



South Orange County Community College District

District-Wide Title IX Training

Overview of Title IX Process
Office of Human Resources

District Policies

BP/AR 3430

Unlawful Harassment and Discrimination Prevention and Complaints

BP/AR 3433

Sexual Harassment Prevention and Complaints Under **Title IX**

BP/AR 3540

Sexual and Other Related Assaults on Campus in Campus Programs

BP/AR 3055

Institutional Code of Conduct

Assessing a Sexual Harassment Report

Initial Assessment

- Does report warrant referral to campus police department?
- What immediate interim measures need to be imposed?
- What are the allegations?
- What BP/ARs are implicated?
- Consider overlap with other college departments/areas

Intake

- Outreach to complainant (colleges conduct student outreach first)
- Gather information
- Gather requested resolution
- Discuss interim measures/supportive measures

Assessing a Sexual Harassment Report

Case Assessment

- What is the applicable BP/AR?
- Is informal resolution appropriate?
- Have complainant and respondent been given an overview of the investigation process?
- Have notices been issued?

Investigation

- Is investigator free from conflict and/or bias?
- Are the complainant and respondent receiving regular updates?

Assessing a Sexual Harassment Report

Hearing (Title IX)

- Purpose is to reach both factual findings and policy findings
- Requires cross-examination of parties
- Appeal rights for both complainant and respondent

Corrective Action

- Disciplinary actions or sanctions
- Remedial measures
- Are there any trends? Targeted training opportunities?

IS IT TITLE IX?

Checklist

- ☐ Did the reported conduct take place in the United States?
- ☐ Did the reported conduct take place in a District education program or activity? Do we exercise substantial control over the context in which the events happened? Including on-campus and off-campus property and buildings the District owns or controls
- □ Are the complainant and respondent connected with the college?
- Do the facts as alleged constitute Title IX sexual harassment? Analysis needed by Title IX Officer or Coordinator

If all boxes checked, this is a Title IX case and should be processed under BP/AR 3433

Additional Considerations

- New Title IX regulations are in the works...stay tuned!
- Off-campus reports of sexual harassment and sexual violence must still be addressed by the colleges
- Anonymous reports warrant review and action, as appropriate
- Ensure that the appropriate stakeholders are notified and involved throughout the Title IX process
- Documentation is key
- Maintain confidentiality and balance the requests of the complainant with the severity of the report

Education and Prevention for Students

Current Requirement

Provide preventative education and make victim resources (including victim services info) available in new student orientation programs and in training for student athletes and coaches.

New Requirement As of 9/1/2024

Colleges must **annually** train their students on sexual violence and sexual harassment within 6 months of the beginning of the academic year (AB 2683)



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