

PREVENTING SEXUAL ASSAULT AND HARASSMENT

Summer 2016 Update

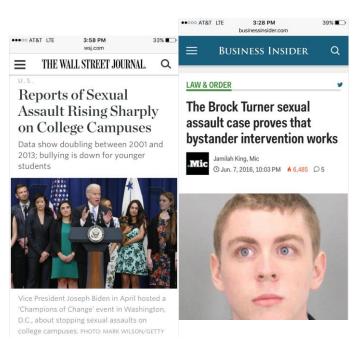
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A Brief Overview

THE NATIONAL CONTEXT

IN THE LAST 2 MONTHS





Students protest during Stanford University's graduation in June



















- The Current Context for Title IX
- Other Relevant Laws and Statutes
- W&M Infrastructure and Staffing
- Education and Prevention Efforts
- Support for Survivors of Violence
- Investigation and Adjudication
- Assessing Campus Climate

WHAT GOVERNING BOARDS SHOULD KNOW

GUIDANCE FROM THE AGB ADVISORY STATEMENT (OCTOBER, 2013)

- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 is the principle federal law on the issue of sexual misconduct
- Title IX prohibits sex-based discrimination in any university program or activity. Sexual harassment and sexual misconduct are forms of sex-based discrimination
 - The law requires "prompt and equitable" procedures for complaints
 - It also requires institutions to eliminate such harassment, prevent its recurrence, and address its effects

Existing Regulatory Framework



- The Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights has taken an aggressive stance against Title IX violations in recent years
- In 2011, it issued the now-infamous "Dear Colleague Letter", giving guidance to institutions on Title IX compliance
 - The letter expressly defined sexual violence as a form of sexual harassment
 - It also made clear that the Department of Education can fine or withhold funds to schools found to have failed to adequately address sexual misconduct claims

Title IX and the Department of Education

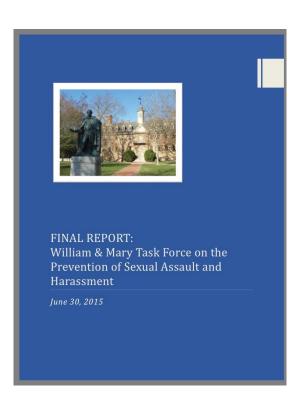


- The Obama Administration has made combating sexual misconduct on college campuses a priority
- The White House Council on Women and Girls released a report in January 2014 on rape and sexual assault, with a special emphasis on campus incidents
- This report led to the creation of the White House Task Force to Protect Students from Sexual Assault
- In VA, establishment of the Attorney General's Task Force



National Focus on Campus Sexual Misconduct

PRESIDENT'S TASK FORCE



- Campus Climate
- Education & Prevention
- Investigation & Adjudication
- Faculty/Staff Training

IMMEDIATE ACTIONS

- Poster Campaign
- Expanded Focus on Bystander Intervention
- Strategic Staffing Increases
- Expanded police training
- New Interim Policy and Procedures
- Robust Website Centralizing Resources
- Coordinating Committee
- 100% of faculty and staff completed training

Sexual Violence

Survivors of Sexual Violence-Information and Resources

Faculty and Staff -Information and Reporting

Supporting Survivors

Statistics & Community

Students Involved in W&M Complaint or Investigation Process Sites > Sexual Violence

Sexual Violence

Resources, support, and information about sexual violence and Title IX.

GET HELP NOW REPORTING OPTIONS

POLICIES & TERMS

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Moving the Task Force's Work Forward

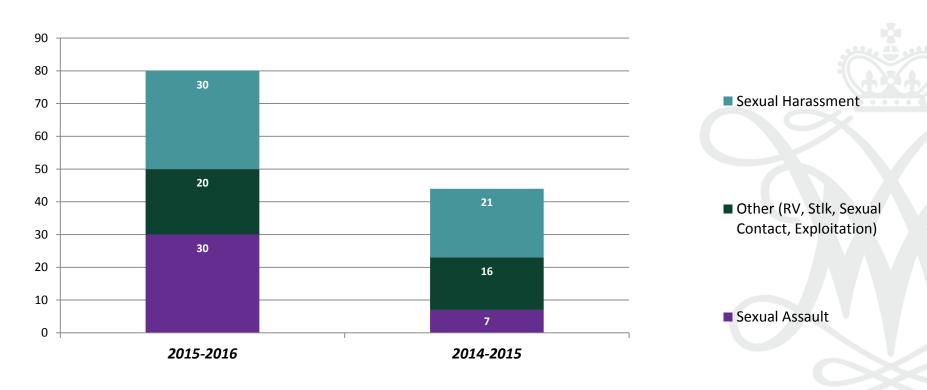
2015-16 UPDATE



ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Coordinating Committee
- Fraternity/Sorority Task Force
- "It's On Us" Organizing Efforts
- Policies and Procedures/Faculty Handbook
- Student Awareness of Resources
- New Training Course for Faculty/Staff
- Expanded Support for the Haven
- Working with student advocates in 16(IX)3

NUMBER AND TYPE OF TITLE IX VIOLATIONS REPORTED



2015-16 INVESTIGATION OUTCOMES

- 20 cases investigated
- 11 resulted in a finding of policy violation
 - 2 Permanent Dismissal
 - 2 Suspension
 - 5 Probation (not sexual assault cases)
 - 2 non-student disciplinary measures

PLANS FOR 2016-17

- Developing 3-5 Year Strategic Plan
- Expanding Prevention Efforts
- Administering Campus Climate Survey
- Managing No-Contact Orders
- Learning and Communicating