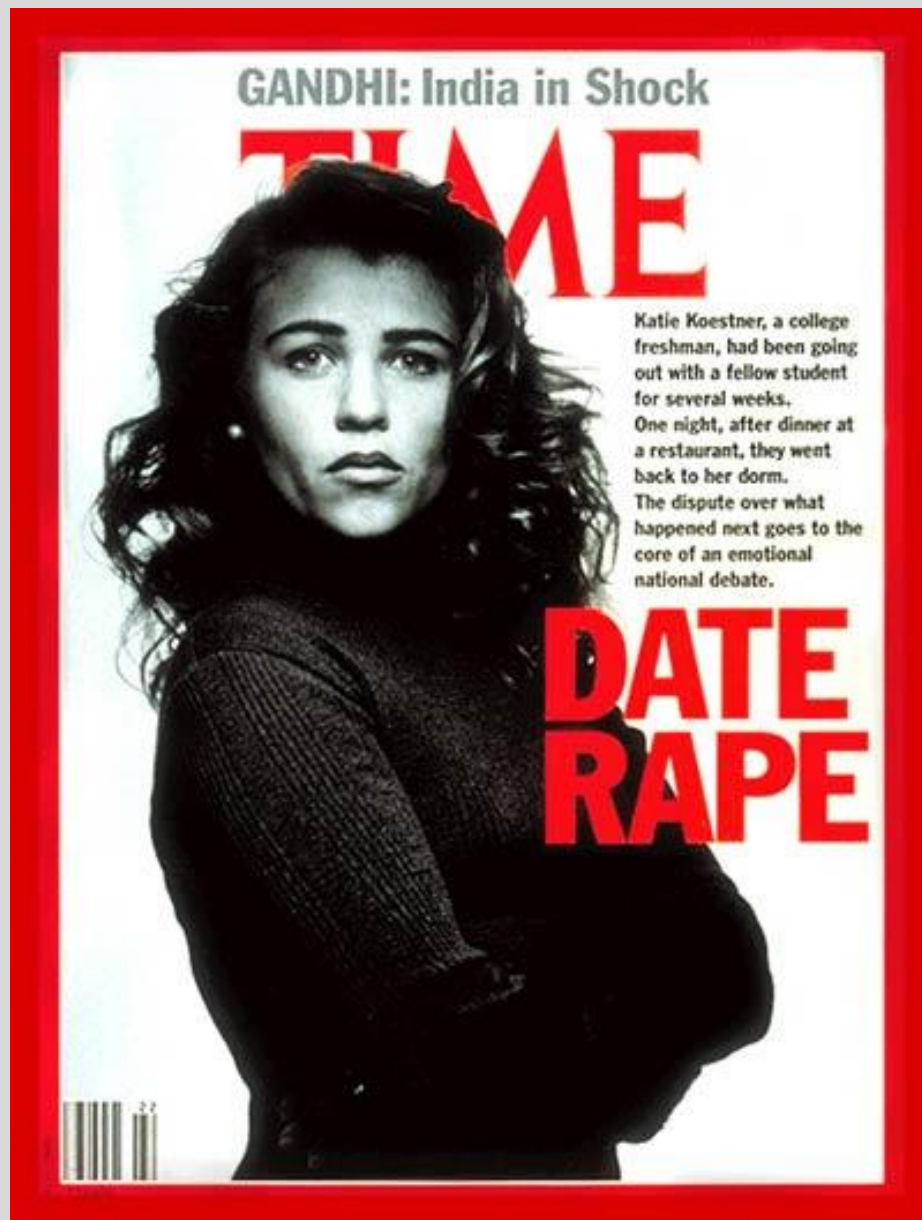


# A Toolbox for Violence and Trauma Prevention Research

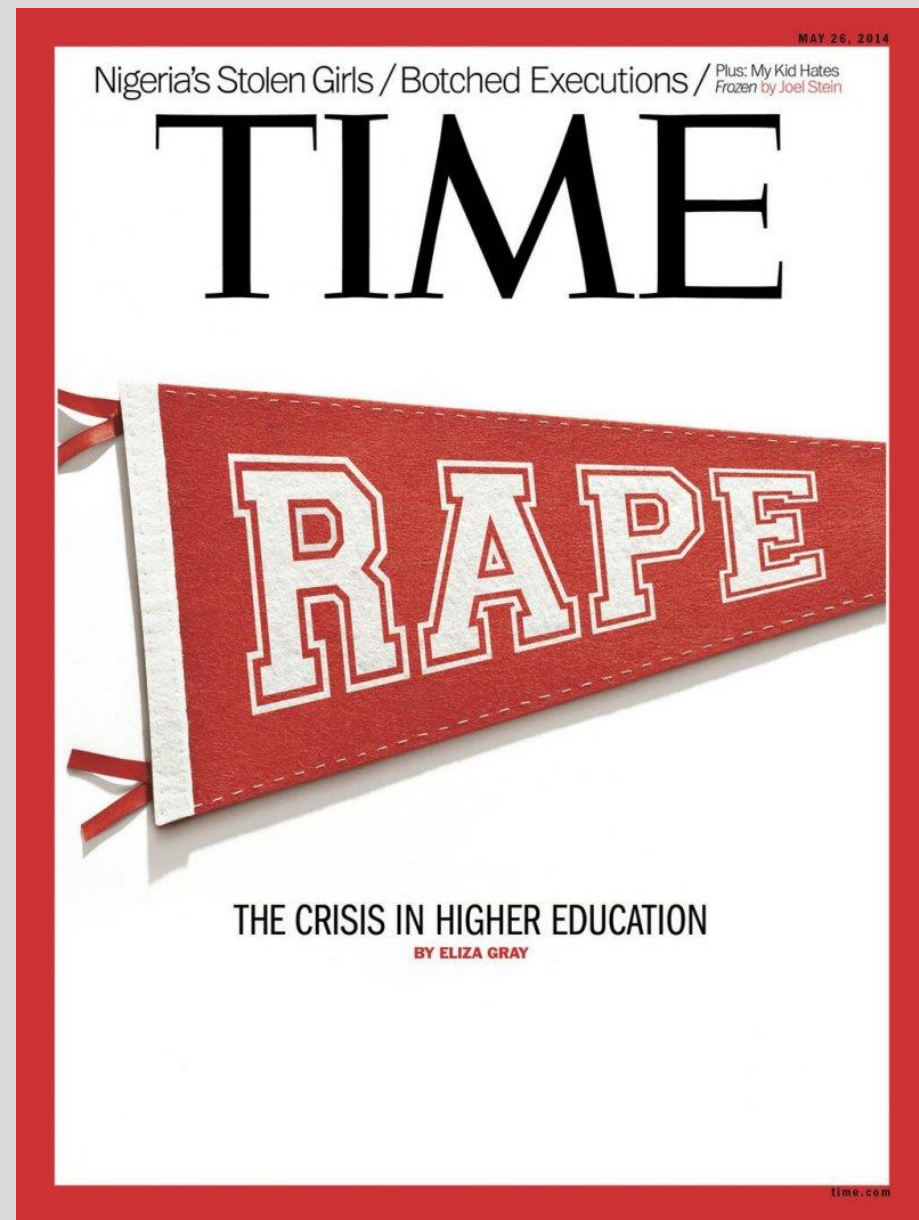
Kevin Swartout  
Georgia State University

# What does he mean by “toolbox”?

- Research methods and analyses as tools
- Tools for practitioners and policy-makers



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# Overview

- Testing the “campus serial rapist assumption”
- Protective factors for sexual violence perpetration
- Psychological outcomes of sexual assault perpetration

**Serial Rape:** 3 or more incidents with a “cooling off” period between

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## Serial rapists commit 9 of 10 campus sexual assaults, research finds

by Dave Gustafson - [@DaveGustafson](#)



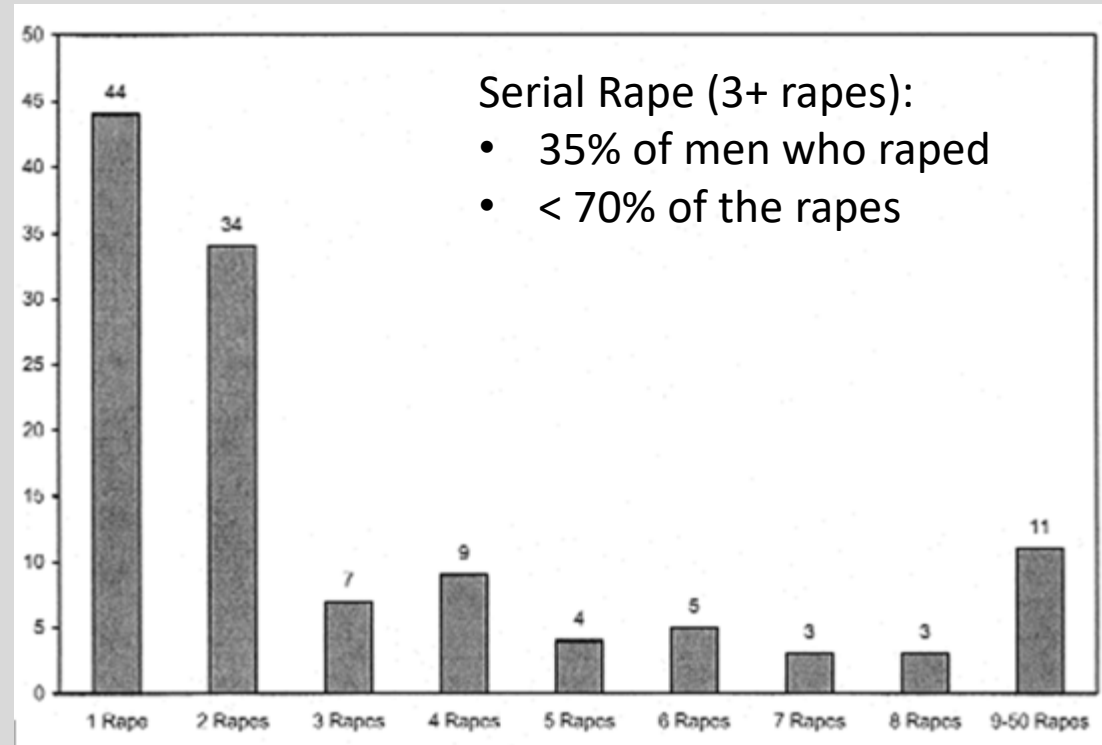
Attorney Gloria Allred speaks at an April news conference, surrounded by students and alumni of Occidental College who alleged that administrators violated federal standards for dealing with their rape, sexual assault or retaliation claims. Nick LRIAP

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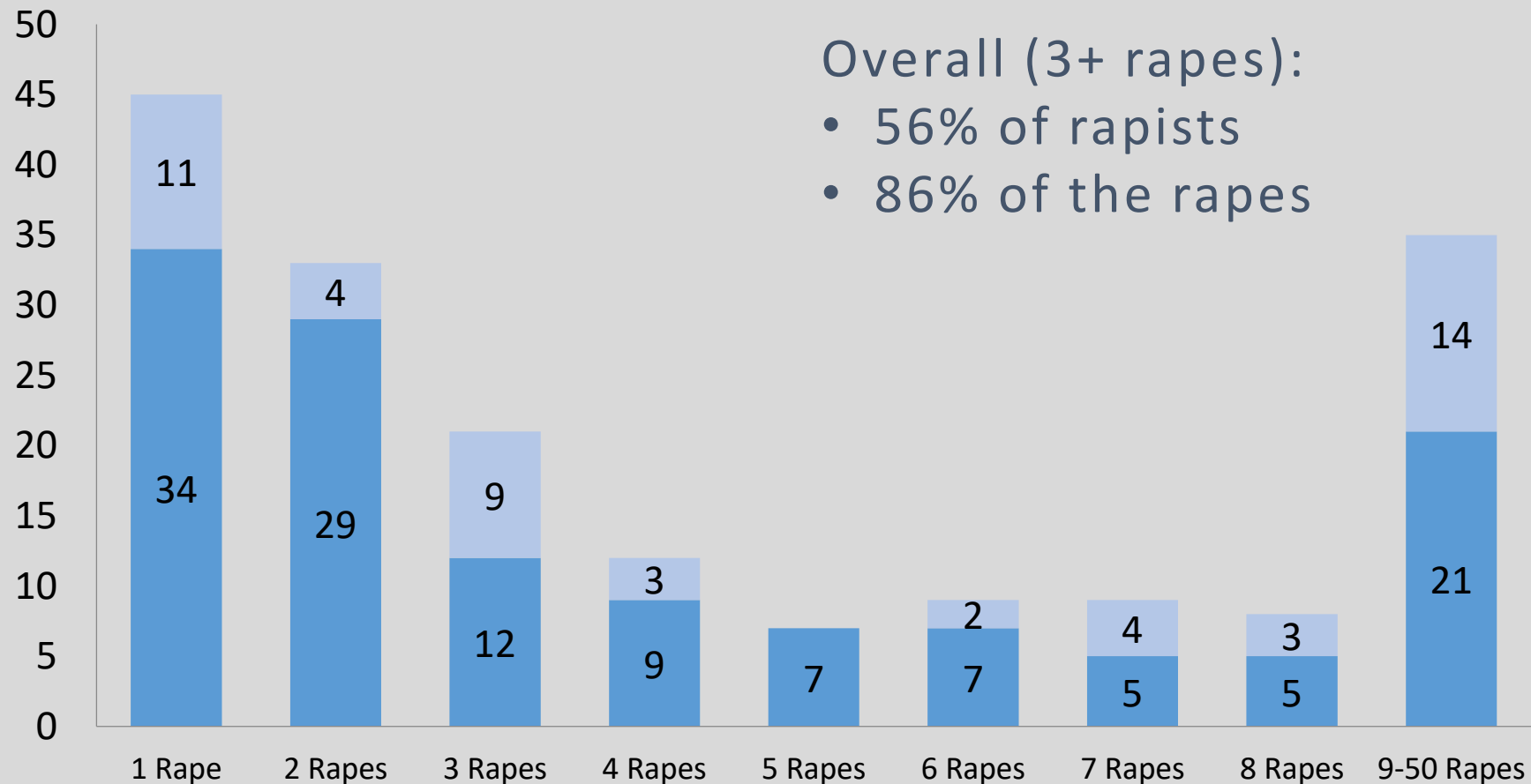
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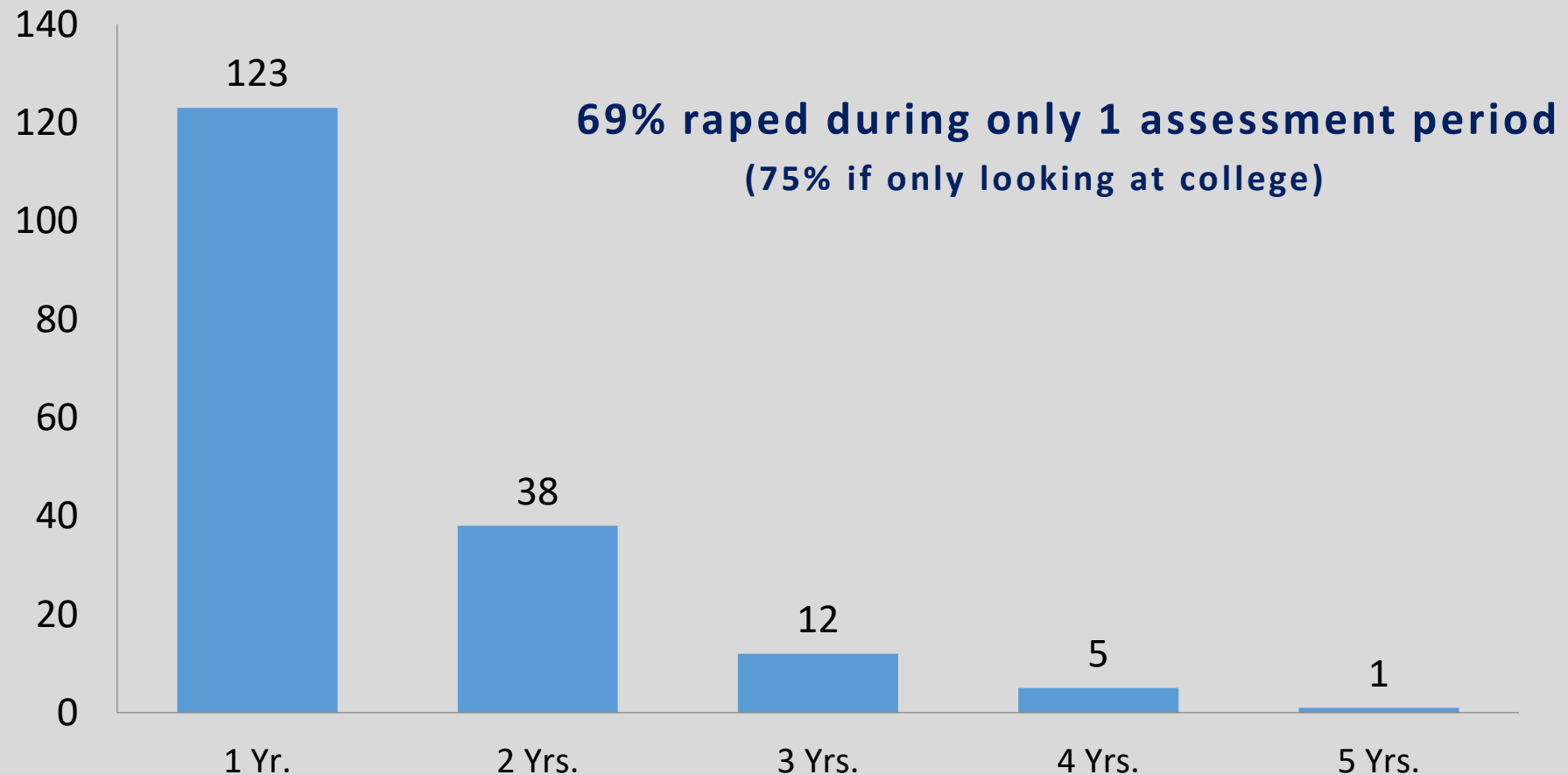


Lisak & Miller (2002)

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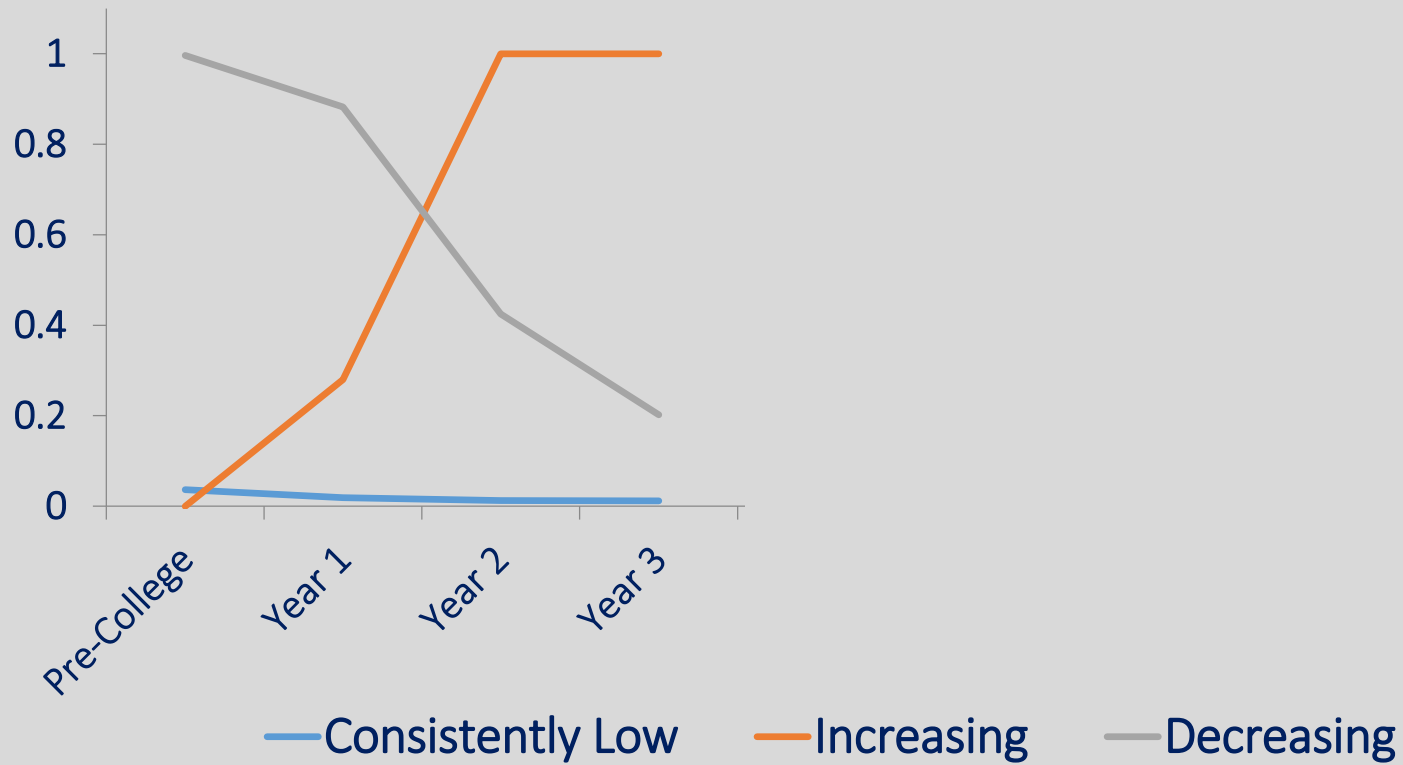


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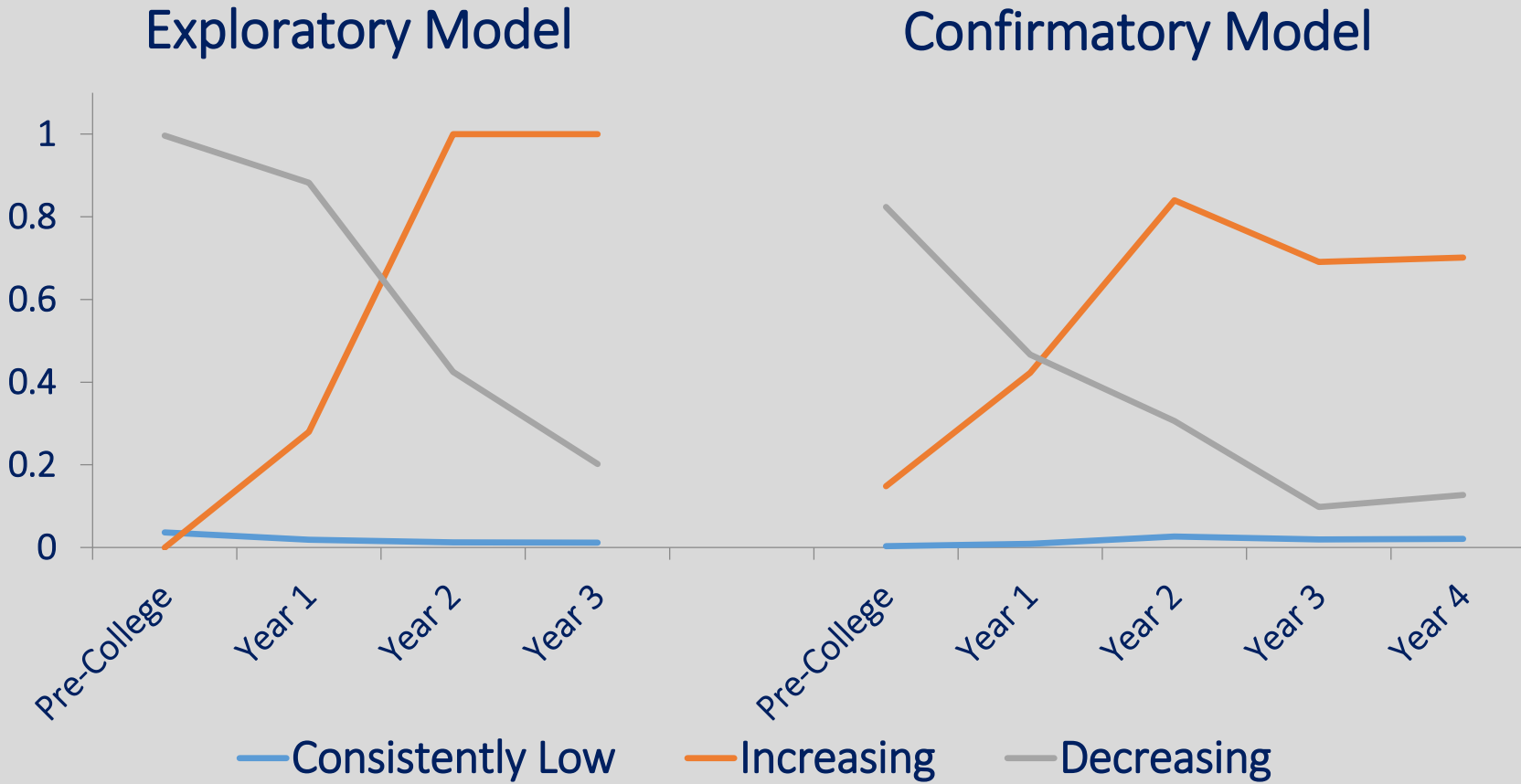




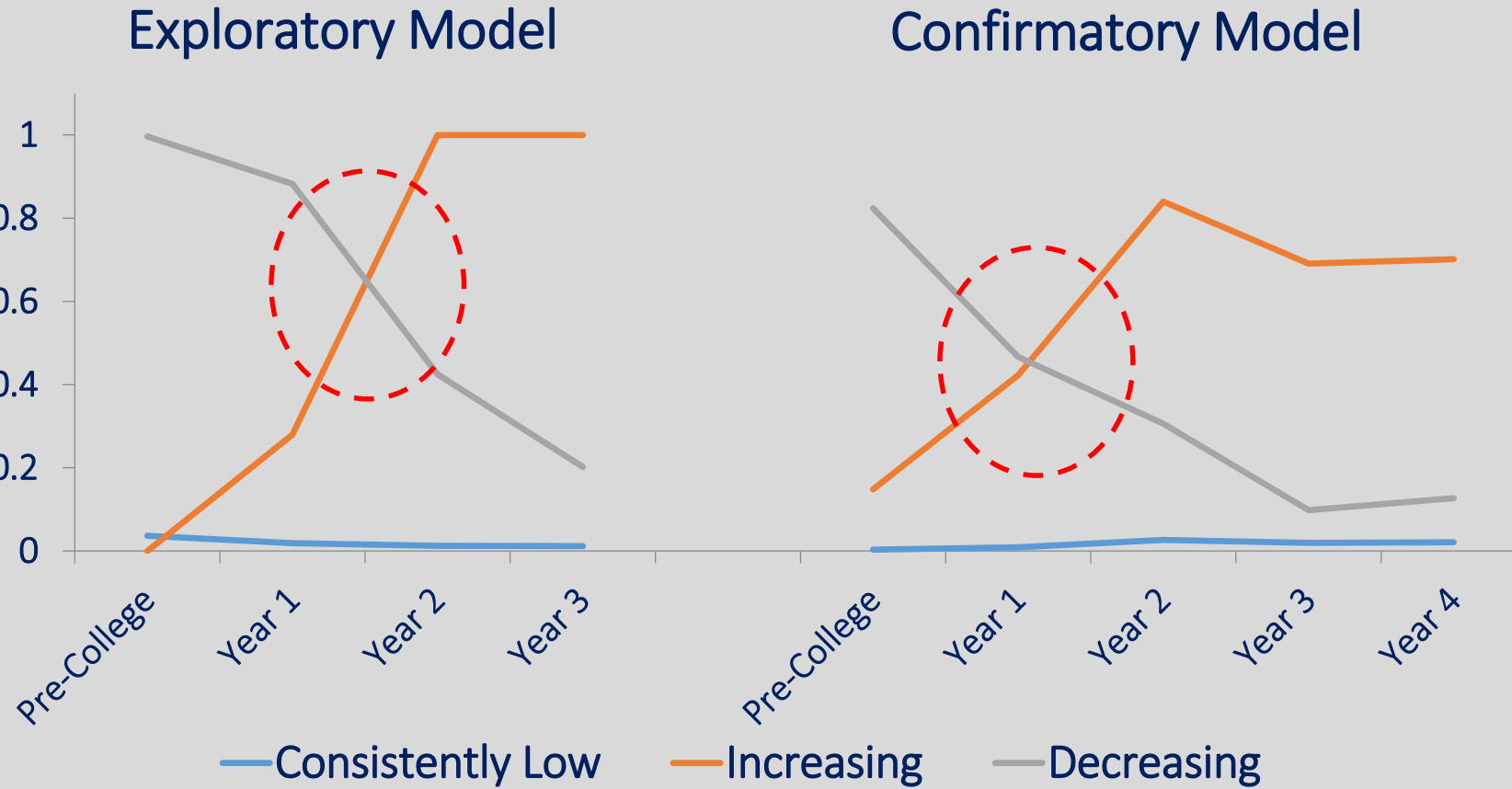
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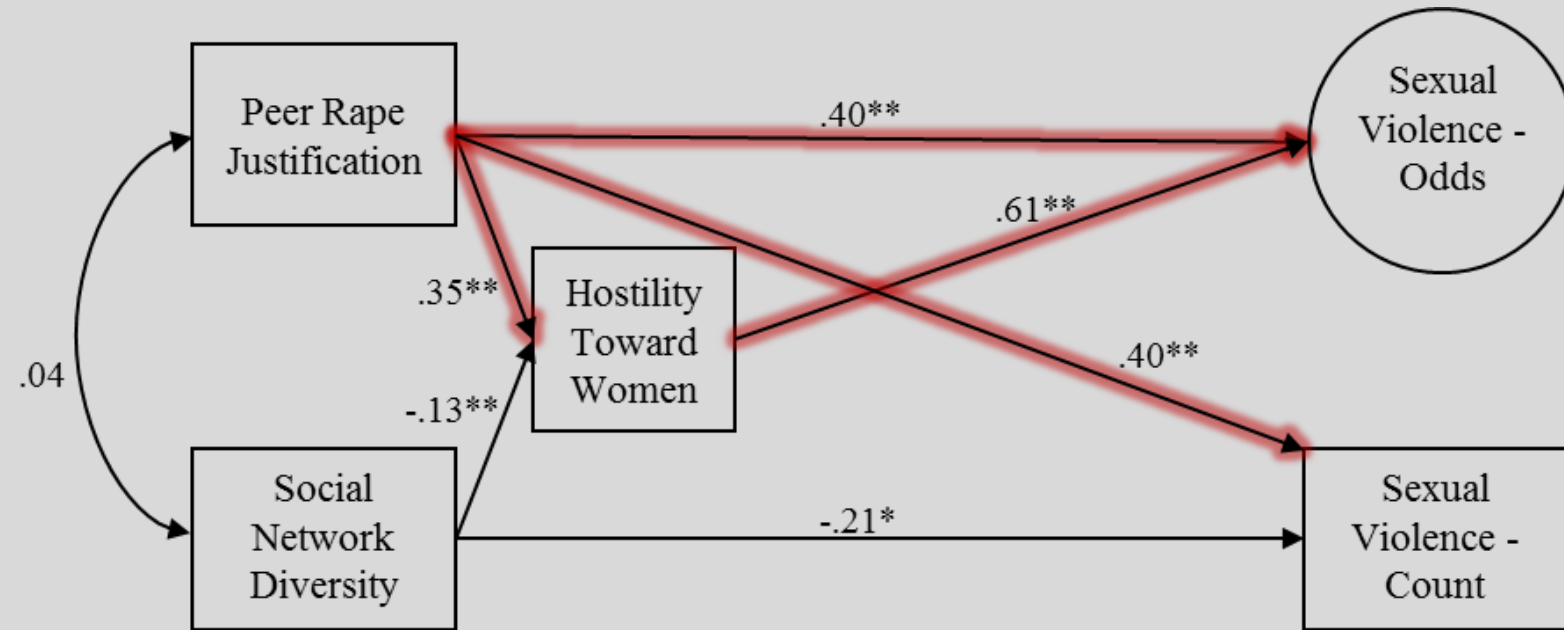
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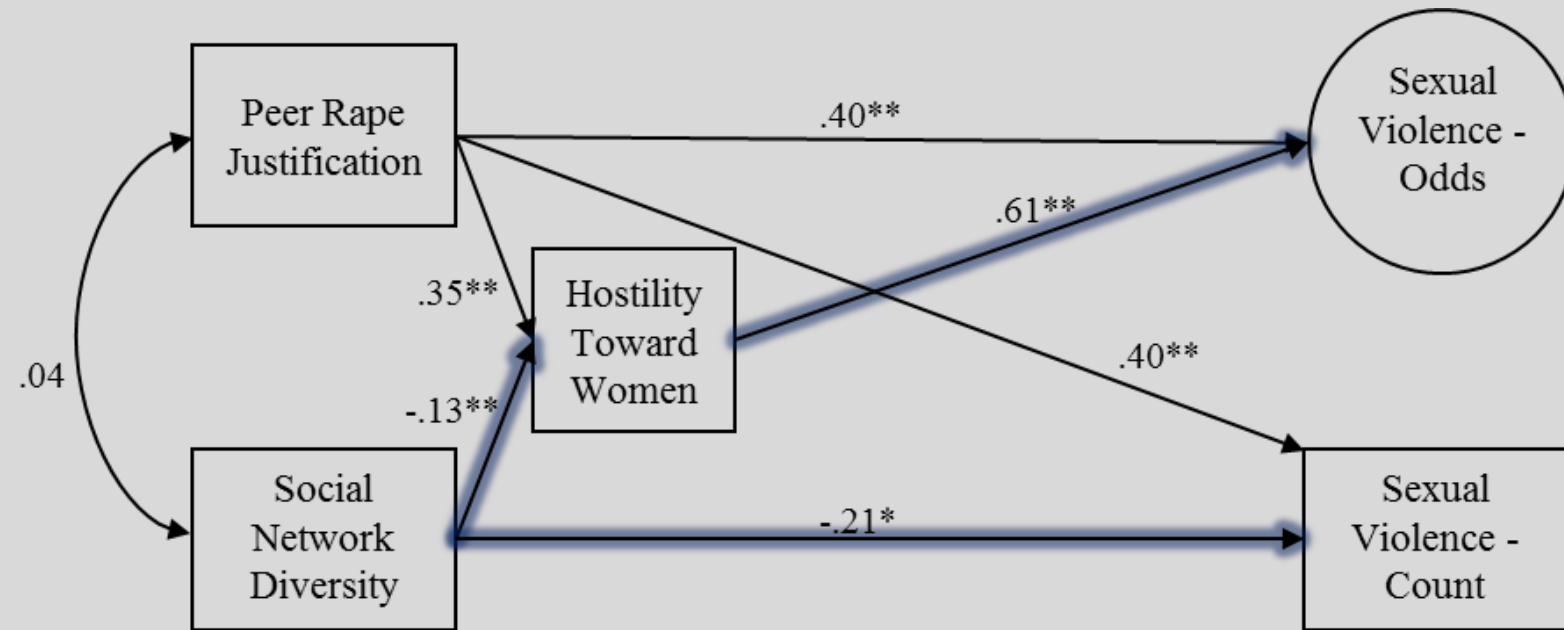
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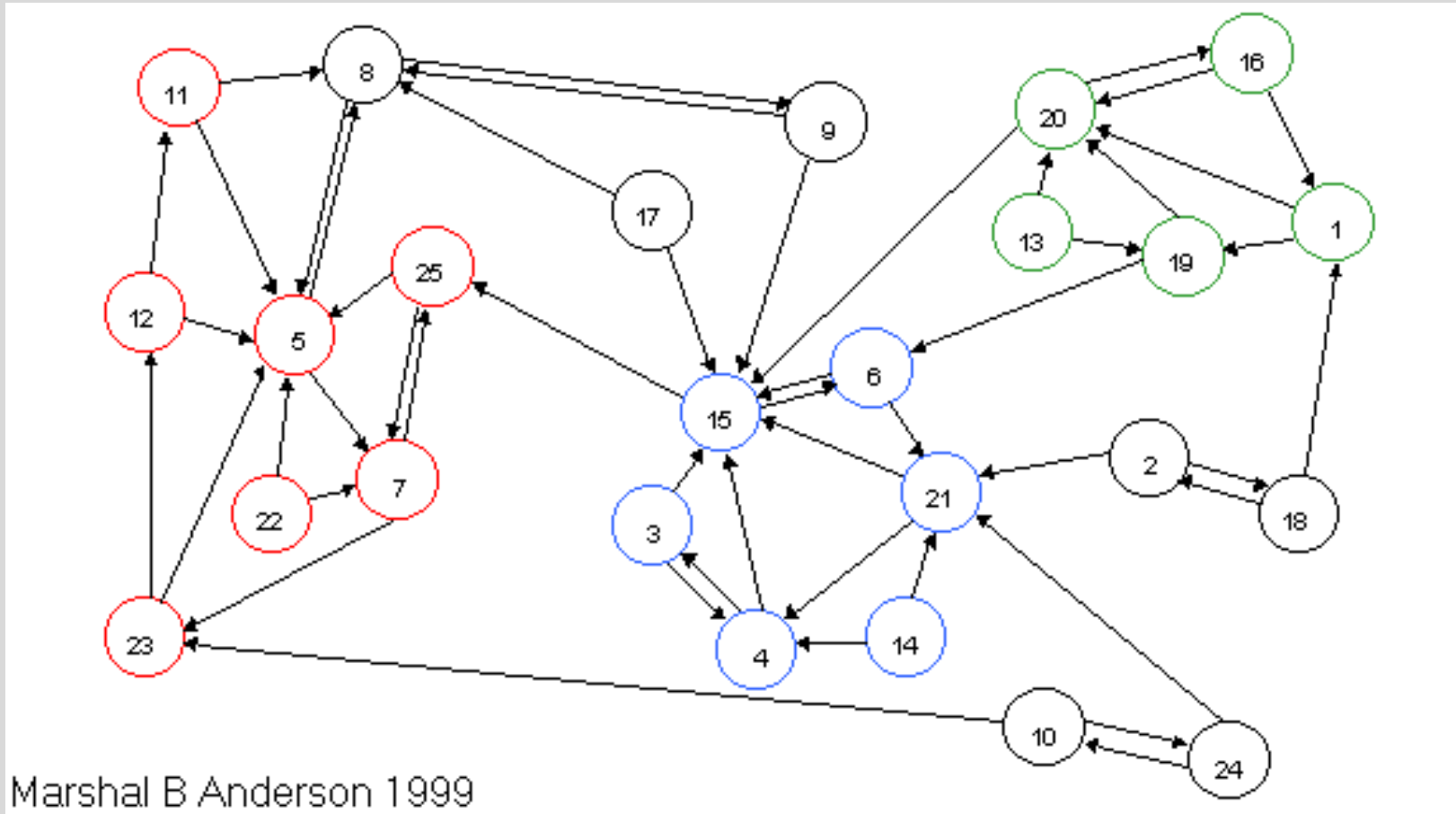
# Perceptions of Peer Attitudes



# Social Network Diversity



# Social Network Density



# Qualitative Research

- Data from Reddit.com
- Prompt: “Reddit's had a few threads about sexual assault victims, but are there any redditors from the other side of the story? What were your motivations? Do you regret it?”

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# Thanks!

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