

Slutwalk Movement

The Slutwalk movement itself began in Toronto in 2011, after a police officer suggested to women that they should “avoid dressing like sluts” as a precaution against sexual assault. The comment, seen as symptomatic of a wider tendency of victim-blaming, provoked a backlash against the propagation of “rape culture”, resulting in the first of a series of Slutwalk protest marches that have since grown into a widespread global movement.

In the wake of the global SlutWalk movement, important questions have emerged about “reclaiming” the word “slut,” whether this form of protest effectively challenges rape cultures, whether it promotes sexual agency while deploring slut-shaming, and whether it reflects the aspirations of women of colour who face different historical and cultural realities without the cushion of white privilege.

When researching Slutwalk movement consider

- How did it start?
- Where and when did it take place?
- Who were some of the key people involved?
- What was its conclusion?
- Did any laws or policies change, or were new ones introduced?

Recommended viewing and reading;

<https://theconversation.com/changing-the-message-about-rape-one-slutwalk-at-a-time-43982>

<https://www.newstatesman.com/politics/feminism/2017/09/amber-roses-slutwalk-controversial-feminist-movement-still-relevant>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gifXXSGtPI8>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ol-ND8oQREc>