Title IX Compliance

What You Should Know About Reporting Sexual Harassment and Sexual Misconduct

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Agenda

• Title IX—What is it?
• Key Definitions
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• “No person in the United States shall on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.”
Title IX—What is it? (cont’d)

What does **THAT** mean?

- Program Equity
- Sexual Misconduct
- Protection For Pregnant and Parenting Students
Key Definitions

**Sexual Harassment:**
- Unwelcome or inappropriate promise exchange of rewards for sexual favors
- Bullying/coercion of a sexual nature

**Sexual Assault/Sexual Violence:**
- Rape
- Sexual coercion or sexual exploitation
Key Definitions (cont’d)

Sexual Assault/Sexual Violence (cont’d):
  – Any sexual activity that occurs **WITHOUT CONSENT!**

Consent:
  – Positive, unambiguous and voluntary
  – Think of consent like offering someone a cup of **tea** (or, if you prefer, coffee)
I Know...Now What?

The University’s responsibility is to respond **PROMPTLY** and **EFFECTIVELY** in order to:

- Investigate
- Stop
- Prevent
- Remedy
• 3 ways to report
  – Inform Title IX Coordinator (if employee is involved)
  – Inform Office of Student Conduct (if conduct involves students only)
  – Online at www.pvamu.edu/saia/equal-opportunity/ in the Forms section
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