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	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023
Murder/Non-Negligent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter									
Manslaughter by	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligence									
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Criminal Offenses Reporting Table 2021-2023 (Ft. Belvoir Campus):

## Hate Crimes

In addition to the statistics presented in the Reporting Tables on the preceding pages, institutions are required to report the statistics for hate crimes. There were no reported Hate Crimes during 2021, 2022, and 2023

## **Unfounded Crimes**

Institutions are also required to disclose whether any crime reports were "unfounded" and subsequently withheld from crime statistics during each of the three most recent calendar years. A crime is considered unfounded for Clery Act purposes only if sworn or commissioned law enforcement personnel make a formal determination that the report is false or baseless.

There were no unfounded crimes in 2021, 2022, or 2023.

the necessary resources, to mitigate, investigate, and document the emergency or dangerous situation.

different hypothetical emergency or crisis to test its emergency response and evacuation procedures.

After each the conclusion of each drill or exercise, a University official responsible for coordinating the drill/exercise will document: a description of the drill/exercise, the date/time of the drill/exercise, and whether it was announced or unannounced.

At the beginning of every term, Webster University Andrews AFB Staff reviews the following information with students, staff and faculty:

- 1. Emergency exit locations and evacuation plans (posted in every room)
- 2. Active shooter information (via handout)
- 3. Base emergency contact information (via handout)

• Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence.

**Student Financial Aid** - The Office of Financial Aid can assist reporting parties at any of the branch campuses with financial aid matters. This office is located on the Webster Groves campus and can

faculty or other University personnel, where any respondent is accused of sexual harassment in a formal complaint, the standard of evidence shall be the preponderance of the evidence standard.

## **Sanctions**

In determining sanctions, the Hearing Boards will consider the nature and seriousness of the offense. Sanctions are determined by the Hearing Officer or Appeal Officer and implemented by the Title IX Coordinator. Sanctions for students found responsible for violating the university's Title IX Policy are: Written Warning, Probation, Educational Training, Educational Assignment, No Contact Order, Housing/Campus Life Probation/Suspension/Restrictions (loss of privileges, relocation, eviction), Administrative Hold on Educational Account, Suspension, Expulsion, Withholding of Degree, Revocation of Degree, and Transcript Notation. Sanctions for employees found to have violated the policy are: Warning- Written or Verbal, the implementation of a Performance Improvement Plan, Counseling, Training or Education, Demotion, Loss of Annual Pay Increase, No Contact Order, Suspension with or without Pay, Revocation of Tenure and Termination.

# **University Disciplinary Processes**

This section of the Report provides information from the University's Policy on Sex Discrimination, Including Sexual Harassment (Title IX Policy), including the process followed when filing a formal complaint, and those who choose to use the informal resolution process.

- (b) The type of relationship;
- (c) The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship. See 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(10).
- c) "Domestic violence" refers to felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving grant monies, or 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. See 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(8); or
- d) "Stalking" refers to engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to
  - (1) fear for their safety or the safety of others; or
  - (2) suffer substantial emotional distress. See 34 U.S.C. § 12291(a)(30).
- C. Inquiries about Title IX Requirements. Inquiries about the application of this Policy, Title IX and the Title IX Regulations may be referred to the University's Title IX Coordinator: Kimberley Bynum-Smith Director, Office for Civil Rights Compliance and Title IX Coordinator 200 Hazel, 2nd Floor, St. Louis, MO 63119 314-246-7780 kimberleybynumsmith@webster.edu
- D. Interaction with Other University Policies. This Policy addresses sex discrimination. There are other University policies (e.g., the Student Code of Conduct, the Human Resources Grievance Policy, and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission [EEOC] policy) that address different forms of discrimination and harassment. If the Title IX Coordinator receives a report about misconduct that is not sex discrimination and is therefore not covered by this Policy, the Title IX Coordinator will not adjudicate that complaint. The conduct may be adjudicated by other individuals under the relevant policy(ies).

Individuals who fail to comply with this Policy and the procedures set forth therein may be subject to disciplinary actions guided by the Student Handbook, the Employee Handbook, or the Faculty Manual. Non-compliance with this policy may result in disciplinary action, up to and including separation from the University.

### III. RETALIATION

A. **Prohibition of Retaliation.** The University strictly prohibits retaliation, including intimidation, threats, coercion, or discrimination against any individual for the purpose of interfering with any right or privilege secured by Title IX or the Title IX Regulations, or because the individual has made a report or complaint, testified, assisted, or participated or refused to participate in any manner in an

effective implementation of supportive measures. Accommodations or supportive measures are available if the complainant requests them and if they are reasonably available, regardless of whether the complainant chooses to file a formal complaint or report the offense to the Title IX Coordinator, Public Safety, or local law enforcement. Upon request, the Title IX Coordinator will also provide written notification of such resources available to students and employees.

- B. **Definition of Supportive Measures.** The term "supportive measures" means non- disciplinary, nonpunitive individualized services offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, and without fee or charge to the complainant or the respondent. Such measures are designed to restore or preserve equal access to the University's education program or activity without unreasonably burdening the other party, including measures designed to protect the safety of all parties or the University's educational environment, or deter sexual harassment.
- C. **Examples of Supportive Measures.** Supportive measures may include any of the following examples: 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.
- D. **Confidentiality.** The University shall maintain as confidential any supportive measures provided to the complainant or respondent, to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the University's ability to provide the supportive measures.

# VI. COMPLAINT, INVESTIGATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

- A. **Governing Procedures.** Reports and formal complaints of sex discrimination, including sexual harassment, occurring against a person in the United States will be handled in a manner consistent with the procedures set forth in this Section VII of this Policy.<sup>17</sup> These procedures provide for the prompt, fair, and impartial resolution of student and employee complaints alleging any action that would be prohibited by Title IX Regulations. Furthermore, this Policy provides for a grievance process for the handling of formal complaints, as required by the Title IX Regulations.<sup>18</sup>
- B. **Definitions.** Terms used frequently in these procedures and elsewhere within this Policy are defined as follows:
  - Actual knowledgeThe term "actual knowledge" means notice of sexual harassment or allegations of sexual harassment to the University's Title IX Coordinator or to the University's Chief Human Resources Officer. No employee or official of the University other than the Title IX Coordinator Kimberly Bynum-Smith (200 Hazel, 2nd Floor, St. Louis, MO 63119; Telephone: 314-246-7780; Email: <u>kimberleybynumsmith@webster.edu</u>) and the University's Chief Human Resources Officer Charles Burton (470 E. Lockwood Ave., St. Louis, MO 63119; Telephone: 314-246-6960; Email: <u>charlesburton@webster.edu</u> shall have authority to institute corrective measures under this Policy on behalf of the University.

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- 1. Persons Who Can Report Sex Discrimination person participating in, or attempting to participate in, a university program or activity 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), sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence or stalking. Following such report, the Title IX Coordinator will provide the student or employee a written explanation of the individual's rights and options, irrespective of whether or not the offense occurred on-or-off campus.
- 2. **Reporting Methds**. A report of sex discrimination, including sexual harassment, may be made in person, by mail, by telephone, or by electronic mail, using the contact information listed in this Policy for the Title IX Coordinator, or by any other means that results in the Title IX Coordinator 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 electronic mail address, or by mail to the office address, listed in this Policy for the University's Title IX Coordinator. In addition to the Title IX Coordinator, the University's Chief Human Resources Officer may also receive notice of reports of sex discrimination, including sexual harassment, under this Policy.
- 3. Amnesty from Drug, Alcohol, and Related University Policies Iniversity encourages reporting and seeks to remove any barriers to reporting by making the procedures for reporting

f) any other factor, whose consideration is permitted by applicable law, that directly or indirectly implicates the University's interests in providing a safe and productive learning environment.

#### F. Responding to a Formal Complaint.

- 1. Application of Grievance Processeresponse to a formal complaint, the University will follow the grievance process set forth in this Policy. This grievance process is designed to treat complainants and respondents equitably by providing remedies to a complainant where a determination of responsibility for sexual harassment has been made against the respondent, and by following a grievance process that complies with the Title IX Regulations before the imposition of any disciplinary sanctions or other actions that are not supportive measures against a respondent.
- 2. Administrative Processing of a Formal Complatiten a formal complaint is made, the following administrative procedures will occur:
  - a) Conflict Analysis a preliminary matter, the Title IX Coordinator identified in this Policy will analyze whether such person has a conflict of interest that would preclude such person from acting as the Title IX Coordinator for the formal complaint at issue. A conflict of interest that precludes a person from holding a Title IX Coordinator, investigator, decision-maker/hearing officer or appeal officer role is one that would undermine the person's ability to approach an allegation or formal complaint of sexual harassment with impartiality. Such a conflict could arise, for example, from an intimate relationship or a very close personal relationship; however, merely knowing a complainant or respondent will not constitute a conflict of interest for purposes of this Policy. If such a conflict exists, the University's Title IX Coordinator or Chief Human Resources Officer will designate another properly trained individual to serve in the capacity at issue.
  - b) Role Assignments he Title IX Coordinator will assign an investigator to investigate the formal complaint. Where the complainant and respondent voluntarily choose to attempt to reach an informal resolution of the formal complaint, the Title IX Coordinator will select a mediator to facilitate an informal resolution process. Where an informal resolution process is not elected or where it is elected but is unsuccessful, the Title IX Coordinator will also

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.

- c) Objective EvaluationThe investigator will conduct an objective evaluation of all relevant evidence — including both inculpatory and exculpatory evidence. At no stage of the grievance process will credibility determinations be made based on a person's status as a complainant, respondent, or witness. Formal complaints of sexual harassment often involve allegations with competing plausible narratives and no eyewitnesses. Such situations will be evaluated by objectively evaluating the relevant evidence, regardless of whether that available, relevant evidence consists of the parties' own statements, statements of witnesses, or other evidence. This does not mean that corroborating evidence is required, but the availability of corroborating evidence may bolster a party's position in support of or in opposition to a formal complaint.
- d) Presumption of No Responsibility rmal complaints will be handled with a presumption that the respondent is not responsible for alleged sexual harassment until a determination regarding responsibility is made at the conclusion of the grievance process. The presumption of non- responsibility does not mean that a respondent, complainant or witness is considered presumptively truthful, untruthful, credible or not credible. An investigator is free to develop an understanding of, and to take into account, each party's interests and the "stakes" at issue for each party. What is at stake, in and of itself, shall not reflect on the party's truthfulness.
- e) Respect for Legal Privile Jete University w.7 (g) y48 (c) 3.9 (t) -0-6 (e) 0.8 15 rest c f in ano aog io c of itr 4.6 (f

must be conducted directly, orally, and in real time by the party's advisor of choice and

prove consent. The decision-maker's rulings on questions posed to parties and witnesses are not subject to challenge by a party or the party's advisor during the hearing.

- f) RelevanceA decision-maker shall apply the same standard of relevance as is required for investigators under Section VI(F)(3)(i) of this Policy, meaning all relevant evidence presented at a hearing shall be considered by the decision- maker (unless consideration of such evidence is prohibited by the Title IX Regulations). Furthermore, a decision- maker shall be
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in instances where a total of three individuals are not available to serve as appeal officers, the University shall appoint a single appeal officer to decide the outcome of an appeal, and such person's decision shall be final.

- e) Written DecisionFollowing the briefing period, the appeal officer serving as the chair of the appeal panel shall issue a written decision describing the result of the appeal and the rationale for the result. Such written decision shall be provided simultaneously to the parties by the Title IX Coordinator.
- f) Finality. A determination regarding responsibility becomes final either on the date that the University provides the parties with the written determination of the result of the appeal, if an appeal is filed, or on the eleventh (11th) calendar day following the University's provision of the written determination to the parties (if no appeal is filed by either party during the 10-day period for filing an appeal). Such determination shall be provided simultaneously to the parties by the Title IX Coordinator.
- 7. Remedies f a finding of responsibility for violating this Policy is made, the remedies imposed may include supportive measures, the range of such supportive measures available to complainants and respondents is set forth in this Policy's definition of the term "supportive measures." Furthermore, such remedies may include disciplinary sanctions, punitive measures and measures that burden the respondent. Sanctions for a violation of this Policy by a student may include, but is not limited to: no-contact orders; educational training; expulsion; suspension; disciplinary probation; mandated counseling assessment which may include anger management course(s), alcohol and/or drug education program(s), and other requirements based upon the counseling assessment; restrictions on campus privileges including restrictions on campus housing or participation in student activities; community service; and/or other educational sanctions. Sanctions for a violation of this policy by an employee may include, but is not limited to: leave with pay, leave without pay, termination, change in job responsibilities or duties, relocation of assignment, mandated counseling or anger management assessment, mandated training, such as sexual harassment prevention. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for effective implementation of any remedies imposed under this Policy. Upon request, the Title IX Coordinator will provide the University's written procedures for disciplinary action in cases of alleged sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking.
- G. Emergency Removal. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Policy that may suggest otherwise, the University may choose to remove a respondent from any University education program or activity on an emergency basis if, based on an individualized safety and risk analysis, the University 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 such removal. When the University exercises its right to implement an emergency removal, the University will notify the respondent of that decision and provide the respondent with an opportunity to challenge the decision immediately following the removal.
- H. Administrative Leave. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Policy that may suggest otherwise, the University may choose to place a non-student employee respondent on administrative leave during the pendency of a grievance process under this Policy. Furthermore,

Different employees on campus have different abilities to maintain a party's confidentiality.

 Some are required to maintain near complete confidentiality; talking to them is sometimes called a "privileged communication." Professional, licensed counselors and pastoral counselors who provide mental health counseling to members of the University 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 the permission of the party who has made a report to a counselor.

The following is the contact information for these individuals:

If the University determines that the respondent poses a serious and immediate threat to the University community, the Office of Public Safety may be called upon to issue a timely warning to the community. Any such warning will not include information that identifies the complainant.

6. Off-campus counselors, advocates, and health care providers will also generally maintain confidentiality and not share information with the University unless the complainant requests the disclosure and signs a consent or waiver form. While off-campus counselors and advocates may maintain a party's confidentiality vis-à-vis the University, they may have reporting or other obligations under federal and/or state law or the laws of the country in which the incident occurred.

## XI. FALSE STATEMENTS

The University will not tolerate the making of any materially false statement by any .7 (r)1ally ftwi86btent.Infidf anersnf k

The Sexual Offense Support Group is established and maintained by the Counseling Center with assistance from the Advocate as needed. Support groups are led by qualified persons who are trained and supervised by the Advocate and Director of Counseling.

# **The Wellness Center**

Any professional counselors working in the Wellness Center must attend an approved program on the counseling of sexual offense reporting parties.

# **Employee Resources**

Prudential's Employee Assistance program, offered by ComPsych, helps you and your family cope with life, from the everyday to the unexpected. Whether managing everyday issues such as job pressures, relationships, retirement planning, or finding childcare, or faced with grief, loss, or the impact of a disability,

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- Information on risk reduction.
- A statement of policy regarding the institution's programs to prevent dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking, and of procedures that the institution will follow when one of these crimes is reported; and the procedural requirements for institutional disciplinary action in cases of alleged dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

## **Primary Prevention and Awareness Programs**

**Sexual Orientation:** A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their actual or perceived sexual orientation.

**Gender:** A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a person or group of persons based on their actual or perceived gender, e.g., male or female.

**Gender Identity**: A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a person or group of persons based on their actual or perceived gender identity, e.g., bias against transgender or gender non-conforming individuals.

**Ethnicity:** A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of people whose members identify with each other, through a common heritage, often consisting of a common language, common culture (often including a shared religion) and/or ideology that stresses common ancestry.

**National Origin**: A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of people based on their actual or perceived country of birth.

**Disability:** A preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their physical or mental impairments, whether such disability is temporary or permanent, congenital or acquired by heredity, accident, injury, advanced age or illness.

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## § 18.2-67.1. Forcible sodomy.

- A. An accused shall be guilty of forcible sodomy if he or she engages in cunnilingus, fellatio, anilingus, or anal intercourse with a complaining witness whether or not his or her spouse, or causes a complaining witness, whether or not his or her spouse, to engage in such acts with any other person, and
  - (1) The complaining witness is less than 13 years of age; or
  - (2) The act is accomplished against the will of the complaining witness, by force, threat or intimidation of or against the complaining witness or another person, or through the use of the complaining witness's mental incapacity or physical helplessness.
- **B.** Forcible sodomy is a felony punishable by confinement in a state correctional facility for life or for any term not less than five years; and in addition:
  - (1) For a violation of subdivision A 1, where the offender is more than three years older than the victim, if done in the commission of, or as part of the same course of conduct as, or as part of a common scheme or plan as a violation of (i) subsection A of § 18.2-47 or § 18.2-48, (ii) § 18.2-89, 18.2-90, or 18.2-91, or (iii) § 18.2-51.2, the punishment shall include a mandatory minimum term of confinement of 25 years; or
  - (2) For a violation of subdivision A 1 where it is alleged in the indictment that the offender was 18 years of age or older at the time of the offense, the punishment shall include a mandatory minimum term of confinement for life.

The mandatory minimum terms of confinement prescribed for violations of this section shall be served consecutively with any other sentence. If the term of confinement imposed for any violation of subdivision A 1, where the offender is more than three years older than the victim, is for a term less than life imprisonment, the judge shall impose, in addition to any active sentence, a suspended sentence of no less than 40 years. This suspended sentence shall be suspended for the remainder of the defendant's life, subject to revocation by the court.

In any case deemed appropriate by the court, all or part of any sentence imposed for a violation under this section against a spouse may be suspended upon the defendant's completion of counseling or therapy, if not already provided, in the manner prescribed under § 19.2-218.1 if, after consideration of the views of the complaining witness and such other evidence as may be relevant, the court finds such action will promote maintenance of the family unit and will be in the best interest of the complaining witness.

C. Upon a finding of guilt under this section, when a spouse is the complaining witness in any case tried by the court without a jury, the court, without entering a judgment of guilt, upon motion of the defendant who has not previously had a proceeding against him for violation of this section dismissed pursuant to this subsection and with the consent of the complaining witness and the attorney for the Commonwealth, may defer further proceedings and place the defendant on probation pending completion of counseling or

maintenance of the family unit and be in the best interest of the complaining witness.

## § 18.2-67.2. Object sexual penetration; penalty.

- A. An accused shall be guilty of inanimate or animate object sexual penetration if he or she penetrates the labia majora or anus of a complaining witness, whether or not his or her spouse, other than for a bona fide medical purpose, or causes such complaining witness to so penetrate his or her own body with an object or causes a complaining witness, whether or not his or her spouse, to engage in such acts with any other person or to penetrate, or to be penetrated by, an animal, and
  - 1) The complaining witness is less than 13 years of age; or
  - 2) The act is acco2 (j)2.7 (e)-1( p)9.1 (e)0.7 (n)19 (ss2-0.6 (hi)13w)-4.4 (e)-2.6 (s)10, anjv(ha)122h103s710.6 (

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