# University of Alaska Fairbanks Title IX Metrics July 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022 Summary

Initial assessment by TIX and classified as: (see reverse for description)	ALL REPORTS	Inquiry ongoing. Supportive measures offered.	Report assessed. No jurisdiction. Supportive measures offered.	Report assessed. Possible policy violation, but not a Title IX policy violation. Referred to appropriate department. Supportive measures offered.	Report assessed. Cannot proceed due to nonparticipation or insufficient evidence; case closed. Supportive measures offered.	MEETS REQUIREMENTS FOR FURTHER ACTION (Subtotal)	Informal Resolution Process. Supportive measures offered.	Investigation Ongoing. Supportive measures offered.	Investigation Complete: Respondent found not responsible. Supportive measures offered.	Investigation Complete: Respondent found responsible. Supportive measures and remedies offered.
Complicity	1			1						
Dating or Domestic Violence*	19		9	9	1					
Interfering Consensual Sexual Conduct Quid Pro Quo	1			1						
Retaliation	2			2						
Sex- or gender- based Discrimination	8		2	6						
Sexual Assault*	22	2	11	3	5	1	1			
Sexual Exploitation										
Stalking*	1	1								
Unwelcome Sexual Conduct	22		1	21						
Not Title IX Behavior	33			33						
Meets Requirements for Further Action (Total)						1				
TOTAL # WHERE RESOURCES/ REFERRAL WERE OFFERED	109									
							•	•	nctions**	0
Closed within 180 days Closed after 180		* Behaviors that also fall under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA).  **Major discipline/sanctions includes suspension, expulsion or termination. Minor discipline/sanctions represent a variety of conditions including but not limited to								
days Pregnancy Accommodations		4	warnings, education, probation, and other discretionary sanctions.							

### TITLE IX ACTION CLASSIFICATIONS DEFINED

All reports	This number represents all reports assessed by the Equity and Compliance
·	Offices during this time. Reports are received through an online form, in person,
	by email, phone or other method.
Report assessed. No jurisdiction. Supportive	Jurisdiction provides the authority to investigate. Jurisdiction depends on a
measures offered.	number of factual elements, including the location of the alleged incident,
	affiliation of those involved, and any impact on campus. For example, if a non-
	student sexually assaulted a UA student off campus, UA would not have Title IX
	jurisdiction to investigate. Supportive measures are made available to the complainant.
Report assessed. Possible policy violation, but not a	Reports to the Equity and Compliance offices may include allegations that do not
Title IX policy violation. Referred to Student	meet the definition for prohibited conducted under Title IX, such as a single
Conduct / HR. Supportive measures offered.	comment of a sexual nature. While inappropriate, this does not rise to the level
,	of a Title IX policy violation. In these cases, supportive measures are made
	available to the complainant and the issue is forwarded to the appropriate
	department for action under other applicable policies.
Report assessed. Cannot proceed due to	Often times a complainant in a sexual harassment or sexual assault case will not
nonparticipation or insufficient evidence; case	want the university to proceed with an investigation. In these situations, a
closed. Supportive measures offered.	Gatekeeper Analysis is completed to assess whether the University must proceed
	despite the complainant's wishes. Factors include involvement of a pattern of
	offenses, predation, force, or involvement of a minor. In other cases,
	investigation may not be possible due to insufficient evidence to proceed with an
	investigation. Supportive measures are made available to the complainants in both types of cases.
MEETS REQUIREMENTS FOR FURTHER ACTION	This number is a subtotal and represents the Title IX reports that are within
	University of Alaska jurisdiction, constitute a Title IX allegation, and where the
	complainant supports investigation or the Gatekeeper analysis requires
	investigation.
Informal Resolution Process.	If the complainant, the respondent, and the Title IX coordinator all agree that an
Supportive measures offered.	informal resolution should be pursued, the Title IX coordinator will attempt to
	facilitate a resolution of the conflict that is agreeable to all parties. Supportive
	measures are made available to the complainant and respondent as appropriate.
Investigation Ongoing. Supportive measures	Investigation is underway but has not been completed at time of reporting.
offered.	Supportive measures are made available to the complainant and respondent.  The respondent was found not responsible after a university Title IX investigator
Investigation Complete: Respondent found not responsible. Supportive measures and remedies	conducted an impartial investigation using the preponderance of the evidence
offered.	standard, which requires a showing that it is more likely than not that conduct
	violating Title IX policy occurred. Supportive measures are made available to the
	complainant and respondent.
Investigation Complete: Respondent found	The respondent was found responsible after a university Title IX investigator
responsible. Supportive measures and remedies	conducted an impartial investigation using the preponderance of the evidence
offered.	standard, which requires a showing that it is more likely than not that conduct
	violating Title IX occurred. Supportive measures and remedies are made available
	to the complainant and the respondent.

### INITIAL ASSESSMENT CLASSIFICATIONS DEFINED

\*As defined in Board of Regents Policy and University Regulations Chapter 01.04 per federal law, August 14, 2020.

Complicity	"Complicity" is any act taken with the purpose of aiding, facilitating, promoting,
	or encouraging an act of sex or gender-based discrimination.
Dating or Domestic Violence	"Dating violence" is violence committed by a respondent: a. who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the complainant; and b. where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors: i. The length of the relationship; ii. The type of relationship; and iii. The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.
	"Domestic violence" includes verbal or physical assault, violating a protective order, terroristic threatening, burglary, criminal trespass, criminal mischief, harassment, arson, criminally negligent burning committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the complainant, by a respondent with whom the complainant shares a child in common, by a respondent who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the complainant as a spouse or intimate partner, by a respondent similarly situated to a spouse of the complainant, or by any other respondent against an adult or youth complainant who is protected from that respondent's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of Alaska. This definition does not apply to roommates in university housing unless the parties also meet one of the above definitions within this provision as well.
Interfering Consensual Sexual Conduct	Consensual sexual conduct that unreasonably interferes with other employees' work or other students' studies, or creates a hostile, intimidating, or offensive working, living, or learning environment.
Not Title IX Behavior	These are reports that do not fall under Title IX behavior. In these cases, supportive measures (if appropriate) are made available to the complainant and the issue is forwarded to the appropriate department for action.
Pregnancy Accommodations	To ensure equal access for pregnant individuals, the university provides reasonable accommodations and adjustments related to pregnancy and childbirth. University policy and federal and state law prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex and pregnancy in the university's programs and activities. Specific accommodations are handled on a case-by-case basis and depend on medical need and individual requirements. A few examples of reasonable pregnancy accommodations include excusing absences from class missed due to pregnancy-related medical conditions and appointments, flexibility in the administration of exams, and providing access to accessible parking.
Quid Pro Quo	A university employee, agent, or contractor conditioning the provision of an aid, benefit, or service of the university on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct;
Retaliation	Retaliation. Adverse action taken against a person participating in a sex and gender-based discrimination report or investigation because of that participation.
Sex or Gender-based Discrimination	"Sex and gender-based discrimination" occurs when an individual is treated less favorably on the basis of that person's sex or gender, which may also include on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, pregnancy or pregnancy-related condition, or a sex stereotype.

Sexual Assault	"Sexual assault" includes rape, sodomy, sexual assault with an object, fondling, incest, and statutory rape. The definitions of those acts follow: a. "Rape" is nonconsensual vaginal or anal penetration of a person with a penis no matter how slight, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of their age or because of their incapacitation. b. "Sodomy" is non-consensual oral or anal penetration of another person, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of their age or because of their incapacitation. Examples of sodomy are non-consensual anal penetration with a tongue or finger or oral copulation (mouth to genital contact or genital to mouth contact), no matter how slight the penetration or contact. c. "Sexual assault with an object" is non-consensual vaginal or anal penetration with an object no matter how slight the penetration. d. "Fondling" is the touching of the breasts, buttocks, or genitals 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 their age or because of incapacitation.
Sexual Exploitation	Fondling can occur over or under clothing.  "Sexual exploitation" occurs when a person takes non-consensual or abusive sexual advantage of another for the person's own advantage or benefit, or to benefit or advantage anyone other than the one being exploited, including but not limited to: i. invasion of sexual privacy, prostituting another person, nonconsensual video or audio-taping of sexual activity, going beyond the boundaries of consent (such as secretly letting others watch consensual sex), engaging in voyeurism; ii. knowingly transmitting an STI or STD to another individual without that individual's knowledge; iii. intentionally or recklessly exposing one's genitals for the purpose of sexual gratification; iv. inducing another to expose their genitals.
Stalking	"Stalking" means engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to either fear for their safety or the safety of others; or suffer substantial emotional distress.
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 university's education program or activity.



# **University of Alaska Fairbanks- Title IX Brief February 2023 Board of Regents Meeting**

#### Academic Year 2022- 2023

EFFORT	COMMENTS	
Outreach, Education and Prevention/Awareness Programming	Fall 2022 Activities  Student Leadership Institute Title IX and You Training- New Student Orientation Title IX Training Suicide Prevention Week Activities OPR Prevention Training Memorial Wall Nanooks Care Wheel of Misfortune Alcohol Awareness Education The Price is Too High- Drug/Alcohol/ Risky Behaviors and Student Conduct) Campus Security Authority Training Minors on Campus Training Mental Health First Aid Training Tie Dyeversity Equity and Compliance Training Sexual Health Carnival Disability Services Virtual Conference Opioid Overdose Prevention Healthy Relationships- setting healthy boundaries Racism and Marginalization Workshop National Voter Registration Day Safe Zone Gay-mer Night Queer Shopping Night Latin X Trivia LGBTQ+ Trivia Native American/ Alaska Native Trivia Night LGBTQ+ History and History in Alaska Gender Inclusion 101 Training National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week Activities International Pronouns Day Rainbow Disco Bringing in the Bystander Training	

	Klondike Drag at the Pub     Transgender Day of Remembrance     Club Q Memorial     Polar Grizz Bearding Competition     Relaxation Stations     International Human Rights Day     Condom Week- Consent Fest/ Sexual Responsibility Fair     DEIA Training     Implicit Bias Training     Accessibility Briefing- Staff Council     Respectful Workplace Training     Decolonizing the Curriculum: An Indigenous Perspective with Dr. Michael Yellowbird     Shine a Light Speaker Series- monthly topic  Spring 2023 Activities (scheduled to-date)     DEIA: Dare to be Prepared Training (Consent, Healthy Relationships, Alcohol, DEIA, Gender Inclusion, etc.)     Implicit Bias and Hiring- EPSCOR/ INBRE's IGNITE Workshop     MLK Day Celebration/ AK Civil Rights Day     Implicit Bias Workshop     Human Trafficking Awareness Month Activities     One Love Workshop     Sex in the Dark     Valentine's Day Bingo     Erika Heart Guest Speaker- Sexuality Educator     Gender Inclusion 101 Training     Condom Week- Consent Fest/ Sexual Responsibility Fair     Safe Zone Training     International Women's Day Tabling Event     QPR Suicide Prevention Training     Pride Week at UAF     Autism Awareness Tabling     Lavender Graduation     Inclusive Excellence Awards     Bringing in the Bystander Training     Shine a Light Speaker Series- monthly topic
Training	Online, Zoom, and in-person training has been offered. <b>Title IX Student Training Completion:</b> 94% of UAF students completed training by January 13, 2023.
	<b>Title IX Employee Training Completion:</b> 54% of UAF employees completed training by January 13, 2023.

Title IX Training Completed by Title IX Employees: UAF Equity and Compliance's Title IX focused staff were trained on Clery March 29-31, 2021, the new Federal rules in June 2020 by ATIXA, attended Grand River Solutions' training on October 2020, ATIXA Investigator 3B November 2022, and ATIXA Webinar on Severe, Pervasive and Objectively Offensive. Title IX staff training and training materials are posted online at: <a href="https://www.uaf.edu/equity/training">https://www.uaf.edu/equity/training</a>

**Title IX Training for Residence Life:** Title IX training for ResLife professional staff, resident assistants, desk attendants, and mentors was completed on August 19, 2022. Additional training provided includes: QPR, Safe Zone, RA roles, RA Roles & Mental Health, Bringing in the Bystander, CARE, Concern, and Conduct Case Management.

**Bystander Intervention Training:** UAF provides training to students and employees throughout the year using the Bringing in the Bystander training program.

#### **Everfi Alcohol Edu (3-year agreement):**

UAF is reinstituting required training in for degree seeking residential students under 27 year of age, student athletes, and student employees working within Student Affairs.

#### **Title IX General Updates**

**Advocacy:** UAF works with the Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living to offer victim advocacy resources and services 24/7 specifically for complainants. Resources will be provided to respondents when applicable. The ASUAF Student Advocate is available to both complainants and respondents for assistance with the Title IX process and resource information. UAF is currently working to enhance and expand the advocacy resources available to students through peer support.

**Rights:** Complainants are provided rights and resources at the time a report is made and again at the time an investigation occurs. Respondents are provided rights and resources at the time they are notified of a formal complaint.

**Legal Resources:** UAF Student Government (ASUAF) contracts with a law firm to offer students 30-minute legal consultations. Deer Oaks Employee Assistance Program offers employees a 30-minute consultation with an attorney.

**Counseling:** Utilized by both complainants and respondents, the Student Health and Counseling Center or Employee Assistance Program are offered, depending on the parties' affiliation.

**Website:** The UAF Department of Equity and Compliance website is in compliance with the new Federal rules on Title IX: <a href="https://www.uaf.edu/equity/">https://www.uaf.edu/equity/</a>

**Rights Notification:** All UAF students and employees received a rights notification via email on September 29, 2021. Students received a second notification on February 9, 2022. Additionally, departments with university sponsored off-campus activities are working with students to ensure they know their rights during those activities. UAF and 3<sup>rd</sup> party sponsors have agreements on file with nondiscrimination expectations written into MOU/MOAs.

## Community & Campus Engagement

Alaska EPSCoR, Alaska INBRE and UAF's Department of Equity and Compliance collaborated to provide an Implicit Bias and Hiring Workshop January 2023 statewide and beyond to all UA faculty, staff, and students, as well as collaborators, community partners and anyone else interested in the topic

Title IX coordinator is a member of and meets monthly with the Fairbanks Prevention Alliance.

Title IX Coordinator is a member of and meets monthly with the Fairbanks Community Health Improvement Work Team for Trauma and Adverse Childhood Experiences led by Foundation Health Partners.

Title IX Coordinator is collaborating with community partners to host a Resiliency Conference in spring 2023 that will be held on the Troth Yeddha' Campus.

The UAF E&C works closely with Center for Student Rights and Responsibilities (CSRR), Residence Life, UA Human Resources (UA HR) as well as many other departments at UAF. Bi-weekly meetings are held with the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, the Provost, CSRR, UAF Fire Chief, and UA HR. Monthly meetings are held with Residence Life, UAF Police Chief, Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living, and Fairbanks Prevention Coalition.

The UAF Strategic Plan on Inclusive Excellence:

(https://www.uaf.edu/diversity/) started year two of project execution in October 2021. Individuals participating are from Admissions, Alaska Native Studies and Rural Development, Alumni Relations, Athletics, Biomedical Learning and Student Training Program, College of Engineering and Mines, College of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences, College of Liberal Arts, Foundation, eCampus, Geophysical Institute, governance groups, Graduate School, Grants and Contracts Administration, Nanook Diversity and Action Center, Northwest Campus, Office of Information Technology, School of Education, Student Support Services, UA Human

	Resources, UAF Police Department, University Relations, Student Affairs, Water and Environmental Research Center, students: undergraduate and graduate, Blossom House, community advocate for individuals with disabilities, Fairbanks Diversity Council, First Alaskans Institute, and Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living.  Shine a Light- Promoting Conversation on Diversity: The Northwest Campus, in partnership with UAF Equity and Compliance and Nanook Diversity & Action Center host monthly discussions to encourage understanding, build empathy, and engage us all in thinking critically about our world views. <a href="https://www.uaf.edu/nwc/outreach/shine-a-light.php">https://www.uaf.edu/nwc/outreach/shine-a-light.php</a>
Challenges	New Federal Rules/ Q&A: The multiple changes whether through the new rules (August 2020) or the OCR's Q&A (July 2021) requires adjustments of Policy and Regulation and resource materials, trainings and etc., continues to take time away from casework, impacting productivity and timing long after implementation work is done.  UA is in great need of updating UA Policy and University Regulation in several areas pertaining to protected classes and discrimination. These updates are pending the new Title IX rules release, but impact several areas not specific to sex- and gender-based issues.  Staffing challenges: As we continue to see staffing challenges in ours and and other Equity and Compliance Offices, it impacts UAF workloads.
Successes	Excellent Title IX training completion rates for employees at UAF.  More inclusive and equitable practices are being implemented within the UAF Fire Department, supporting underrepresented and diverse students and employees in the field.  Collaborations with faculty on proposals that have elements of DEI written into them.  Increased awareness and understanding of pregnancy and parenting rights under Title IX. See brochure: <a href="https://www.uaf.edu/equity/files/Pregnancy-and-Nursing-Brochure-05-2022.pdf">https://www.uaf.edu/equity/files/Pregnancy-and-Nursing-Brochure-05-2022.pdf</a> UAF continues to increase briefings and training for programs, departments and committees on DEIA- related topics to include Title IX.