Southern Nazarene University Title IX Disclosure

Regardless of other language in this policy notwithstanding, Sexual Harassment (including Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking), as defined in the Sexual Harassment Policy, will be governed exclusively by the Sexual Harassment Policy and processes provided in it. All other forms of sex-based discrimination are governed by this policy, including sex-based Harassment, as defined in this policy, that does not rise to the level of Sexual Harassment as defined in the Sexual Harassment Policy.

Conduct that is initially raised through a formal complaint under the Sexual Harassment Policy may also be addressed under this policy, in the institution's discretion, when: (i) the conduct, or some part of it, may amount to a violation of this policy regardless of whether it meets the definition of Sexual Harassment under the Sexual Harassment Policy; (ii) the formal complaint, or some part of it, has been dismissed under the Sexual Harassment Policy; or (iii) a final determination of a formal complaint has been made under the Sexual Harassment Policy and separate or additional action may be necessary to enforce this policy.

Discrimination is material, adverse treatment of an individual based on a protected category. Harassment consists of unwelcome conduct on the basis of a Protected Category that explicitly or implicitly affects an individual's employment, unreasonably interferes with an individual's work performance, or creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work environment. A person's subjective belief that behavior is intimidating, hostile, or offensive does not make that behavior harassment. The behavior must create a hostile environment from both a subjective and objective perspective and must be so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it unreasonably interferes with, limits, or deprives a member of the community of the ability to participate in or to receive benefits, services, or opportunities from the university's education or employment programs and/or activities. In determining whether a hostile environment exists, the university examines the context, nature, scope, frequency, duration, and location of incidents, as well as the relationships of the persons involved.

Non-sex-based VAWA crimes.

Note that, when addressing domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking that are not sex-based (i.e., that are not covered by the university's revised Sexual Harassment policy), the university will need to provide VAWA protections to the parties. Those are outlined on the slides below.

Under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Southern Nazarene University prohibits all unlawful discrimination on the basis of sex or gender in its educational programs and activities, except where the University has been granted exemptions from certain Title IX regulations on religious grounds, including the specific religious tenet of the University.

No individual will be subject to any form of retaliation, discipline, or other adverse action for reporting conduct in violation of the university's nondiscrimination/Equal Employment Opportunity Statement, assisting/cooperating in making a complaint, or assisting with the investigation of a complaint. Any individual who believes they have experienced or witnessed retaliation should immediately notify the appropriate member(s) of the administration as identified above. Those found to be engaging in any type of discrimination in violation of law or university policy will be subject to disciplinary action, up to an including dismissal or termination of employment.

*Christian faith and employment at Southern Nazarene University: Southern Nazarene University is an expression of the Church of the Nazarene. It reserves the right to prefer employees on the basis of religion (Title VII, Section 702-703, U.S. Civil Rights Act of 1964).

Anyone with questions or concerns regarding sex discrimination or the university's compliance with Title IX can contact the university's Title IX Coordinator:

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Office of Student Life
Southern Nazarene University
Webster Commons, Lower Level
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Employees contact:

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