THE BASICS

- Students traveling abroad are at a higher risk of sexual assault than students at home.
- Consumption of alcohol or other psychoactive substances increases risk.
- Separation from home and support for a substantial period of time can have impacts on mental health and well being.
- Sexuality and gender norms are expressed differently in each community.
- Cultural norms will dictate dating and social behaviors, expectations, and etiquette.
- Laws pertaining to gender violence can differ in each community.
- Effects of gender violence can be compounded by isolation, cultural barriers, and lack of familiarity in the area.

COUNTRY: IRELAND

- Very low employment rates for Women with children.
- Women underrepresented in political sphere.
- Womensaide is an organization addressing the UK area in matters of SA and IPV.
- 1/5 of women have reported being abused by a current or former partner.
- Dublin Rape Crisis Center services survivors in Ireland.
- Legislation has been slow to start due to lack of effort put into the 1997 Report of the Task Force on Violence Against Women.
- Very liberal towards LGBTQIA+ community.
- First country to vote same sex marriage as legal by popular vote.
- Discrimination against LGBTQIA+ outlawed.

RESPONDING TO DISCLOSURES

"Are you safe?"
"I believe you"
"How can I help"
"Thank you for sharing with me"

RESOURCES

Cal Poly Safer
Confidential
✉ safer@calpoly.edu
✉ safer.calpoly.edu
 ☎ 805.756.2282

Cal Poly
International Center
✉ international@calpoly.edu
✉ international.calpoly.edu
☎ 805.756.1477

Toll Free 24-HR Crisis Line*
RISE
Confidential
✉ contact@RISEslo.edu
✉ riseslo.org
☎ 855.886.RISE(7473)*

SASHAA
Sexual Assault Support and Help for Americans Abroad
✉ crisis@866uswomen.org
✉ sashaa.org
☎ 866.879.6636*

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