
Title IX May 2018 Highlights

- The 2017 Climate Survey report will be released May 1st to the UA community. Next climate survey administration will be Spring 2019 with reporting to OCR due June 30th, 2019. 2019 survey administration planning meetings are scheduled to begin in June 2018.
- Later this week the Title IX Coordinators will be in Fairbanks to participate in training and meetings. Key meeting topics include Maxient utilization guidelines, document collaboration, draft pregnancy accommodation policy and regulation, a VRA check in and prevention and awareness outreach planning.
- May 7th the Board of Regents' Ad Hoc Committee on Title IX meets.
- VRA "Action Item M: New Complaints" full case file review for 2017-2018 is underway and overall is significantly ahead of last year. My thanks to the Title IX Coordinators and their staff for their hard work.
- UAF hired Patrick Shipwash as the new UAF Civil Rights Investigator, and Adante' Jones as the new Intake and Diversity Specialist.
- Regarding the February 2017 VRA highlighted 23 cases in which Office for Civil Rights addressed UA's prior handling of sexual misconduct cases – OCR stated that in the near future OCR hopes to get a response to UA "and that response may require the System to undertake additional steps."
- Previously Office for Civil Rights announced new proposed Title IX guidance would be released in March 2018; despite much chatter anticipating the release, to date this new guidance has not been released.