gmail.com.

B.O.S.S. Campaign
Each week, CAPE will be releasing posters for this year's B.O.S.S. Campaign! These members of our DU community have served as campus advocates who promote healthy relationships, teach non-violence and equality, and fosters a respectful and safe environment for all members of the University of Denver community.

This month's DU BOSSes are:
Hayden Johnson
Leslie Rossman
Kiki Boone

Hayden Johnson is currently serving as the Undergraduate Student Body President for the 2014-2015 academic year and was a co-creator of SCESA, the Student Coalition to Eradicate Sexual Assault. He is a senior this year, majoring in Socio-Legal Studies and History. Hayden sees issues of gender and relationship violence as one of the most important issues facing DU, and strongly believes that the Pioneer community can promote a zero-tolerance environment for sexual misconduct and gender-related offenses. Supporting survivors of gender violence is important because it is a major step toward creating a student body that actively stands up for their peers, and promotes a campus culture of advocacy and respect. Hayden strongly believes that education is a key part of helping the community build and grow in a positive way around this issue, and show that while only some are perpetuating the problem, everyone must be part of the solution.
Leslie Rossman is a doctoral candidate in Rhetoric and Communication Ethics at the University of Denver. She received an M.A. in Political Studies at the University of Illinois, Springfield. Her research interests include rhetorical mediations of labor and globalization, rhetoric and political economy, the effects of neoliberalism in the workplace, as well as gender and sexuality in popular culture. Leslie has been an active leader at the University of Denver through her roles in Graduate Student Government, Graduate Students of The Four Faculties, and the Communication Studies Graduate Student Organization. As President of the Graduate Student Government, Leslie is committed to working with administration, faculty, staff, and students in creating an environment where discussions surrounding education and prevention of sexual assault and gender violence are supported and encouraged. It is her belief that in order to change the culture of gender violence we must come together as a campus community and transform previously held ideas of sexual assault awareness through education, dialogue, and survivor support.

Kiki Boone is a senior at the University of Denver, majoring in Spanish and Integrated Sciences. She is a captain of the lacrosse team and leads Younglife at Cherry Creek High School. Kiki believes it is important to support survivors of gender violence to promote equality and to help heal the emotional and physical injuries inflicted upon the victims.

All members of our community can be leaders when it comes to supporting survivors of gender violence. Check out how these student leaders believe, support, and listen to their friends. To find out more about the B.O.S.S. Campaign, please
Interested in a B.O.S.S. Training?

At DU, to “Be a B.O.S.S.” means to be a leader on campus and to be willing to speak up and act in order to prevent violence from happening.

To be a DU B.O.S.S. is to:
- Be aware,
- Observe your situation,
- Size up your options,
- Speak up and act.

CAPE is looking forward to expanding our BOSS program this year and already has workshops planned with the RA’s, the Pioneer Leadership Program, the Living and Learning Communities, and members of Greek Life.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE?
REQUEST A WORKSHOP:

“Be a B.O.S.S.”: How to Harness Your Power to Prevent Violence

This workshop focuses on the issue of leadership on DU’s campus and teaches practical bystander intervention skills for students to use in order to prevent violence from happening in our community. To “Be a B.O.S.S.” individuals must: 1) Be aware, 2) Observe the situation, 3) Size up their options, and 4) Speak up and act. This interactive training provides participants with the tools to know when and how to “Be a B.O.S.S.” and helps participants gain the confidence to take action when it is needed, particularly around the issue of preventing sexual violence.

Contact the Jenny McGee, Social Work Intern at hcc.cape1@du.edu

Did You Know?
Increase in domestic violence often occurs with particular events and times during the year. While it has been suggested that Super Bowl Sunday is a day that sees more cases of domestic violence, evidence suggests otherwise.

So - if it's not Super Bowl Sunday - on what day of the year is domestic violence against women most prevalent? While it appears there isn't one specific day on which domestic violence peaks, there are particular times of year when the rates typically spike. For example, a 2006 study published in the Handbook of Sports and Media examined over 1.3 million domestic violence police reports from every day of the year in 15 NFL cities and found only a very small rise in domestic violence dispatches on (or just after) Super Bowl Sunday. However, they observed nearly a quintupling of domestic violence police dispatch reports around major holidays, such as Christmas.

A 2007 study that analyzed patterns of women fleeing domestic abuse found that the highest intake rates of women with children at shelters found similar trends.

Here at the University of Denver, you have a number of options for reporting domestic and gender violence throughout the year, both on and off campus. Together we have the power to keep ourselves and our community healthy and safe.

Get involved! CAPE is always looking for volunteers and opportunities to collaborate. Please feel free to reach us at: hcc.capefellow1@du.edu