SEXUAL CHARGES MADE IN SUIT AGAINST YALE

NEW HAVEN, July 13 (UPI)—Yale University has been charged in a Federal class-action suit with allowing some faculty members to pressure women students into sexual acts.

Attorneys for the university refered inquiries about the suit to a Yale spokesman who labeled the allegations "totally unfounded." He said: "It's untrue and scurrilous. We will fight these charges vigorously. It's simply not true."

Attorney Ann Simon said today that the suit was filed on July 6 on behalf of four Yale women, two of whom graduated this year, and a male faculty member who said he was unable to do his job properly because of the actions of some of his colleagues.

She seeks an injunction in United States District Court to stop what she called the sexual harassment of women at Yale. No money damages are sought, just an end to the alleged practice, which she said was not uncommon. No date for a hearing was set.

"I would suspect that throughout the whole university there are 75 such episodes per semester," she said.

Yale began admitting women in 1969.

The usit acceses Yale of condoning sexual pressures on women students by failing to establish adequate disciplinary procedures. It alleges that one of the women, a member of the Yale Concert Band, had to abandon private study of the flute after an instructor made repeated sexual advances.

An instructor named as a party in the suit said: "The whole thing is entirely unfounded." NYT July 15, 1977