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About the Report

This report was created to educate students, prospective students, employees, and prospective employees about Aveda Institute Portland’s safety policies and procedures. Portions of this report are also provided in compliance with the Higher Education Opportunity Act known as the Jeanne Clery Act. The Jeanne Clery Act requires universities and colleges to annually disclose crime statistics and certain policies related to safety and security. It is intended to provide students and their families with accurate, complete, and timely information about safety on campus to aid in making informed decisions.

Portions of this report are provided in compliance with the federal Drug-Free schools and Communities Act and the federal Student Right-To-Know and Campus Security Act. Finally, a portion of this report is provided in compliance with The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act which amended the Jeanne Clery Act to afford additional rights to campus victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

Report Preparation and Distribution

Multiple departments collaborate in order to obtain proper documentation and follow procedures outlined in this report. The Aveda Institute Portland Compliance Manager is primarily charged with compiling and publishing the Annual Security Report (ASR), working with school and enforcement agencies to collect information. The process includes gathering crime statistics from internal and external agencies where appropriate. Our goal is to publish an accurate and complete report for distribution to current and prospective students and staff.

Each year, an email notification is made to all enrolled students that provides the Annual Security Report in an attached file. Faculty and Staff receive a similar notification. Copies of the report may also be obtained through the student reporting system. All prospective students will receive a copy of this report via the student catalog. Prospective employees will receive a copy of this report via the employee handbook. Online, the report can be accessed via the link at avedapdx.com.

Access to Campus Facilities

Aveda Institute Portland adheres to the following precautions in order to ensure the safety of students, staff, and patrons: No one should leave the building at night alone. After the clinic floor is closed, all doors shall be locked. No one will be permitted to remain in the building alone. All students are urged to put away personal property in their lockers, and staff should keep their valuables in a secure place. If a student is dismissed, graduates or fails to return from a leave of absence it is his/her responsibility to empty his/her locker. Failure to do so will result in the lock being cut and contents boxed and held for 10 days. All locker contents held after 10 days will be disposed of.

Emergency Responses and Evacuation Procedures

The following procedure will be used to notify students and staff of a dangerous situation on the school campus; this includes the occurrence of Clery Act crimes. Instructors and staff members have received training on how to handle a pending emergency.

Timely Warning: The Director or person in charge will be responsible to send out a timely warning to the campus community by email or text regarding any health or safety situations. The instructors will ensure all students follow instructions. Any Instructor, Manager, or Director can initiate the alert. The Director or person in charge will notify the police who will notify the neighboring community of impending danger.

Thru our intercom system the following codes may be used to reflect the following:
Code 1: Evacuate the classroom immediately and exit thru the designated paths
Code 2: Evacuate only through the front staircase
Code 3: Dangerous situation outside the campus (such as a gas leak) and no one is allowed to leave the building

To Evacuate the Building (code 1) everyone evacuates the area immediately. Walk to the nearest exit. If you are with a client or if you have a client, take the client with you. Stay calm. Call the fire department, police or ambulance using 911. The person at the reception desk should find the nearest telephone and place the call immediately, but only after leaving.
the building if there is an immediate threat. Provide the following information: Your name and Address: Aveda Institute Portland | 325 NW 13th | Portland, OR 97209 Phone Number: 503.294.6000 Nature of the call: Fire, Police, First Aid, etc. Meet on Flanders between 12th and 13th (next to Cargo) for a head count. You will be asked to stay on the line if at all possible. It is very important that you do this, as the 911 operator will need to get as much information as possible in order to provide the maximum help needed at the scene. Do not hang up unless told to do so by the 911 personnel. 911 Emergency Numbers Police Department (non-emergency) 503.823.0000 1111 SW 2nd Avenue | Portland www.portlandpolice.com Fire Department (non-emergency) 503.823.3700 55 SW Ash Street | Portland www.portlandonline.com

Procedures for Students and Others to report Criminal Actions or other emergencies on campus

We refer all campus law enforcement issues to local police or other authorities since the institution does not have any campus-based security personnel. There is no written memorandum of understanding between Aveda Institute Portland and local authorities. Aveda Institute Portland has designated the manager on duty as the contact person for any issues relating to campus security. We request that students report any criminal activity/actions on campus to the individual designated via the student reporting system with the subject noted as “security issue.” The designated individual will assist the student/employee in reporting the incident to the local police authorities. Please note that victims are not required to report information to school authorities or local police authorities. Anyone remaining alone in the building shall securely lock all doors. Only a school manager or, in his/her absence, another designated individual opens and locks the school.

Please note that Aveda Institute Portland does not employee pastoral counselors or professional counselors. The Aveda Institute Portland does not have a procedure for voluntary, confidential reporting of crime statistics. Violations of the law will be referred to law enforcement agencies and when appropriate investigated by Aveda Institute Portland. When a potentially dangerous threat to Aveda Institute Portland arises, timely reports or warnings will be issued through email announcements, the posting of fliers, in-class announcements, or other appropriate means.

Criminal activity/actions may be reported to the following individuals via the student reporting system with the subject noted as “security issue”:

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<th>Name</th>
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<td>Syd Bernal – School Director</td>
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Campus Security Procedures and Practices – Informing the Student Body and Staff

Employees and students both receive information about campus security procedures, practices, and crime prevention during orientation. Orientation is held for all incoming students on the Thursday prior to their official start date. During orientation, students receive information in regard to crime on campus as well as how to request assistance and report crimes or security issues. Employees and students are encouraged to be responsible for their own security and the security of others. They receive general crime prevention information such as not leaving belongings unattended, how to guard against identity theft and sexual assault prevention and response.
Monitoring and recording off-campus student activity or facilities
Aveda Institute Portland has no off-campus student organizations, nor does it have fraternities or sororities. Aveda Institute Portland will help local law enforcement with Aveda Institute Portland student issues when requested, but we do not actively monitor off-campus, non-school sponsored activities or individuals’ conduct off-campus.

Rules and Policies regarding possession, use, and sale of alcohol, drugs, or tobacco
Aveda Institute Portland is a Drug Free Environment. The use of alcohol, mood-altering, non-prescription chemicals and the abuse of prescription chemicals on the Aveda Institute Portland campus is not allowed. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited at Aveda Institute Portland. The possession, use, and sale of illegal drugs can be enforced by both Federal and State Drug Laws.

Violation of this policy is a severe offense for which the employee or student may be terminated on the first offense. If you have been prescribed a mood-altering chemical by a physician, please notify the Director immediately. Aveda Institute Portland will not illegally discriminate on the basis of this information. Oregon has strong laws allowing vehicles used to transport illegal drugs to be seized and forfeited. Alcohol is an illegal drug for those under 21. Most drugs are illegal, and a criminal conviction may bar a student from his or her chosen career path, or an employee from employment with Aveda Institute Portland. The health-risks associated with use of illicit drugs and alcohol abuse can be serious and numerous. Excessive or chronic alcohol consumption can negatively affect your heart, liver, brain, just to name a few. Alcohol abuse can also be known to cause cancer.

All employees and students, as a condition of employment or enrollment, must agree to abide by the terms of this policy. In addition, all employees and students must notify Aveda Institute Portland of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring on the campus no later than five (5) days after such conviction. Employees or students who appear to have a chemical dependency problem or any other problem that interferes with the performance of their assigned duties will be encouraged to pursue appropriate treatment. If treatment is refused or is not successful and performance is not acceptable, termination may occur. Seeking treatment, in and of itself, will not preclude disciplinary action for policy violations or performance issues which have occurred or continue to occur.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Education programs and counseling
Any student or staff member who has personal concerns about the use or abuse of alcohol is urged to contact the resources below. Passive programming in regard to drug and alcohol abuse education is displayed prominently on student communication board and information is rotated frequently. Students may speak with the Aveda Institute Portland Student Services department or School Director if they would like further assistance. The following resources are listed below:

Alcoholics Anonymous 503-223-8569
Cocaine Anonymous 503-256-1666
Smart Recovery 503-635-2489

Narcotics Anonymous 503-284-1787
Helpline 503-244-1312
Lines for Life 503-244-52
1. Introduction
Aveda Institute Portland (the “Institute”) is committed to providing a working and educational environment for all students, faculty and staff that is free from sex discrimination, including sexual harassment. Every member of the Institute community should be aware that the Institute is strongly opposed to sexual harassment, and that such behavior is prohibited by state and federal laws.

The Institute does not discriminate on the basis of sex in its educational, extracurricular, or other programs or in the context of employment. Sex discrimination is prohibited by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, a federal law that provides:

No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

As part of the Institute’s commitment to providing a working and learning environment free from sexual harassment, this Policy shall be disseminated widely to the Institute community through publications, the Institute website, new employee orientations, student orientations, and other appropriate channels of communication. The Institute provides training to key staff members to enable the Institute to handle any allegations of sexual harassment promptly and effectively. The Institute will respond promptly to all reports of sexual harassment, and will take appropriate action to prevent, to correct, and if necessary, to discipline behavior that violates this Policy.

2. Scope of the Policy
This Policy governs sexual harassment that occurs in the Institute’s education programs or activities. This Policy applies to all students, employees, and third parties conducting business with the Institute, regardless of the person’s gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, race, nationality, class status, ability, religion or other protected status. The Institute encourages victims of sexual harassment to talk to somebody about what happened – so victims can get the support they need, and so the Institute can respond appropriately. As further described in this Policy, the Institute will seek to respect a victim’s request for confidentiality to the extent possible, while remaining ever mindful of the victim’s well-being.

3. Prohibited Conduct
Sexual harassment comprises a broad range of behaviors focused on sex that may or may not be sexual in nature. Sexual harassment includes an Institute employee conditioning the provision of an Institute aid, benefit, or service on an individual’s participation in unwelcome sexual conduct. Unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to the Institute’s education programs or activities also constitutes sexual harassment. Sexual assault, stalking, domestic violence, and dating violence are all forms of sexual harassment. Retaliation following an incident of alleged sexual harassment or attempted sexual harassment is strictly prohibited. The definitions for specific acts of sexual harassment can be found in the Definitions of Key Terms at the end of this Policy statement.

Sexual harassment can occur between strangers or acquaintances, or people who know each other well, including between people involved in an intimate or sexual relationship, can be committed by anyone regardless of gender identity, and can occur between people of the same or different sex or gender. This Policy prohibits all forms of sexual harassment.

4. Options for Assistance Following an Incident of Sexual Harassment
The Institute strongly encourages any victim of sexual harassment to seek immediate assistance. Seeking prompt assistance may be important to ensure a victim’s physical safety or to obtain medical care. The Institute strongly
advocates that a victim of sexual harassment report the incident in a timely manner. Time is a critical factor for evidence collection and preservation.

**Reporting Incidents of Sexual Harassment**

Victims of sexual harassment may file a report with the Portland or Vancouver Police Department, as appropriate. Victims may also file a report with the Institute’s Title IX Coordinators. More information about reporting an incident of sexual harassment can be found in Section 6 of this Policy, below.

The Institute will respond promptly when it has actual knowledge of sexual harassment in its education programs or activities. The Title IX Coordinator will promptly contact the complainant to discuss the availability of supportive measures as described below, consider the complainant’s wishes with respect to supportive measures, inform the complainant of the availability of supportive measures with or without the filing of a formal complaint, and explain to the complainant the process for filing a formal complaint. The Institute will also provide the complainant with written notification about assistance available both within and outside of the Institute community.

A complainant may choose for the investigation to be pursued through the criminal justice system and/or through the Institute’s disciplinary procedures by filing a formal complaint as described in this Policy. The Institute and the criminal justice system work independently from each other. Law enforcement officers do not determine whether a violation of this Policy has occurred. The Title IX Coordinator will guide the complainant through the available options and support the complainant in his or her decision.

**Supportive Measures**

The Institute’s Title IX Coordinators will work with all students affected by sexual harassment to ensure their safety and support their wellbeing. This assistance may include providing supportive measures to support or protect a student after an incident of sexual harassment and while an investigation or disciplinary proceeding is pending. Supportive measures are non-disciplinary, non-punitive individualized services offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, and without fee or charge to the complainant or the respondent before or after the filing of a formal complaint or where no formal complaint has been filed. Such measures are designed to restore or preserve equal access to the Institute’s education programs and activities without unreasonably burdening the other party, including measures designed to protect the safety of all parties or the Institute’s educational environment, or deter sexual harassment.

Supportive measures may include:

- counseling,
- extensions of deadlines or other course-related adjustments,
- modifications of work or class schedules,
- campus escort services,
- mutual restrictions on contact between the parties,
- changes in work or housing locations,
- leaves of absence,
- increased security and monitoring of certain areas of the campus, and
- other similar measures.

The Institute will maintain as confidential any supportive measures provided to the complainant or respondent, to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the ability of the Institute to provide the supportive measures. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for coordinating the effective implementation of supportive measures.

The measures needed by each student may change over time, and the Title IX Coordinator will communicate with each student throughout any investigation to ensure that any supportive measures are necessary and effective based on the students’ evolving needs. Students who report an incident of sexual harassment may also be able to obtain a formal
protection order from a civil or criminal court. The Institute will work with the student and the applicable court to assist in the enforcement of any such protective orders.

Support Services Available
Counseling, advocacy and support services are available for complainants, whether or not a complainant chooses to make an official report or participate in the Institute’s disciplinary or criminal process. *Aveda Institute Portland does not provide counseling or health care services.*

Sexual harassment crisis and counseling options are available locally and nationally through a number of agencies, including:

**National Resources:**
- **National Sexual Assault Hotline**: 800-656-4673
- **National Domestic Violence Hotline**: 800-799-7233
- **Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network**: [https://rainn.org](https://rainn.org)
- **National Institute of Mental Health**: [www.nimh.nih.gov](http://www.nimh.nih.gov)
- **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration**: [www.samhsa.gov/find-help/national-helpline](http://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/national-helpline), 1-800-662-HELP (4357)

**Local Resources:**
- **Call to Safety (formerly The Portland Women’s Crisis Line)**
  503-235-5333
  [www.calltosal.org](http://www.calltosal.org)
- **Washington State Domestic Violence Hotline**
  1-800-562-6025

**Evidence Preservation**
Victims of sexual assault, domestic violence or dating violence should consider seeking medical attention as soon as possible. It is important that a victim of sexual assault not bathe, douche, smoke, change clothing or clean the bed/linen where they were assaulted so that evidence necessary to prove criminal activity may be preserved. In circumstances where the victims do not opt for forensic evidence collection, health care providers can still treat injuries and take steps to address health concerns. Victims of sexual harassment are encouraged to also preserve evidence by saving text messages, instant messages, social networking pages, other communications, and keeping pictures, logs or other copies of documents, if they have any, that would be useful in connection with an Institute or police investigation.

5. **Title IX Coordinator**
The Institute’s Title IX Coordinators are responsible for monitoring and overseeing the Institute’s compliance with Title IX and the prevention of sexual harassment and discrimination. The Title IX Coordinators are:
- Knowledgeable and trained in Institute policies and procedures and relevant state and federal laws;
- Available to advise any individual, including a complainant, respondent, or a third party, about Institute and community resources and reporting options;
- Available to provide assistance to any Institute employee regarding how to respond appropriately to a report of Title IX-related prohibited conduct and related retaliation;
● Participate in ensuring the effective implementation of this Policy, including monitoring compliance with all procedural requirements, record keeping, and timeframes; and
● Responsible for overseeing training, prevention, and education efforts and annual reviews of climate and culture.

Inquiries or concerns about Title IX may be referred to the Institute’s Title IX Coordinators:

Portland Campus
Onsite Title IX Coordinator:
Niki Sparks
325 NW 13th Avenue
Portland, OR 97209
(503) 517-2579
Niki.sparks@avedapdx.com

Vancouver Campus
Onsite Title IX Coordinator
Noelle Sanborn
6615 NE 4th Plain Boulevard
Vancouver, WA 98661
(360) 326-1264
Noelle.Sanborn@avedapdx.com

Offsite Title IX Coordinator
Tracie Bryant
Corporate Office
1018 SE 8th Avenue
Portland, OR 97214
(503) 517-2580
Tracie@avedapdx.com

6. Reporting Policies and Protocols
The Institute strongly encourages all members of the Institute community to report information about any incident of sexual harassment as soon as possible. Reports can be made either to the Institute and/or to law enforcement.

Reporting to the Institute
An incident of sexual harassment may be reported to an Institute Title IX Coordinator or to a designated Institute official, as described in Section 7 below. No other Institute officials or employees have the authority to institute corrective measures under these Policies and Procedures on behalf of the Institute. The Institute will not be deemed to have actual knowledge of alleged sexual harassment unless an Institute Title IX Coordinator or a designated Institute official possess such knowledge. Reports of sexual harassment to Institute officials or employees other than a Title IX Coordinator or a designated Institute official will not confer actual knowledge to the Institute of such allegations, unless a Title IX Coordinator or designated Institute official subsequently obtain such actual knowledge.

If a Title IX Coordinator is the alleged perpetrator of the sexual harassment, the report should be submitted to another Title IX Coordinator or a designated Institute official. Filing a report with an Institute official will not obligate the victim to prosecute, nor will it subject the victim to scrutiny or judgmental opinions from officers.
Any person may report sex discrimination, including sexual harassment (whether or not the person reporting is the person alleged to be the victim of conduct that could constitute sex discrimination or sexual harassment), in person, by mail, by telephone, or by electronic mail, using the contact information listed in Section 6 for the Title IX Coordinators, or by any other means that results in a Title IX Coordinator or a designated Institute official receiving the person’s verbal or written report. Such a report may be made at any time (including during non-business hours) by using the telephone number or email address, or by mail to the office address, listed for the Title IX Coordinators.

While there is no time limit for reporting, reports of sex discrimination or harassment should be brought forward as soon as possible. All incidents should be reported even if significant time has elapsed, but prompt reporting will better enable the Institute to respond, investigate, provide an appropriate remedy, and impose discipline if appropriate. Note that if a complainant seeks to file a formal complaint for the Institute to initiate an investigation into allegations of sexual harassment, the complainant must be participating in or attempting to participate in the Institute’s education programs or activities at the time of filing such formal complaint. The Institute is committed to supporting the rights of a person reporting an incident of sexual harassment to make an informed choice among options and services available.

The Institute will respond to all reports in a manner that treats each individual with dignity and respect and will take prompt responsive action to end any harassment, prevent its recurrence, and address its effects.

Reporting to Law Enforcement
An incident of sexual harassment can be reported to law enforcement at any time, 24 hours a day/7 days a week, by calling 911. At the complainant’s request, the Institute will assist the complainant in contacting law enforcement. If the complainant decides to pursue the criminal process, the Institute will cooperate with law enforcement agencies to the extent permitted by law. A complainant has the option to decide whether or not to participate in any investigation conducted by law enforcement. Filing a police report will:

- Ensure that a victim of sexual assault receives the necessary medical treatment and tests
- Provide the opportunity for collection of evidence helpful in prosecution, which cannot be obtained later (ideally a victim of sexual assault should not wash, douche, use the toilet, or change clothing prior to a medical/legal exam)

Reporting of Crimes & Annual Security Reports
Campus safety and security are important issues at Aveda Institute Portland. Our goal is to provide students with a safe environment in which to learn and to keep students, parents, and employees well informed about campus security. The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, or Clery Act, requires institutions of higher education to record and report certain information about campus safety, including the number of incidents of certain crimes on or near campus, some of which constitute sexual harassment under this Policy.

Each year the Institute prepares an annual security report to comply with the Clery Act. The full text of this report can be located on the Institute’s web site at www.avedapdx.com. This report is prepared in cooperation with the local law enforcement agencies around our campus. Each year notification is made to all enrolled students and employees that provides the web site to access this report. Copies of the report may also be obtained in person from the campus Director at each campus or by calling (503) 517-2579 (Portland campus) or (360) 326-0567 (Vancouver campus). All prospective employees may also obtain a copy from the campus Director.

Timely Warnings
In the event that a situation arises, either on or off campus, that, in the judgment of the campus Director constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat, a campus wide “timely warning” will be issued. The Director will immediately notify the Institute community upon the confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or staff occurring at the Institute, unless issuing a notification will compromise efforts to contain the emergency. The warning will be issued through the most effective and efficient means available and may include instant messaging to students and Institute employees. Notices may also be posted in the common areas.
throughout the Institute. Anyone with information warranting a timely warning should report the circumstances to the Director by phone at (503) 517-2579 (Portland campus) or (360) 326-0567 (Vancouver campus), or in person at the Institute. The Institute will provide adequate follow-up information to the community as needed.

Third-Party and Anonymous Reporting
In cases where sexual harassment is reported to a Title IX Coordinator or a designated Institute official by someone other than the complainant (by an instructor, classmate, or friend, for example), the Title IX Coordinator will promptly notify the complainant that a report has been received. This Policy and the Procedures will apply in the same manner as if the complainant had made the initial report. The Title IX Coordinator will make every effort to meet with the complainant to discuss available options and resources. Reports from an anonymous source will be treated in a similar fashion.

No Retaliation
The Institute prohibits retaliation against any individual for the purpose of interfering with any right or privilege secured by Title IX, or because the individual has made a report or complaint, testified, assisted, or participated or refused to participate in any manner in a Title IX investigation, proceeding, or hearing. The Institute will take strong responsive action if retaliation occurs. Any incident of retaliation should be promptly reported to the Title IX Coordinator or the campus Director.

Except as may otherwise be required by law, the Institute will keep confidential the identity of any individual who has made a report or complaint of sex discrimination, including any complainant, any individual who has been reported to be the perpetrator of sex discrimination, any respondent, and any witness.

Charging an individual with a violation of the Institute’s code of conduct for making a materially false statement in bad faith in the course of a grievance proceeding does not constitute retaliation, provided, however, that a determination regarding responsibility, alone, is not sufficient to conclude that any party made a materially false statement in bad faith.

Coordination With Drug Free Institute Policy
Students may be reluctant to report instances of sexual harassment because they fear being disciplined pursuant to the Institute’s alcohol or drug policies. The Institute encourages students to report all instances of sexual harassment and will take into consideration the importance of reporting sexual harassment in addressing violations of the Institute’s alcohol and drug policies. This means that, whenever possible, the Institute will respond educationally rather than punitively to student alcohol or drug policy violations associated with reported sexual harassment.

7. Institute Policy on Confidentiality
The Institute encourages victims of sexual harassment to talk to somebody about what happened – so victims can get the support they need, and so the Institute can respond appropriately.

This Policy is intended to make students aware of the various reporting and confidential disclosure options available to them – so they can make informed choices about where to turn should they become a victim of sexual harassment. The Institute encourages victims to talk to someone identified in one or more of these groups.

Privileged and Confidential Communications – Professional & Pastoral Counselors
Professional, licensed counselors and pastoral counselors who provide mental-health counseling to members of the community (and including those who act in that role under the supervision of a licensed counselor) are not required to report any information about an incident to the Title IX Coordinator without a victim's permission. The Institute does not provide professional or pastoral counseling, but can assist a victim of sexual harassment in obtaining support services from these groups or agencies. Contact information for these support organizations is listed in Section 4 of this Policy.

NOTE: While these professional and pastoral counselors and advocates may maintain a victim’s confidentiality vis-à-vis
the Institute, they may have reporting or other obligations under state law.

**ALSO NOTE:** If the Institute determines that the alleged perpetrator(s) pose a serious and immediate threat to the Institute community, the campus Director may be called upon to issue a timely warning to the community. Any such warning should not include any information that identifies the victim.

**Reporting to a Designated Institute Official**
A "designated Institute official" is an Institute employee who has the authority to institute corrective measures on behalf of the Institute upon actual notice of sexual harassment.

A designated Institute official will report to the Title IX Coordinator all relevant details about the alleged sexual harassment shared by the complainant – including the names of the complainant and respondent, any witnesses, and any other relevant facts, including the date, time and specific location of the alleged incident.

To the extent possible, information reported to a designated Institute official will be shared only with people responsible for handling the Institute’s response to the report. Designated Institute officials should not share information with law enforcement without the complainant’s consent or unless the complainant has also reported the incident to law enforcement.

In addition to the Title IX Coordinators, the Institute’s designated Institute officials include the Institute’s Owners and campus Directors.

Before a complainant reveals any information to a designated Institute official, the official should ensure that the complainant understands the official’s reporting obligations – and, if the complainant wants to maintain confidentiality, direct the complainant to confidential resources.

If the complainant wants to tell the designated Institute official what happened but also maintain confidentiality, the official should tell the complainant that the Institute will consider the request but cannot guarantee that the Institute will be able to honor it. In reporting the details of the incident to the Title IX Coordinator, the official will also inform the Coordinator of the complainant’s request for confidentiality.

Designated Institute officials will not pressure a complainant to request confidentiality, but will honor and support the complainant’s wishes, including for the Institute to fully investigate an incident. By the same token, designated Institute officials will not pressure a complainant to make a formal complaint and initiate an Institute investigation if the complainant is not ready to do so.

A complainant who at first requests confidentiality may later decide to file a formal complaint with the Institute or report the incident to local law enforcement, and thus have the incident fully investigated.

**Reporting to Title IX Coordinator**
To the extent possible, information reported to a Title IX Coordinator will be shared only with people responsible for handling the Institute’s response to the report. The Title IX Coordinator should not share information with law enforcement without the complainant’s consent or unless the complainant has also reported the incident to law enforcement.

Before a complainant reveals any information to a Title IX Coordinator, the Coordinator should ensure that the complainant understands the Coordinator’s reporting obligations – and, if the complainant wants to maintain confidentiality, direct the complainant to confidential resources. If the complainant wants to tell the Title IX Coordinator
what happened but also maintain confidentiality, the Coordinator should tell the complainant that the Institute will consider the request but cannot guarantee that the Institute will be able to honor it.

The Title IX Coordinator will not pressure a complainant to request confidentiality, but will honor and support the complainant’s wishes, including for the Institute to fully investigate an incident. By the same token, the Title IX Coordinator will not pressure a complainant to make a formal complaint and initiate an Institute investigation if the complainant is not ready to do so.

Requesting Confidentiality: How the Institute Will Weigh the Request and Respond

If a complainant discloses an incident to a Title IX Coordinator but wishes to maintain confidentiality or requests that no investigation into a particular incident be conducted or disciplinary action taken, the Institute must weigh that request against the Institute’s obligation to provide a safe, non-discriminatory environment for all students, including the complainant.

If the Institute honors the request for confidentiality, a complainant must understand that the Institute’s ability to investigate the incident and pursue disciplinary action against the respondent will be limited. A complainant may provide the Title IX Coordinator with confidential knowledge of alleged sexual harassment and receive supportive measures from the Institute without the complainant filing a formal complaint and initiating an investigation. Although rare, there are times when the Institute may not be able to honor a complainant’s request in order to provide a safe, non-discriminatory environment for all students.

The Title IX Coordinator will evaluate requests for confidentiality. When weighing a complainant’s request for confidentiality or that no investigation or discipline be pursued, the Title IX Coordinator will consider a range of factors, including the following:

- The increased risk that the respondent will commit additional acts of sexual harassment or other violence, such as:
  - whether there have been other sexual harassment complaints about the same respondent;
  - whether the respondent has a history of arrests or records from a prior Institute indicating a history of violence;
  - whether the respondent threatened further sexual harassment or other violence against the complainant or others;
  - whether the sexual harassment was committed by multiple respondents;
- Whether the sexual harassment was perpetrated with a weapon;
- Whether the complainant is a minor;
- Whether the Institute possesses other means to obtain relevant evidence of the sexual harassment (e.g., security cameras or personnel, physical evidence); and
- Whether the complainant’s report reveals a pattern of perpetration (e.g., via illicit use of drugs or alcohol) at a given location or by a particular group.

The presence of one or more of these factors could lead the Title IX Coordinator to file a formal complaint to investigate and, if appropriate, pursue disciplinary action. If none of these factors are present, the Institute will likely respect the complainant’s request for confidentiality.

If the Institute determines that it cannot maintain a complainant’s confidentiality, the Institute will inform the complainant prior to starting an investigation and will, to the extent possible, only share information with people responsible for handling the Institute’s response. The Institute will remain ever mindful of the complainant’s well-being, and will take ongoing steps to protect the complainant from retaliation or harm and work with the complainant to create a safety plan. Retaliation against the complainant, whether by students or Institute employees, will not be tolerated. The Institute will also:

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● Assist the complainant in accessing other available victim advocacy, academic support, counseling, disability, health or mental health services, and legal assistance;
● Provide other security and support, which could include issuing a no-contact order, helping arrange a change of course schedules (including for the respondent pending the outcome of an investigation), or adjustments for assignments or tests; and
● Inform the complainant of the right to report a crime to local law enforcement – and provide the complainant with assistance if the complainant wishes to do so.

The Institute may not require a complainant to participate in any investigation or disciplinary proceeding.

Because the Institute is under a continuing obligation to address the issue of sexual harassment campus-wide, reports of sexual harassment (including non-identifying reports) will also prompt the Institute to consider broader remedial action – such as increased monitoring, supervision, or security at locations where the reported sexual harassment occurred; increasing education and prevention efforts, including to targeted population groups; conducting climate assessments/victimization surveys; and/or revisiting its policies and practices.

If the Institute determines that it can respect a complainant’s request for confidentiality, the Institute will also take action as necessary to protect and assist the complainant. This includes the Title IX Coordinator promptly contacting the complainant to discuss the availability of supportive measures. A complainant’s request for confidentiality will limit the Institute’s ability to investigate a particular matter. The Institute may take steps to limit the effects of the alleged sexual harassment and prevent its recurrence without initiating formal action against the respondent or revealing the identity of the student complainant. Examples include providing increased monitoring, supervision, or security at locations or activities where the harassment occurred; providing training and education materials for students and employees; revising and publicizing the Institute’s policies on sexual harassment; and conducting climate surveys regarding sexual harassment.

Off-campus Counselors and Advocates
Off-campus counselors, advocates, and health care providers will also generally maintain confidentiality and not share information with the Institute unless the complainant requests the disclosure and signs a consent or waiver form. Contact information for these off-campus resources can be found in Section 4 of this Policy.

8. Formal Complaint Investigation Procedures and Protocols
The Institute will investigate all formal complaints of sexual harassment. A formal complaint must be in writing filed by a complainant or signed by a Title IX Coordinator alleging sexual harassment against a respondent and requesting that the Institute investigate the allegation of sexual harassment. A formal complaint form may be obtained from the Title IX Coordinator, although no particular form is required to submit a formal complaint so long as the complaint is in writing, signed by a complainant, alleges sexual harassment against a respondent, and requests an investigation. The Institute’s Title IX Coordinators oversee the Institute’s investigation, response to, and resolution of all reports of prohibited sexual harassment, and of related retaliation, involving students, faculty, and staff.

As soon as practicable after receiving a formal complaint, the Title IX Coordinator will make an initial assessment of the formal complaint to determine whether the formal complaint, on its face, alleges an act prohibited by this Policy. If the Title IX Coordinator determines the formal complaint states facts which, if true, could constitute sexual harassment in violation of this Policy, the Title IX Coordinator will proceed through the formal investigation process (see below). If the Title IX Coordinator determines the complainant’s report does not state facts that, if true, could constitute a violation of this Policy, the Title IX Coordinator will communicate this determination in writing to the complainant. In such circumstances the complainant may still file a report with the federal Office for Civil Rights, the police, or seek available civil remedies through the judicial system. The complainant may also re-file the report with the Institute upon discovery of additional facts.
The Institute will dismiss a formal complaint if the conduct alleged in the formal complaint would not constitute sexual harassment under Title IX even if proved, did not occur in the Institute’s education program or activity, or did not occur against a person in the United States. **Such dismissal does not preclude action under another provision of the Institute’s code of conduct.** The Institute may dismiss the formal complaint if a complainant notifies the Title IX Coordinator in writing that the complainant would like to withdraw the formal complaint; the respondent is no longer enrolled or employed by the Institute; or specific circumstances prevent the Institute from gathering evidence sufficient to reach a determination as to the formal complaint or allegations therein. The Institute will promptly send written notice of the dismissal and reasons therefor simultaneously to the parties.

**Notice**

Upon receipt of a formal complaint, the Institute will provide written notice of the Institute’s grievance process to the parties who are known. The Institute will also provide the parties with notice of the allegations of sexual harassment potentially constituting sexual harassment, including sufficient details known at the time and with sufficient time to prepare a response before any initial interview. Sufficient details include the identities of the parties involved in the incident, if known; the conduct allegedly constituting sexual harassment; and the date and location of the alleged incident, if known. The written notice will include a statement that the respondent is presumed not responsible for the alleged conduct and that a determination regarding responsibility is made at the conclusion of the grievance process. The written notice will inform the parties that they may have an advisor of their choice, who may be, but is not required to be, an attorney, and may inspect and review evidence that is submitted to and/or collected by the Institute in connection with the investigation. The written notice will also inform the parties of any provision in the Institute’s code of conduct that prohibits knowingly making false statements or knowingly submitting false information during the grievance process.

If, in the course of an investigation, the Institute decides to investigate allegations about the complainant or respondent that are not included in a prior notice provided to the parties, the Institute will provide notice of the additional allegations to the parties whose identities are known.

**Voluntary Resolution**

Voluntary resolution, when selected by all parties and deemed appropriate by the Title IX Coordinator, is a path designed to eliminate the conduct at issue, prevent its recurrence, and remedy its effects in a manner that meets the safety and welfare needs of the Institute community. If all parties voluntarily agree to participate in an informal resolution that does not involve a full investigation and adjudication after receiving notice of a formal complaint, and if the Institute determines that the particular formal complaint is appropriate for such a process, the Institute will facilitate an informal resolution to assist the parties in reaching a voluntary resolution. The Institute retains the discretion to determine which cases are appropriate for voluntary resolution.

Voluntary resolution may include: conducting targeted or broad-based educational programming or training for relevant individuals or groups; providing increased monitoring, supervision, or security at locations or activities where the harassment occurred; facilitating a meeting with the respondent and the complainant present; and any other remedy that can be tailored to the involved individuals to achieve the goals of the Policy.

Voluntary resolution may also include restorative principles that are designed to allow a respondent to accept responsibility for harassment and acknowledge harm to the complainant or to the Institute community. Restorative models will be used only with the consent of both parties and following a determination by the Title IX Coordinator that the matter is appropriate for a restorative approach.

The Institute will not compel parties to engage in mediation or to participate in any particular form of informal resolution. As the title implies, participation in voluntary resolution is a choice, and either party can request to end this manner of resolution and pursue an investigation and adjudication at any time, including if voluntary resolution is unsuccessful at resolving the complaint.
In connection with any informal resolution process, the Institute will provide written notice to the parties disclosing the allegations and the requirements of the informal resolution process. The Institute will notify the parties that any time prior to agreeing to a resolution, any party has the right to withdraw from the informal resolution process and resume the grievance process with respect to the formal complaint. The Institute must obtain the parties’ voluntary, written consent to the informal resolution process. The informal resolution process may not be utilized to resolve allegations that an Institute employee sexually harassed a student.

The time frame for completion of voluntary resolution may vary, but the Institute will seek to complete the process within 15 days of all the parties’ request for voluntary resolution.

**Formal Investigation Process**

The burden of proof and the burden of gathering evidence sufficient to reach a determination regarding responsibility rests on the Institute and not on the parties. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for the investigation of a formal complaint. The Title IX Coordinator may designate a specially trained investigator (or team of investigators) to conduct the investigation.

The Institute’s process for responding to, investigating, and adjudicating sexual harassment reports will continue during any law enforcement proceeding. The investigator may need to temporarily delay an investigation while the police are gathering evidence but will resume the investigation after learning that the police department has completed its evidence-gathering and will generally not wait for the conclusion of any related criminal proceeding.

The investigator will interview the complainant, respondent, and any witnesses. They will also gather pertinent documentary materials (if any) and other information. The Institute will provide, to a party whose participation is invited or expected, written notice of the date, time, location, participants, and purpose of all hearings, investigative interviews, or other meetings, with sufficient time for the party to prepare to participate. Each party shall have an equal opportunity to present witnesses, including fact and expert witnesses, and other inculpatory and exculpatory evidence. The Institute will not restrict the ability of either party to discuss the allegations under investigation or to gather and present relevant evidence.

**Time Frame for Investigation**

Consistent with the goal to maximize educational opportunities and minimize the disruptive nature of the investigation and resolution, the Title IX Coordinator seeks to resolve all reports in a timely manner. In general, an investigation may last up to 30 days, from receipt of a formal complaint from the complainant or the Title IX Coordinator of the request to proceed with an investigation. Adjudication will generally take up to 30 days from the date the investigative report is provided to both the complainant and the respondent. The Title IX Coordinator may set reasonable time frames for required actions under the Policy. Those time frames may be extended for good cause as necessary to ensure the integrity and completeness of the investigation, comply with a request by external law enforcement, accommodate the availability of witnesses, accommodate absences or delays by the parties, the need for language assistance or accommodation of disabilities, account for Institute breaks or vacations, or address other legitimate reasons, including the complexity of the investigation (including the number of witnesses and volume of information provided by the parties) and the severity and extent of the alleged conduct. Any extension of the timeframes, and the reason for the extension, will be shared simultaneously with the parties in writing. Best efforts will be made to complete the process in a timely manner by balancing principles of thoroughness and fundamental fairness with promptness.

Where necessary, the Institute will take prompt steps to protect complainants pending the final outcome of an investigation, including the provision of supportive measures to the complainant and/or the respondent. The Institute may remove a respondent from the Institute’s education programs or activities on an emergency basis, provided that the Institute undertakes an individualized safety and risk analysis, determines that an immediate threat to the physical health or safety of any student or other individual arising from the allegations of sexual harassment justifies removal, and provides the respondent with notice and an opportunity to challenge the decision immediately following the removal. The
Institute may place a non-student employee respondent on administrative leave during the pendency of a grievance process.

The Institute will provide both parties an equal opportunity to inspect and review any evidence obtained as part of the investigation that is directly related to the allegations raised in the formal complaint, including the evidence upon which the Institute does not intend to rely in reaching a determination regarding responsibility and inculpatory or exculpatory evidence, whether obtained from a party or other source, so that each party can meaningfully respond to the evidence prior to conclusion of the investigation. Prior to completion of the investigative report, the Institute will send to each party and the party’s advisor, if any, the evidence subject to inspection and review in an electronic format or a hard copy, and the parties will have at least 10 days to submit a written response, which the investigator will consider prior to completion of the investigative report. The Institute will make all such evidence subject to the parties’ inspection and review available at any hearing to give each party equal opportunity to refer to such evidence during the hearing, including for purposes of cross-examination.

Investigation Report

The investigator will prepare an investigative report that fairly summarizes relevant evidence and, at least 10 days prior to a hearing, send to each party and the party’s advisor, if any, the investigative report in an electronic format or a hard copy, for their review and written response. Such report will include a statement of the allegations and issues, the positions of the complainant and respondent, a summary of the evidence (including from interviews and documentation gathered), an explanation why any proffered evidence was not investigated, assessment of individual credibility, findings of fact, and an analysis of whether a violation of the Policy has occurred. The investigator will use “preponderance of the evidence” as the standard of proof to determine whether a violation of the Policy occurred. Preponderance of the evidence means that the investigator must be convinced based on the information it considers that the respondent was more likely than not to have engaged in the conduct at issue in order to find the respondent responsible for violating the Policy. The complainant and respondent will be simultaneously notified of the completion of the investigation and provided with the investigator’s report.

9. Grievance/Adjudication Procedures

Hearing Panel

The Institute will convene a hearing panel following the end of the investigation. The hearing panel determines whether the respondent is responsible or not responsible for a violation of the Policy.

The hearing panel will consist of three members. The Title IX Coordinator will designate the members of the hearing panel but will not serve as a panel member. The investigator responsible for the Institute’s investigation of the formal complaint may not serve as a panel member. The hearing panel members may include administrators, officers, lawyers, or other individuals with relevant experience and special training. Panel members may participate remotely so long as the Institute utilizes technology enabling the panel members and parties to simultaneously see and hear the party or witness answering questions. All panelists will receive training from experts in the field at least once a year. In addition to training on how the adjudicatory process works, the training will include specific instruction about how to approach students about sensitive issues that may arise in the context of sexual harassment. The complainant and respondent will be informed of the panel’s membership before the hearing process begins. A complainant and/or respondent may challenge the participation of a panel member because of perceived conflict of interest, bias, or prejudice. Such challenges, including rationale, must be made to the Title IX Coordinator at least three days prior to the commencement of the hearing. At its discretion, the Title IX Coordinator will determine whether such a conflict of interest exists and whether a panel member should be replaced. Postponement of a hearing may occur if a replacement panelist cannot be immediately identified.

Advisors

Both the complainant and the respondent are entitled to be accompanied to any meeting or proceeding relating to the allegation of sexual harassment by an advisor or support person of their choice, provided the involvement of such advisor or support person does not result in the postponement or delay of such meeting as scheduled.
Written Submissions
Both the complainant and respondent will have the opportunity to submit written responses to the investigation report and other relevant information to the hearing panel. Each of the complainant and respondent will have the opportunity to review any written submissions by the other. The hearing panel may set reasonable parameters for these written submissions. The hearing panel will review the investigation report and written submissions.

Hearing Procedures
The Title IX Coordinator will give the complainant and respondent at least 10 calendar days’ advance notice of the hearing. The Title IX Coordinator may arrange to hold the hearing at an off-campus location. The hearing is a closed proceeding, meaning that no one other than the panel members, the complainant and respondent, their respective advisors, witnesses (when called), and necessary Institute personnel may be present during the proceeding. The campus Director will work with Institute staff so that any student whose presence is required may participate in the hearing.

In general, hearings will proceed as follows:

- The Title IX Coordinator may set reasonable time limits for any part of the hearing. Each of the complainant and respondent will have the opportunity to present witnesses and other information consistent with the Policy and these Procedures. The panel may determine the relevance of, place restrictions on, or exclude any witnesses or information. When the complainant and respondent are not able to be present for the hearing panel, arrangements will be made for participation virtually, with technology enabling the participants to see and hear each other simultaneously.
- In cases where either the complainant or respondent opts not to participate in the hearing, the panel may still hear from the other.
- Additional hearing rules include:
  - Cross Examination. At the hearing, the hearing panel shall permit each party’s advisor to ask the other party and any witnesses all relevant questions and follow-up questions, including those challenging credibility. Such cross-examination at the live hearing must be conducted directly, orally, and in real time by the party’s advisor of choice and never by a party personally.
  - At the request of either party, the Institute will provide for the hearing to occur with the parties located in separate rooms with technology enabling the hearing panel members and parties to simultaneously see and hear the party or the witness answering questions.
  - Only relevant cross-examination and other questions may be asked of a party or witness. Before a complainant, respondent, or witness answers a cross-examination or other question, the hearing panel must first determine whether the question is relevant and explain any decision to exclude a question as not relevant.
  - If a party does not have an advisor present at the live hearing, the Institute will provide without fee or charge to that party, an advisor of the Institute’s choice, who may be, but is not required to be, an attorney, to conduct cross-examination on behalf of that party.
  - Information Regarding Romantic or Sexual History. Questions and evidence about the complainant’s sexual predisposition or prior sexual behavior are not relevant, unless such questions and evidence about the complainant’s prior sexual behavior are offered to prove that someone other than the respondent committed the conduct alleged by the complainant, or if the questions and evidence concern specific incidents of the complainant’s prior sexual behavior with respect to the respondent and are offered to prove consent. The existence of a prior consensual dating or sexual relationship between the complainant and respondent by itself does not support an inference of consent to alleged sexual harassment.
  - Prior Conduct Violations. The hearing panel will not consider the respondent’s prior conduct violations, unless the investigator provided that information to the hearing panel because the respondent was previously found to be responsible, and the previous incident was substantially similar to the present allegation(s) and/or the information indicates a pattern of behavior by the respondent.
  - If a party or witness does not submit to cross-examination at live hearing, the hearing panel will not rely on any statement of that party or witness in reaching a determination regarding responsibility; provided, however, that the hearing panel will not draw an inference about the determination regarding
responsibility based solely on a party’s or witness’s absence from the hearing or refusal to answer cross-examination or other questions.

- The Institute will not require, allow, rely upon, or otherwise use questions or evidence that constitute, or seek disclosure of, information protected under a legally recognized privilege, unless the person holding such privilege has waived the privilege.
- Live hearings may be conducted with all parties physically present in the same geographic location or, at the Institute’s discretion, any or all parties, witnesses, and other participants may appear at the live hearing virtually, with technology enabling participants to see and hear each other simultaneously.

The Institute will create an audio or audiovisual recording, or transcript, of any hearing and make it available to the parties for inspection and review. The panelists may request a copy or transcript of the recording. Cell phones and recording devices may not be used in the hearing room(s) unless approved by the panel in advance.

Panel Determinations/Standard of Proof

The hearing panel will issue a written determination regarding responsibility. The panel will use “preponderance of the evidence” as the standard of proof to determine whether a violation of the Policy occurred. Preponderance of the evidence means that a panel must be convinced based on the information it considers that the respondent was more likely than not to have engaged in the conduct at issue in order to find the respondent responsible for violating the Policy. The panel will find a student responsible, or not responsible, based on a majority vote. The panel will generally render a written determination within 10 calendar days after the conclusion of a hearing.

The panel’s written determination will include:

a) Identification of the allegations potentially constituting sexual harassment;
b) A description of the procedural steps taken from the receipt of the formal complaint through the determination, including any notifications to the parties, interviews with parties and witnesses, site visits, methods used to gather other evidence, and hearings held;
c) Findings of fact supporting the determination;
d) Conclusions regarding the application of the Institute’s code of conduct to the facts;
e) A statement of, and rationale for, the result as to each allegation, including a determination regarding responsibility, any disciplinary sanctions the Institute imposes on the respondent, and whether remedies designed to restore or preserve equal access to the Institute’s education program or activity will be provided by the Institute to the complainant; and
f) The Institute’s procedures and permissible bases for the complainant and respondent to appeal.

The parties will be informed of the results of the adjudication hearing by simultaneous written notice to both parties of the outcome of the formal complaint. The determination regarding responsibility becomes final either on the date that the Institute provides the parties with the written determination of the result of the appeal, if an appeal is filed, or if an appeal is not filed, the date on which an appeal would no longer be considered timely.

10. Sanctions and Other Remedies

The hearing panel shall be responsible for imposing sanctions that are:

- Fair and appropriate given the facts of the particular case;
- Consistent with the Institute’s handling of similar cases;
- Adequate to protect the safety of the campus community; and
- Reflective of the seriousness of sexual harassment.

No disciplinary sanctions or other actions that are not supportive measures will be imposed against a respondent until the completion of the Institute’s grievance procedures, including any applicable appeal.

The hearing panel will consider relevant factors, including if applicable: (1) the specific sexual harassment at issue (such as penetration, touching under clothing, touching over clothing, unauthorized recording, etc.); (2) the circumstances accompanying the lack of consent (such as force, threat, coercion, intentional incapacitation, etc.); (3) the respondent’s state of mind (intentional, knowing, bias-motivated, reckless, negligent, etc.); (4) the impact of the offense on the
complainant; (5) the respondent’s prior disciplinary history; (6) the safety of the Institute community; and (7) the respondent’s conduct during the disciplinary process. The sanctioning decision will be communicated in writing to the complainant and the respondent as part of the hearing panel’s written determination.

The Institute may impose any one or more of the following sanctions on a student determined to have violated the Policy:

- Reprimand/warning;
- Changing the respondent’s academic schedule;
- Disciplinary probation;
- Restricting access to Institute facilities or activities;
- Community service;
- Issuing a “no contact” order to the respondent or requiring that such an order remain in place;
- Dismissal or restriction from Institute employment;
- Suspension (limited time or indefinite); and
- Expulsion.

In addition to any other sanction (except where the sanction is expulsion), the Institute may require any student determined to be responsible for a violation of the Policy to receive appropriate education and/or training related to the sexual harassment violation at issue. The Institute may also recommend counseling or other support services for the student.

Whatever the outcome of the hearing process, a complainant may request ongoing or additional supportive measures and the Title IX Coordinator will determine whether such supportive measures are appropriate. Potential ongoing supportive measures include:

- Providing an escort for the complainant;
- Changing the complainant’s academic schedule;
- Allowing the complainant to withdraw from or retake a class without penalty; and
- Providing access to tutoring or other academic support, such as extra time to complete or re-take a class.

The Institute may also determine that additional measures are appropriate to respond to the effects of the incident on the Institute community. Additional responses for the benefit of the Institute community may include:

- Increased monitoring, supervision, or security at locations or activities where the harassment occurred;
- Additional training and educational materials for students and employees;
- Revision of the Institute’s policies relating to sexual harassment; and
- Climate surveys regarding sexual harassment.

11. Appeals
Either the respondent or the complainant or both may appeal from a determination regarding responsibility, and from a recipient’s dismissal of a formal complaint or any allegations therein, on the following bases:

1. A procedural irregularity that affected the outcome of the matter;
2. New evidence that was not reasonably available at the time of the determination regarding responsibility or dismissal, that could affect the outcome of the matter; and
3. The Title IX Coordinator, investigator(s), or hearing panel member(s) had a conflict of interest or bias for or against complainants or respondents generally or the individual complainant or respondent that affected the outcome of the matter.

Disagreement with the finding or sanctions is not, by itself, grounds for appeals.
The decision maker(s) for the appeal may not be the same person as the hearing panel members, the investigator(s), or the Title IX Coordinator. The appealing party must submit the appeal in writing to the Institute within seven calendar days after receiving the written determination regarding responsibility. If either the complainant or respondent submits an appeal, the Title IX Coordinator will notify the other that an appeal has been filed and the grounds of the appeal. The non-appealing party may submit a written response within seven days after notice of an appeal.

If the decision-maker concludes that a change in the hearing panel’s determination is warranted, the Institute may enter a revised determination, reconvene the panel to reconsider the determination, or return the matter for additional investigation. If both the complainant and respondent appeal, the appeals will be considered concurrently.

The decision maker will issue a written decision describing the result of the appeal and the rationale for the result, and provide the written decision simultaneously to both parties. Appeals decisions will be rendered within 15 calendar days after the receipt of the written appeal. All appeal decisions are final.

12. Records Disclosure & Recordkeeping

Disciplinary proceedings conducted by the Institute are subject to the Family Educational Records and Privacy Act (FERPA), a federal law governing the privacy of student information. FERPA generally limits disclosure of student information outside the Institute without the student’s consent, but it does provide for release of student disciplinary information without a student’s consent in certain circumstances.

Any information gathered in the course of an investigation may be subpoenaed by law enforcement authorities as part of a parallel investigation into the same conduct or required to be produced through other compulsory legal process.

Additional information about FERPA can be found on the Institute’s website at www.avedapdx.com.

The Institute will, upon written request, disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence (as that term is defined in Section 16 of Title 18, United States Code), or a non-forcible sex offense, a report on the results of any disciplinary proceeding conducted by the Institute against a student who is the alleged perpetrator of such crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of such crime or offense, the next of kin of such victim shall be treated as the alleged victim for purposes of this paragraph.

The Institute will maintain for a period of not less than seven years records of:

a) Each sexual harassment investigation including any determination regarding responsibility; any audio, audiovisual recording, or transcript from a hearing conducted in response to a formal complaint; any disciplinary sanctions imposed on the respondent; and any remedies provided to the complainant designed to restore or preserve equal access to the Institute's education programs or activities;

b) Any appeal and the result therefrom;

c) Any informal resolution and the result therefrom; and

d) All materials used to train Title IX Coordinators, investigators, hearing panel members, decision-makers, and any person who facilitates an informal resolution process. The Institute will make these training materials publicly available on its website.

The Institute will create and maintain for a period of not less than seven years, records of any actions, including any supportive measures, taken in response to a report or formal complaint of sexual harassment. In each instance, the Institute will document the basis for its conclusion that its response was not deliberately indifferent, and document that it has taken measures designed to restore or preserve equal access to the Institute’s education program or activity. If the Institute does not provide a complainant with supportive measures, then the Institute will document the reasons why such a response was not clearly unreasonable in light of the known circumstances. The documentation of certain bases or measures does not limit the Institute in the future from providing additional explanations or detailing additional measures taken.
13. Education and Prevention Programs
As set forth in Section 3 of this Policy statement, sexual assault, sexual harassment, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking are all forms of prohibited conduct.

The Institute is committed to offering educational programs to promote awareness and prevention of prohibited conduct. Educational programs include an overview of the Institute’s policies and procedures; relevant definitions, including prohibited conduct; discussion of the impact of alcohol and illegal drug use; consent; safe and positive options for bystander intervention; review of resources and reporting options available for students, faculty, and staff; and information about risk reduction. Incoming students and new employees will receive primary prevention and awareness programming as part of their orientation.

As part of the Institute’s commitment to provide an educational and work environment free from prohibited conduct, this Policy will be disseminated widely to the Institute community through e-mail communication, publications, websites, new employee orientations, student orientations, and other appropriate channels of communication.

The Title IX Coordinator, investigators, hearing panel members, and anyone else who is involved in responding to, investigating, or adjudicating sexual harassment will receive annual training from experts in the field. In addition to training on how the adjudicatory process works, the training will include specific instruction about how to approach students about sensitive issues that may arise in the context of sexual harassment.

Definitions of Sexual Harassment under State Law

Washington Law:
The Revised Code of Washington (“RCW”) provides the following definitions with respect to crimes of sexual assault and consent:

(1) “Sexual intercourse” (a) has its ordinary meaning and occurs upon any penetration, however slight, and (b) Also means any penetration of the vagina or anus however slight, by an object, when committed on one person by another, whether such persons are of the same or opposite sex, except when such penetration is accomplished for medically recognized treatment or diagnostic purposes, and (c) Also means any act of sexual contact between persons involving the sex organs of one person and the mouth or anus of another whether such persons are of the same or opposite sex.

(2) “Sexual contact” means any touching of the sexual or other intimate parts of a person done for the purpose of gratifying sexual desire of either party or a third party.

(6) “Forcible compulsion” means physical force which overcomes resistance, or a threat, express or implied, that places a person in fear of death or physical injury to herself or himself or another person, or in fear that she or he or another person will be kidnapped.

(7) “Consent” means that at the time of the act of sexual intercourse or sexual contact there are actual words or conduct indicating freely given agreement to have sexual intercourse or sexual contact.

RCW 9A.44.040 – Rape in the first degree.

(1) A person is guilty of rape in the first degree when such person engages in sexual intercourse with another person by forcible compulsion where the perpetrator or an accessory:

(a) Uses or threatens to use a deadly weapon or what appears to be a deadly weapon; or

(b) Kidnaps the victim; or

(c) Inflicts serious physical injury, including but not limited to physical injury which renders the victim unconscious; or

(d) Feloniously enters into the building or vehicle where the victim is situated.

RCW 9A.44.050 – Rape in the second degree.
(1) A person is guilty of rape in the second degree when, under circumstances not constituting rape in the first degree, the person engages in sexual intercourse with another person:

(a) By forcible compulsion;

(b) When the victim is incapable of consent by reason of being physically helpless or mentally incapacitated;

(c) When the victim is a person with a developmental disability and the perpetrator is a person who is not married to the victim and who:

(i) Has supervisory authority over the victim; or

(ii) Was providing transportation, within the course of his or her employment, to the victim at the time of the offense.

**RCW 9A.44.060 – Rape in the third degree.**

(1) A person is guilty of rape in the third degree when, under circumstances not constituting rape in the first or second degrees, such person engages in sexual intercourse with another person:

(a) Where the victim did not consent as defined in **RCW 9A.44.010(7)**, to sexual intercourse with the perpetrator; or

(b) Where there is threat of substantial unlawful harm to property rights of the victim.

**RCW 9A.44.100 – Indecent liberties.**

(1) A person is guilty of indecent liberties when he or she knowingly causes another person to have sexual contact with him or her or another:

(a) By forcible compulsion;

(b) When the other person is incapable of consent by reason of being mentally defective, mentally incapacitated, or physically helpless;

(c) When the victim is a person with a developmental disability and the perpetrator is a person who is not married to the victim and who:

(i) Has supervisory authority over the victim; or

(ii) Was providing transportation, within the course of his or her employment, to the victim at the time of the offense;

The Revised Code of Washington defines Stalking as follows:

**RCW 9A.46.110 – Stalking.**

(1) A person commits the crime of stalking if, without lawful authority and under circumstances not amounting to a felony attempt of another crime:

(a) He or she intentionally and repeatedly harasses or repeatedly follows another person; and

(b) The person being harassed or followed is placed in fear that the stalker intends to injure the person, another person, or property of the person or of another person. The feeling of fear must be one that a reasonable person in the same situation would experience under all the circumstances; and

(c) The stalker either:

(i) Intends to frighten, intimidate, or harass the person; or

(ii) Knows or reasonably should know that the person is afraid, intimidated, or harassed even if the stalker did not intend to place the person in fear or intimidate or harass the person.

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(4) ***. Contact" includes, in addition to any other form of contact or communication, the sending of an electronic communication to the person.

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(6) As used in this section:

(b) “Follows” means deliberately maintaining visual or physical proximity to a specific person over a period of time. A finding that the alleged stalker repeatedly and deliberately appears at the person’s home, school, place of employment, business, or any other location to maintain visual or physical proximity to the person is sufficient to find that the alleged stalker follows the person. It is not necessary to establish that the alleged stalker follows the person while in transit from one location to another.

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(e) “Repeatedly” means on two or more separate occasions.

**RCW 9.61.260 – Cyberstalking.**
(1) A person is guilty of cyberstalking if he or she, with intent to harass, intimidate, torment, or embarrass any other person, and under circumstances not constituting telephone harassment, makes an electronic communication to such other person or a third party:

(a) Using any lewd, lascivious, indecent, or obscene words, images, or language, or suggesting the commission of any lewd or lascivious act;

(b) Anonymously or repeatedly whether or not conversation occurs; or

(c) Threatening to inflict injury on the person or property of the person called or any member of his or her family or household.

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(4) Any offense committed under this section may be deemed to have been committed either at the place from which the communication was made or at the place where the communication was received.

(5) For purposes of this section, “electronic communication” means the transmission of information by wire, radio, optical cable, electromagnetic, or other similar means. “Electronic communication” includes, but is not limited to, electronic mail, internet-based communications, pager service, and electronic text messaging.

The Revised Code of Washington provides the following definitions with respect to Domestic Violence and Dating Violence:

**RCW 26.50.010 – Definitions.**

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings given them:

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Oregon Law:

Oregon law provides the following definitions with respect to crimes of sexual assault and consent:

**ORS 163.355**

**Rape in the third degree**

(1) A person commits the crime of rape in the third degree if the person has sexual intercourse with another person under 16 years of age.

(2) Rape in the third degree is a Class C felony.

**ORS 163.365**

**Rape in the second degree**

(1) A person who has sexual intercourse with another person commits the crime of rape in the second degree if the other person is under 14 years of age.

(2) Rape in the second degree is a Class B felony.

**ORS 163.375**

**Rape in the first degree**

(1) A person who has sexual intercourse with another person commits the crime of rape in the first degree if:

(a) The victim is subjected to forcible compulsion by the person;
(b) The victim is under 12 years of age;
(c) The victim is under 16 years of age and is the person’s sibling, of the whole or half blood, the person’s child or the person’s spouse’s child; or
(d) The victim is incapable of consent by reason of mental defect, mental incapacitation or physical helplessness.

(2) Rape in the first degree is a Class A felony.

ORS 163.305
Definitions
As used in chapter 743, Oregon Laws 1971, unless the context requires otherwise:
(1) “Forcible compulsion” means to compel by:
(a) Physical force; or
(b) A threat, express or implied, that places a person in fear of immediate or future death or physical injury to self or another person, or in fear that the person or another person will immediately or in the future be kidnapped.
(2) “Mentally defective” means that a person suffers from a qualifying mental disorder that renders the person incapable of appraising the nature of the conduct of the person.
(3) “Mentally incapacitated” means that a person is rendered incapable of appraising or controlling the conduct of the person at the time of the alleged offense.
(4) “Oral or anal sexual intercourse” means sexual conduct between persons consisting of contact between the sex organs of one person and the mouth or anus of another.
(5) “Physically helpless” means that a person is unconscious or for any other reason is physically unable to communicate unwillingness to an act.
(6) “Sexual contact” means any touching of the sexual or other intimate parts of a person or causing such person to touch the sexual or other intimate parts of the actor for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of either party.
(7) “Sexual intercourse” has its ordinary meaning and occurs upon any penetration, however slight; emission is not required.

Oregon law provides the following definitions with respect to crime of stalking:

ORS 163.732
(1) A person commits the crime of stalking if:
(a) The person knowingly alarms or coerces another person or a member of that person’s immediate family or household by engaging in repeated and unwanted contact with the other person;
(b) It is objectively reasonable for a person in the victim’s situation to have been alarmed or coerced by the contact; and
(c) The repeated and unwanted contact causes the victim reasonable apprehension regarding the personal safety of the victim or a member of the victim’s immediate family or household.

(2) (a) Stalking is a Class A misdemeanor.
(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, stalking is a Class C felony if the person has a prior conviction for:
(A) Stalking; or
(B) Violating a court’s stalking protective order.

ORS 163.730
Definitions for ORS 30.866 and 163.730 to 163.750
(1) “Alarm” means to cause apprehension or fear resulting from the perception of danger.
(2) “Coerce” means to restrain, compel or dominate by force or threat.
(3) “Contact” includes but is not limited to:
(a) Coming into the visual or physical presence of the other person;
(b) Following the other person;
(c) Waiting outside the home, property, place of work or school of the other person or of a member of that person’s family or household;
(d) Sending or making written or electronic communications in any form to the other person;
(e) Speaking with the other person by any means;
(f) Communicating with the other person through a third person;
(g) Committing a crime against the other person;
(h) Communicating with a third person who has some relationship to the other person with the intent of affecting the third person’s relationship with the other person;
(i) Communicating with business entities with the intent of affecting some right or interest of the other person;
(j) Damaging the other person’s home, property, place of work or school;
(k) Delivering directly or through a third person any object to the home, property, place of work or school of the other person; or
(L) Service of process or other legal documents unless the other person is served as provided in ORCP 7 or 9.
(4) “Household member” means any person residing in the same residence as the victim.
(5) “Immediate family” means father, mother, child, sibling, spouse, grandparent, stepparent and stepchild.

Oregon law provides the following definitions with respect to domestic violence and dating violence:

ORS 135.230¹
Definitions for ORS 135.230 to 135.290
As used in ORS 135.230 (Definitions for ORS 135.230 to 135.290) to 135.290 (Punishment by contempt of court), unless the context requires otherwise:
(1) “Abuse” means:
(a) Attempting to cause or intentionally, knowingly or recklessly causing physical injury;
(b) Intentionally, knowingly or recklessly placing another in fear of imminent serious physical injury; or
(c) Committing sexual abuse in any degree as defined in ORS 163.415 (Sexual abuse in the third degree), 163.425 (Sexual abuse in the second degree) and 163.427 (Sexual abuse in the first degree).

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(3) “Domestic violence” means abuse between family or household members.

(4) “Family or household members” means any of the following:
(a) Spouses.
(b) Former spouses.
(c) Adult persons related by blood or marriage.

Bystander Intervention
The Institute’s primary prevention and awareness program includes a description of safe and positive options for bystander intervention. Active bystanders take the initiative to help someone who may be targeted for a sexual assault. They do this in ways that are intended to avoid verbal or physical conflict. Active bystanders also take the initiative to help friends, who are not thinking clearly, from becoming offenders of crime. Intervention does not mean that you directly intervene to stop a crime in progress; rather, these steps are “early intervention” – before a crime begins to occur. There are three important components to consider before taking action that we refer to as the ABCs:

● Assess for safety. Ensure that all parties are safe, and whether the situation requires calling authorities. When deciding to intervene, your personal safety should be the #1 priority. When in doubt, call for help.
● Be with others. If it is safe to intervene, you are likely to have a greater influence on the parties involved when you work together with someone or several people. Your safety is increased when you stay with a group of friends that you know well.
● Care for the person. Ask if the target of the unwanted sexual advance/attention/behavior is okay – does he or she need medical care? Ask if someone they trust can help them get safely home.

Risk Reduction
The Institute’s primary prevention and awareness program includes information on risk reduction. This includes:

Avoiding Dangerous Situations. While you can never completely protect yourself from sexual assault, there are some things you can do to help reduce your risk of being assaulted.

● Be aware of your surroundings. Knowing where you are and who is around you may help you to find a way to get out of a bad situation.
● Try to avoid isolated areas. It is more difficult to get help if no one is around.
● Walk with purpose. Even if you don’t know where you are going, act like you do.
● Trust your instincts. If a situation or location feels unsafe or uncomfortable, it probably isn’t the best place to be.
● Try not to load yourself down with packages or bags as this can make you appear more vulnerable.
● Make sure your cell phone is with you and charged and that you have money for transportation.
● Don’t allow yourself to be isolated with someone you don’t trust or someone you don’t know.
● Avoid putting headphones in or on both ears so that you can be more aware of your surroundings, especially if you are walking alone.
Safety Planning. Things to think about:

- How to get away if there is an emergency? Be conscious of exits or other escape routes. Think about options for transportation (car, bus, subway, etc.).
- Who can help? Friends and/or family, or support centers in your area. Please see Section 4 of this Policy for a list of support organizations.
- Where to go? Options may include a friend’s or relative’s house, or you may consider going to a domestic violence or homeless shelter. You may also go to the police. **Important Safety Note:** If the dangerous situation involves a partner, go to the police or a shelter first.
- What to bring? This may include important papers and documents such as a birth certificate, social security card, license, passport, medical records, lease, bills, etc. This will also include house keys, car keys, cash, credit cards, medicine, important numbers, and your cell phone. If you are bringing children with you, remember to bring their important papers and legal documents. You can keep all of these things in an emergency bag. You should hide the bag—it is best if it is not in your house or car. If the bag is discovered, you can call it a “tornado” or “fire” bag.

Protecting Your Friends. You have a crucial role to play in keeping your friends safe. No matter what the setting, if you see something that doesn’t feel quite right or see someone who might be in trouble, there are some simple things you can do to help out a friend.

- Distract. If you see a friend in a situation that doesn’t feel quite right, create a distraction to get your friend to safety. This can be as simple as joining or redirecting the conversation: suggest to your friend that you leave the party, or ask them to walk you home. Try asking questions like: “Do you want to head to the bathroom with me?” or “Do you want to head to another party – or grab pizza?”
- Step in. If you see someone who looks uncomfortable or is at risk, step in. If you feel safe, find a way to de-escalate the situation and separate all parties involved. Don’t be shy about directly asking the person if they need help or if they feel uncomfortable.
- Enlist others. You don’t have to go it alone. Call in friends or other people in the area as reinforcements to help defuse a dangerous situation and get the at-risk person home safely. There is safety in numbers.
- Keep an eye out. Use your eyes and ears to observe your surroundings. If you see someone who has had too much to drink or could be vulnerable, try to get them to a safe place. Enlist friends to help you. Even if you weren’t around when the assault occurred, you can still support a friend in the aftermath.

Social Situations. While you can never completely protect yourself from sexual assault, there are some things you can do to help reduce your risk of being assaulted in social situations.

- When you go to a social gathering, go with a group of friends. Arrive together, check in with each other throughout the evening, and leave together. Knowing where you are and who is around you may help you to find a way out of a bad situation.
- Trust your instincts. If you feel unsafe in any situation, go with your gut. If you see something suspicious, contact law enforcement immediately.
- Don’t leave your drink unattended while talking, dancing, using the restroom, or making a phone call. If you’ve left your drink alone, just get a new one.
- Don’t accept drinks from people you don’t know or trust. If you choose to accept a drink, go with the person to the bar to order it, watch it being poured, and carry it yourself. At parties, don’t drink from the punch bowls or other large, common open containers.
- Watch out for your friends, and vice versa. If a friend seems out of it, is way too intoxicated for the amount of alcohol they’ve had, or is acting out of character, get him or her to a safe place immediately.
- If you suspect you or a friend has been drugged, contact law enforcement immediately. Be explicit with doctors so they can give you the correct tests (you will need a urine test and possibly others).

*Information on Risk Reduction was provided by RAINN: Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network: [www.rainn.org](http://www.rainn.org).*

**14. Amendments**
The Institute may amend the Policy or the Procedures from time to time. Nothing in the Policy or Procedures shall affect the inherent authority of the Institute to take such actions as it deems appropriate to further the educational mission or to protect the safety and security of the Institute community.
**Definitions of Key Terms**

- **Sexual Harassment** - means conduct on the basis of sex that satisfies one or more of the following:
  1) An employee of the Institute conditioning the provision of an aid, benefit, or service of the Institute on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct;
  2) Unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to the Institute's education programs or activities; or
  3) “Sexual assault,” “dating violence,” “domestic violence,” or “stalking” as defined herein.

- **Sexual Assault** - An offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape as used in the FBI's Unified Crime Reporting (“UCR”) program.
  - **Rape** - The penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim.
  - **Sex Offenses** - Any sexual act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent.
    - **Fondling**—The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.
    - **Incest**—Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.
    - **Statutory Rape**—Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

- **Domestic Violence** - A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed (i) by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim; (ii) by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common; (iii) by a person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the victim as a spouse or intimate partner; (iv) by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred, or (v) by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

- **Dating Violence** - Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party's statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship. For the purpose of this definition dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse. Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence.

- **“Education program or activity”** includes locations, events, or circumstances over which the Institute exercises substantial control over both the respondent and the context in which the sexual harassment occurs. It includes all of the academic, educational, extra-curricular, and other programs of the Institute, whether they take place in the facilities of the Institute, at a class or training program sponsored by the Institute at another location, or elsewhere. An instructor’s alleged sexual harassment of a student would likely constitute sexual harassment in the Institute’s education programs or activities even if the alleged harassment occurs off campus. The Institute’s education programs and activities may also include computer and internet networks, digital platforms, and computer hardware or software owned or operated by, or used in the operations of, the Institute.

- **Prohibited Conduct** – The Institute prohibits Sexual Assault, Sexual Harassment, Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, and Stalking as defined in these Definitions of Key Terms.

- **Stalking** - Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for the person's safety or the safety of others, or suffer substantial emotional distress. Course of conduct means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts in which the stalker directly, indirectly, or through third
parties, by any action, method, device, or means, follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about a person, or interferes with a person's property. Substantial emotional distress means significant mental suffering or anguish that may, but does not necessarily, require medical or other professional treatment or counseling. Reasonable person means a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the victim.

- Retaliation – The Institute shall not, and no individual shall, intimidate, threaten, coerce, or discriminate against any individual for the purpose of interfering with any right or privilege secured by Title IX, or because the individual has made a report or complaint, testified, assisted, or participated or refused to participate in any manner in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing under Title IX and/or this Policy. The exercise of rights protected under the First Amendment does not constitute retaliation. Charging an individual with a code of conduct violation for making a materially false statement in bad faith in the course of a grievance proceeding does not constitute retaliation; provided, however, that a determination regarding responsibility alone is not sufficient to conclude that any party made a materially false statement in bad faith.

- Consent is a voluntary agreement to engage in sexual activity.
  - Past consent does not imply future consent.
  - Silence or an absence of resistance does not imply consent.
  - Consent to engage in sexual activity with one person does not imply consent to engage in sexual activity with another.
  - Consent can be withdrawn at any time.
  - Coercion, force, or threat of either invalidates consent.

Someone who is incapacitated cannot consent. Incapacitation refers to a situation in which a person is not capable of providing consent because the person lacks the ability to understand her or his decision. This situation may occur due to the use of drugs or alcohol, when a person is asleep or unconscious, or because of an intellectual or other disability that prevents the student from having the capacity to give consent.

- Complainant – means an individual who is alleged to be the victim of conduct that could constitute sexual harassment.

- Respondent – means an individual who has been reported to be the perpetrator of conduct that could constitute sexual harassment.

**Registered Sex Offenders**

The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act (CSPCA) of 2000 is a federal law that provides for the tracking of convicted sex offenders enrolled at, or employed at, institutions of higher education. The CSPCA is an amendment to the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Act. The federal law requires law enforcement agencies to provide schools with a list of registered sex offenders who have indicated that they are either enrolled, employed, or carrying on a vocation. The CSPCA further amends the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) to clarify that nothing in the Act can prohibit an educational institution from disclosing information provided to the institution concerning registered sex offenders.

In addition, a list of all registered sex offenders in Oregon is available to all members of the community. To get information specifically regarding registered sex offenders, please reference the Oregon Sex Offenders Inquiry Systems at [http://sexoffenders.oregon.gov/](http://sexoffenders.oregon.gov/)

*Public Property is defined as all public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that is within the campus, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. For the purpose of reporting, public property numbers are reflective of approximately .2 miles in circumference around the school – this is the approximate distance from the building to sidewalks. Crime records do not reflect distances in the instance of rape; numbers reported under this category are reflective of a ½ mile circumference around the school.*
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Appendix A Crime Definitions

These definitions conform to the requirements of the implementing regulations of the Clery Act (ref. 34 CFR 668.46 (c)(7).

**Murder and non-negligent manslaughter** – the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

**Negligent manslaughter** – the killing of another person though gross negligence.

**Forcible Sex Offenses** – The carnal knowledge of a person, forcibly and/or against that person’s will; or not forcibly or against the person’s will, where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his or her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity (or because of his or her youth).

**Forcible Sodomy** – Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person, forcibly and/or against that person’s will; or not forcibly against the person’s will, where the victim is incapable of giving consent because his or her youth or because of his or her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

**Sexual Assault with an object** – The use of an object or instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person, forcibly and/or against that person’s will; or not forcibly against the person’s will, where the victim is incapable of giving consent because his or her youth or because of his or her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

**Forcible Fondling** – The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, forcibly and/or against that person’s will; or not forcibly against the person’s will, where the victim is incapable of giving consent because his or her youth or because of his or her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

**Consent** – Consent is a free and clearly given yes, not the absence of no and cannot be received when a person is incapacitated by alcohol or drugs.

**Incapacity to Consent** – A person is considered incapable of consenting to sexual act if the person is: under 18 years of age, mentally defective, mentally incapacitate, or physically helpless. A lack of verbal or physical resistance does not, by itself, constitute consent but may be considered by the trier of fact along with all other relevant evidence. [1971. C743 S105; 1999 c.949 S2; 2001 c104 S52]

[Note: The Violence Against Women Act specified the term, “sexual assault” to mean: An offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape as used in the Uniform Crime Reporting System of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.]

**Incest** – Non-forcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

**Statutory Rape** – Non-forcible sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.
Rape – The penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ or another person, without consent of the victim.

The Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) defines rape as follows:

1) 163.355 Rape in the Third Degree – a person commits the crime of rape in the third degree if the person has sexual intercourse with another person under 16 years of age. Rape in the third degree is a Class C felony.

2) 163.365 Rape in the Second Degree – a person who has sexual intercourse with another person commits the crime of rape in the second degree if the person is under 14 years of age. Rape in the second degree is a Class B felony.

3) 163.375 Rape in the First Degree – a person who has sexual intercourse with another person commits the crime of rape in the first degree if: the victim is subjected to forcible compulsion by the person; the victim is under 12 years of age; the victim is under 16 years of age and is the person's sibling, of the whole or half blood, the person's child or the person's spouse's child; or the victim is incapable of consent by reason of mental defect, mental incapacitation or physical helplessness. Rape in the first degree is a Class A felony.

Robbery – the taking or attempting to take of anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.

Aggravated Assault – an unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon or by a means likely to produce death or great bodily harm. It is not necessary that injury result from an aggravated assault when a gun, knife, or other weapon is used that could and probably would result in serious personal injury if the crime were successfully completed.

Aggravated assaults include poisoning.

Burglary – The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft. For reporting purposes, this definition includes unlawfully entry with intent to commit a larceny or a felony, breaking and entering with intent to commit a larceny, housebreaking, safecracking, and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned acts.

Motor Vehicle Theft – The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle.

Arson – Any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

Hate Crime – The Clery Act requires the separate reporting, by category of prejudice, of any crime reported in the classifications above and any other crime involving bodily injury that manifests evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the victim’s actual or perceived race; gender; gender identity; religion; sexual orientation; ethnicity; national origin or disability.

Domestic Violence – Abuse between family or household members. Family or Household members includes spouses or former spouses; adults related by blood, marriage, or adoption; persons cohabitation or who have cohabitated; persons in past or present sexually intimate relationships; unmarried parents of a child.

Abuse – The occurrence of one or more of the following acts within domestic or dating relationship: attempting to cause or intentionally, knowingly or recklessly causing bodily injury; intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly placing another in fear of imminent bodily injury; causing another to engage in involuntary sexual relations by force or threat of force.

Dating Violence – A pattern of behavior in any relationship that is used to gain or maintain power and control over an intimate partner. Abuse can be physical, sexual, emotional, economic or psychological acts or threats of actions that influence another person. This includes any behaviors that frighten, intimidate, terrorize, manipulate, hurt, humiliate, blame or injure someone. Dating violence is defined as violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party’s statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of the interaction between the persons involved in the relationship. For the purpose of this definition dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse. Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence. For the purposes of complying with the requirements of this section and section 668.41, any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

Stalking – the repetitive and/or menacing pursuit, following, harassment and/or interference with the peak and/or interference with the peak and/or safety of a member of the community, or the safety of any of the immediate family members of the community. Stalking is unpredictable and dangerous. A person commits the crime of stalking if: the person knowingly alarms or coerces another person or a member of that person’s immediate family or household by engaging in repeated and unwanted contact with the other person; it is objectively reasonable for a person in the victim’s situation to have been alarmed or coerced by the
contact; and the repeated and unwanted contact causes the victim reasonable apprehension regarding the person safety of the victim or a member of the victim's immediate family or household.

**Liquor Law Violations** – Violations of laws or ordinances prohibiting: the manufacture, sale, transporting, furnishing, possessing of intoxicating liquor; maintain unlawful drinking places; furnishing liquor to a minor or intemperate person; using a vehicle for illegal transportation of liquor; drinking on a train or public conveyance; and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned activities. (Drunkenness and driving under the influence are not included in this definition)

**Drug Abuse Violations** – Violations of state and local laws relating to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing, and making of narcotic drugs. The relevant substances include: opium or cocaine and their derivatives (morphine, heroin, codeine); marijuana; synthetic narcotics (Demerol, methadone); and dangerous non-narcotic drugs (barbiturates, Benzedrine)

**Weapon Law Violations** – Violations of laws or ordinances dealing with weapon offenses, regulatory in nature, such as: the manufacture, sale, or possession of deadly weapons; the carrying of deadly weapons, concealed or openly; the furnishing of deadly weapons to minors; aliens possessing deadly weapons; and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned acts.

**Unfounded Crimes** – An institution may withhold, or subsequently remove, a reported crime from its crime statistics in the rate situations where sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel have fully investigated the reported crime and, based on the results of this investigation and evidence, have made a formal determination that the crime report is false or caseless and therefore “unfounded”. Only sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel may “unfound” a crime report for purposes of reporting under this section. The recovery of stolen property, the low value of stolen property, the refusal of the victim to cooperate with the prosecution, and the failure to make an arrest do not “unfound” a crime report.
I acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Aveda Institute Portland Annual Security Report. I understand it is my responsibility to read this document.