

TABLE 3. Adjusted rate ratios (and 95% confidence intervals) from Cox regression survival analysis assessing associations between selected characteristics of male students and time to sexual initiation

| Characteristic | Adjusted rate ratio |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Ever went out dancing or drinking | 2.9 (1.4–5.9)** |
| High perceived risk for HIV | 1.7 (1.3–2.3)*** |
| High STI knowledge | 1.7 (1.2–2.2)** |
| Ever used methamphetamine | 1.6 (1.3–2.1)*** |
| Has close friend as confidant | 1.6 (1.1–2.4)* |
| Neither parent works in agriculture | 1.5 (1.2–1.9)*** |
| Smoked cigarettes in past 3 mos. | 1.5 (1.2–1.9)** |
| Parents not living together | 1.3 (1.1–1.7)* |

*p<.05. **p<.01. ***p<.001. Note: Variables were eliminated from the model in the following order: sexual orientation, has family member as confidant, age, lives in boarding house or rented room, ever used marijuana, had ≥three alcoholic drinks at one time in past three months, peer pressure to use methamphetamine and STI knowledge.