

Subject: #MiddToo - Monday, January 29th

In response to recent events, we, the SGA Sexual & Relationship Respect (SRR) Committee, recognize the urgent and immediate need to support survivors of sexual assault on this campus. The conversations sparked by “The List” that have arisen over the past few weeks are critical to building a safer community for all students. We want to cultivate a culture in which enthusiastic and affirmative consent, mutual respect, and sexual safety for all parties are assured and expected, and in which drastic actions are not necessary to spark dialogue.

We appreciate the conversations for bringing attention not only to the prevalence of sexual assault on campus and the culture surrounding it, but also to the unjust treatment that survivors still face in our society. Instead of stigmatizing survivors, we believe that the trauma that they have endured as a result of sexual assault should be respected and validated.

We invite everyone-- students, staff, faculty, administration, and community members-- to join us in a day of solidarity with survivors of sexual assault at Middlebury and across the globe. Please wear all black on Monday, January 29th to show your support.

**In solidarity,
SGA SRR**

P.S. We also invite the Middlebury community to attend It Happens Here's storytelling event taking place at 8 PM in Wilson Hall. The event will allow survivors of sexual violence to share their stories with the Middlebury community.