

Sample Title IX Syllabus Statement for Faculty

Below is a recommended statement that faculty may include in their course syllabus that shares all faculty and staff reporting requirements and provides information on resources and other support services. Please note that no one is required to include this statement; however, syllabi present an opportunity to share reporting obligations in advance of a student disclosing sensitive information to you.

Reporting Requirements

As your instructor, I want you to feel comfortable coming to me when personal issues are impacting your academics and your overall experience at Ferris State. I will seek to keep information you share with me as private as possible; however, I have some reporting requirements as part of my job responsibilities. For example, faculty members at Ferris State University are designated “*responsible employees*” under Title IX. Please know that if you disclose a situation involving gender discrimination or sexual misconduct (including sexual harassment, sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and/or stalking) to me, I must share that information with the University’s Title IX Coordinator. The Title IX Coordinator will work to ensure that you are aware of the range of rights and options available to you and that you have access to all support resources.

If you appear to be under an extreme amount of stress, struggling with your emotional health, and/or exhibiting behaviors of concern, I may inform our Behavioral Review Team, the Counseling Center, or our Student Conduct Office for consultation and assistance. Staff in these offices may reach out to you.

In short, I will not share your personal concerns with everyone, but I will talk to those I believe can help. To speak to someone confidentially on the Big Rapids campus, contact the Personal Counseling Center (231-591-5968); and at KCAD, contact Counseling, Disability, and Tutoring Services (616-451-2787).

For off-campus assistance related to sexual misconduct, please contact the Women’s Information Services (WISE) at 1-800-374-WISE or the National Sexual Assault Hotline at 1-800-656-4673.

To file a report of gender discrimination or sexual misconduct, please contact the University’s Title IX Coordinator, Kaitlin Zies, at 231-591-2088. For more information about Title IX at Ferris State, please visit <https://www.ferris.edu/title-ix/>.

Additional Campus Resources:

Academic Support Center: 231-591-3543; <https://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/colleges/university/ASC/>

Blrkam Health Center: 231-591-2612; <https://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/studentlife/HCenter/>

Department of Public Safety: 231-591-5000; <https://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/othersrv/campussafety/>

Educational Counseling and Disability Services: 231-591-3057;
<https://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/colleges/university/ecds/>

Office of Equal Opportunity: 231-591-2152;
<https://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/administration/president/generalcounsel/affaction.html>

Student Conduct Office: 231-591-3619;

<https://www.ferris.edu/HTMLS/administration/studentaffairs/judicial/>

Instructions for signing up for emergency and storm related text alerts:

<https://www.ferris.edu/it/newspage/archive-2015/01-January/01-12-15.htm>