

Student Advocate Program

The purpose of the Student Advocate Program is to bridge the gap between the Title IX office and confidential individuals who serve to support students. The Title IX office must remain objective and impartial and a confidential individual cannot be involved in individual cases. An advocate supports the student survivor with to their knowledge of the Title IX structure and training in advocacy from the Crisis Center of Birmingham. Advocates can guide students through the institutional process, this could be providing information on resources to being a student's ongoing advocate for their remaining time on campus. An advocate may be asked to go with a student to the Crisis Center, aid them through the reporting process, support them during a hearing, or offer additional institutional support once a final decision on their case has been determined.

A student advocate is there for the student, the student is ultimately in charge of their experience with our advocates. If a student no longer wants to work with an advocate or move forward with a formal complaint it will not change the relationship that student has with the faculty or staff member of Birmingham-Southern College.

Student Advocates

- **Kent Anderson** – Faculty & staff member, Director of Leadership Programs, Kurlak Institute for Leadership, Experiential Learning, and Civic Engagement, kanderse@bsc.edu
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