

Syllabi Statement for Title IX Reporting Obligations

Below are recommended syllabi statements pertaining to faculty obligations under Title IX of the Education Amendment Act of 1972, state law and PSU policies, which pertains to incidents of sex/gender discrimination, sexual harassment and interpersonal violence. PSU's [Prohibited Discrimination and Harassment Policy](#), Section V 2.1, outlines employees' reporting obligations of any form of discrimination and harassment. Oregon Attorney General's Sexual Assault Taskforce and PSU's Title IX Coordinator recommends that faculty include a statement on their syllabi to inform students of faculties' reporting obligations and how student may get support. Below are three options of syllabi statements. If you have any questions about your reporting obligations or Title IX in general, please see the [Sexual Misconduct Response, Faculty and Staff Resources](#) or contact Julie Caron, PSU's Title IX Coordinator at 503-725-4410 or titleixcoordinator@pdx.edu.

Please note that if a student informs you about experiencing sexual harassment or sexual violence you should let them know as soon as possible that you cannot keep the information confidential, and you have an obligation to report. When a matter is reported, PSU's first concern is providing resources for the student, and the student will be referred to a confidential advocate. Before reporting an incident, please ask a student if their PSU email address is a safe method for an advocate or university official to contact them. If not, please find the best method to contact the student. You may report a sexual misconduct incident by completing a [C.A.R.E team report](#) or by emailing the Title IX Coordinator, [Julie Caron](#).

OPTION 1

As an instructor, students frequently come to me for assistance in matters that are not related to the course material. Please be aware that PSU's policies require instructors to report any instance of sexual harassment, sexual violence and/or other forms of prohibited discrimination. If you would rather share information about these experiences with an employee who does not have these reporting responsibilities and can keep the information confidential, please contact one of the following campus resources (or visit this [link](#)):

- Confidential Advocates: 503.894.7982, or by scheduling on-line (psuwrc.youcanbook.me) (for matters regarding sexual harassment and interpersonal/sexual violence)
- Center for Student Health and Counseling (SHAC): 1880 SW 6th Ave, 503.725.2800
- Student Legal Services: 1825 SW Broadway, (SMSU) M343, 503.725.4556

For more information, please complete the required student module [Understanding Sexual Misconduct and Resources](#) in your D2L.

OPTION 2

Portland State is committed to fostering a safe, productive learning environment. Title IX and PSU policies prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex/gender, including sexual harassment, domestic and dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. We expect a culture of professionalism and mutual respect in our department and class. Please be aware that as a faculty member, I have the responsibility to report any instances of sexual harassment, sexual violence and/or other forms of prohibited discrimination to PSU's Title IX Coordinator, the Office of Equity and Compliance or the Dean of Student Life and **cannot keep information confidential**. You may report any incident of discrimination or discriminatory harassment, including sexual harassment, to either the [Title IX Coordinator, Office of Equity and Compliance](#), or the [Office of the Dean of Student Life](#). If you would rather share information about sexual harassment or sexual violence to a confidential employee who does not have this reporting responsibility, you can contact a confidential advocate at 503-894-7982 or by scheduling on-line (psuwrc.youcanbook.me). You may also contact other confidential employees found on the sexual misconduct [resource webpage](#). For more information about PSU's expectations of our campus community standards and resources for sex/gender discrimination and sexual violence, please complete the required student module [Understanding Sexual Misconduct and Resources](#) in your D2L.

OPTION 3

Portland State is committed to providing an environment free of all forms of prohibited discrimination and sexual harassment (sexual assault, domestic and dating violence, gender or sex-based harassment and stalking). If you have experienced any form of gender or sex-based discrimination or sexual harassment, know that help and support are available. PSU has staff members trained to support survivors in navigating campus life, accessing health and counseling services, providing academic and on-housing accommodations, helping with legal protective orders, and more. Information about PSU's support services on campus, including confidential services and reporting options, can be found on PSU's [Sexual Misconduct Response](#) website or you may call a Confidential Advocate at 503-894-7982 or by scheduling on-line: psuwrc.youcanbook.me. You may also report any incident of discrimination or discriminatory harassment, including sexual harassment, to the [Title IX Coordinator, Office of Equity and Compliance](#), or the [Office of the Dean of Student Life](#).

Please be aware that all PSU faculty members and instructors **are required to report** information of an incident that may constitute prohibited discrimination, including sexual harassment and sexual violence. This means that if you tell me about a situation of sexual harassment or sexual violence that may have violated university policy or student code of conduct, I have to share the information with the University's Title IX Coordinator or the Office of the Dean of Student Life. Please complete the required student module [Understanding Sexual Misconduct and Resources](#) in your D2L, which provides information about PSU policy and resources.