

University Policy: Crimes of Violence or Non-forcible Sex Offenses: Disclosure Statement

Policy Category: Student Policies

Subject: Disclosure Statement

Office Responsible for Review of this Policy: Office of Campus Life

Procedures: Not Applicable

Related University Policies: Student Conduct Code

I. SCOPE

This statement establishes the conditions for disclosure of disciplinary outcomes and identities of students involved in crimes of violence or non-forcible sex offenses.

II. POLICY STATEMENT

In cases involving crimes of violence or non-forcible sex offenses the University, under certain conditions, will be permitted to disclose the final results of University disciplinary hearings, if a student has been found responsible. Disclosure of the name of any other student may only be made with the written consent of the student in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

III. POLICY

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) permits American University to disclose the final results of University disciplinary hearings, if a student has been found responsible for violating the Student Conduct Code in cases of crimes of violence or non-forcible sex offenses. In these cases, the University will disclose the name of the student, the violation committed, and any sanction imposed by the University when, in the judgment of the dean of students, such disclosure is necessary to protect the safety and well-being of the campus community. Disclosure may include the name of any other student, such as a victim or witness, only with the written consent of the student. Contact Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution Services for further information at 202-885-3328.

IV. EFFECTIVE DATE(S)

This Policy was last reviewed in October 2015.

V. SIGNATURE, TITLE AND DATE OF APPROVAL

This policy needs to be signed by the appropriate officer (listed below) before it is considered approved.

This document was approved and signed by

**Gail Hanson
Vice President of Campus Life**

on November 12, 2015