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Response to the Mail & Guardian's questions on alleged sexual harassment

Who is the private security company posted at UCT?

The additional security officers who have been deployed on campus during the deferred exams belong to a company that is affiliated to G4S, which is responsible for campus security services at the University of Cape Town.

How does UCT respond to allegations that private security have sexually harassed female students?

UCT takes allegations of sexual harassment very seriously. The university encourages all students or staff members who experience sexual harassment to report such cases to the Discrimination and Harassment Office (DISCHO), who will investigate the matter. DISCHO can be contacted on 021 650 3530.

UCT's sexual harassment policy emphasises the university's commitment to providing an institutional environment where all may pursue their studies, careers, duties and activities free from sexual harassment. The university does not tolerate sexual harassment and views it as serious misconduct that results in disciplinary action.

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