







Jeanne Clery Act: More on the Law



Originally passed in 1990 as part of the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act.

Amended in 1992, 1998, and 2008 by the Higher Education

Codified at 20 USC 1092f

Regulations appear at 34 CFR 668.46

The most recent Final Rules were published in **Oct. 29, 2009** Federal Register (pp. 55902-55969), Oct. 31, 2002 Federal Register (pp. 66519-66521), and Nov. 1, 1999 Federal Register (pp. 59060-59073).



Jeanne Clery Act



- **Annual Security Report**
 - Statements of policy

 - Campus crime statistics Campus Sexual Assault Victim Bill of
- Ongoing Disclosures
 - Emergency notification Timely warning

 - Public Crime Log
- U.S. Department of Education Enforces





Jeanne Clery Act Crime Statistics



- Criminal homicide
 - Murder/non-negligent manslaughterNegligent Manslaughter
- Sex offenses

 Forcible

- Non-forcible
 Non-forcible
 Robbery
 Aggravated Assault
 Burglary
 Motor Vehicle Theft
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- Arson
- VAWA amendments to Clery
 - Dating Violence
 - Domestic ViolenceStalking

- Arrests & disciplinary referrals
 - Liquor law violations
 - Drug law violations
- Illegal weapons possessionHate Crimes
- - + larceny-theft, simple assaults, intimidation, & destruction, damage, vandalism of property



Clery Act: Sexual Assault Victims' Bill of Rights





- Reasonable changes to academic and living situations
- Referrals to counseling, assistance in notifying law enforcement
- Same opportunity as accused to have others present at disciplinary hearing
- Unconditionally notified of outcome of hearing, sanctions and terms of sanctions in place
- Speak (or choose not to speak) to anyone regarding the outcome
- Name and identifying information kept confidential (FERPA)

Violence Against Women Act Sec. 304 Highlights



- · Addition of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking
- Prevention and awareness programs (primary prevention)
- Procedures to follow
- Information in writing
- Change in academic/living/transportation/working situation
- Option to notify law enforcement
- Campus disciplinary procedures
- Sanctions following a final determination



Title IX Restrictions



- Who is required to comply with Title IX?

 All public & private educational institutions that receive federal funds.
 - What is receive federal funds under Title IX?
 - Qualifying federal financial assistance can be in the form of: an award or grant of money; use of rent of federal land or property; and federal training.

 Federal financial assistance can also be received.

 - indirectly

 » Ex: Accepting students who receive federal financial aid (FAFSA)

What does Title IX say?

General mandate: Prohibits recipients of federal financial assistance from discriminating on the basis of sex in education programs or activities. Sexual harassment of students, which includes acts of sexual violence, can be a form of sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX.



Title IX Overview



How does Title IX protect students?

- Protects students in connection with all the academic, educational, extracurricular, athletic, and other programs of the school.
- Also protects students who may have been sexually harassed off school grounds, outside a school's education program or activity, if the harasser was a fellow student.

Advocacy Tip: Remember that Title IX applies to K-12 schools, as well as colleges. Keep this in mind when working with minor survivors.



What is required of schools even before a report of sexual violence?



- · Publish a notice of non-discrimination.
- Designate an employee to coordinate Title IX compliance.
 - (4) Responsibilities:
 - ✓ Disseminate notice of nondiscrimination
 - ✓ Identify and address systemic patterns of discrimination
 - ✓ Educate parties about the policy and answer procedural questions about the logistics of the disciplinary process
 - ✓ Oversee the investigation of a complaint
- · Adopt and publish grievance procedures.



Title IX Enforcement



- Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights (OCR)
 - 12 regional offices nationwide
 - Enforces a number of federal laws
 - Provides free technical assistance
 - Handles complaints from K-12 and higher education
 - "Prompt and equitable" standard



Clery Act Enforcement



- United States Department of Education Clery Compliance Team (past of Office of Federal Student Aid- FSA)
- Administrative complaint filed with the Department of Education by any party
- Fine per violation of \$35,000 per violation

Evolving Compliance Landscape U.S. Department of ED Campus Safety Program Reviews, 1997-2012 25 20 15 10 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 • Ongoing/pending ED program reviews • Increase in student-led Clery Act complaints



Enforcement Mechanisms



- Title IX
- Penalty for Violating Statute
 - No fee, potential revoking of federal aid
- Private right of action against school
 - Applies to private and public schools for student-on-student and teacher-on-student harassment
- The Clery Act
- Penalty for Violating Statute
 - If DOE finds that the institution is in violation, it can issue civil fines of up to \$35,000 per violation.
 - No private right to sue or receive compensation
 - The individual must write a grievance to DOE and only DOE can bring action against the institution.

"Technical Assistance Guide & Resource Kit for Primary Prevention," The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape. 21 January 2014. Retrieved from http://www.pcar.org/pdf/TAGuide_and_Resource_Kit_for_Primary_Prevention_and_Evaluation.pdf





Intersections between Title IX and The Clery Act



Topics to Cover



- · Relation to Institution
- Comparing Campus Security Authorities and Responsible Employees
 - Confidentiality and Timely Warnings
- Policy Requirement Changes due to VAWA Amendments to Clery and Title IX Guidance





Relation to Institution



What is covered under Title IX?



- · Relation to the institution relevant
 - Title IX protects male and female students from sexual harassment by a school employee, another student or a non-employee third party (e.g. visiting speaker or visiting athletics).
 - -2001 DOE Guidance Letter pg. 3
- Geography
 - Can be off campus, as long as the activity is related to the institution



What is covered under Clery?



- Relation to the institution irrelevant
 - The institution should count all Clery Act crimes within the Clery geography even if they involve individuals not associated with the institution.
 - » (Handbook for Clery Reporting pg. 54)
 - Clery Crimes: Include sexual assault offenses, both forcible and non forcible.
 - » (Handbook for Clery Reporting pg. 33; 34 CRF 668. 46(c)
 - VAWA expands Clery crimes to include intimate partner violence, including stalking, dating violence and domestic violence offenses.



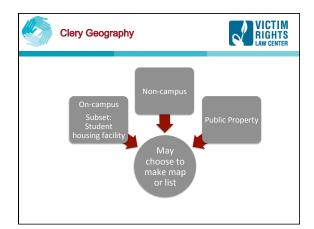
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Geography

- A covered institution must only disclose statistics for reported Clery crimes that occur:
 (1) on campus,

 - (2) on public property within or immediately adjacent to the campus, and (3) in or on non-campus buildings or property that your institution owns or controls.
 - (Handbook for Clery Reporting pg. 54).







Comparing Campus Security Authorities with Responsible Employees



Appropriate Reporters



Title IX

- Responsible Employee
 standard
- A school has notice if a responsible employee "knew or in the exercise of reasonable care should have known" about the harassment.
- about the harassment.

 Includes "any employee who has the authority to take action to redress the harassment, who has the duty to report to appropriate school officials sexual harassment or any other misconduct by students or employees, or an individual who a student could reasonable believe has this authority or responsibility."

Clery Act

- Must be reported to a campus security authority (CSA), which includes:
- A campus police department or a campus security department of an institution.
- Those responsible for campus security but who does not constitute a campus police department or a campus security
- Those specified in an institution's statement of campus security policy as source to which students and employees should report
- An official of an institution with significant responsibility for student and campus activities, including, but not limited to, student housing, student discipline and
- If someone has significant responsibility for student and campus activities, he or she is a campus security authority. (Handbook for Clery, pgs. 74-75)



Comparing Reporters



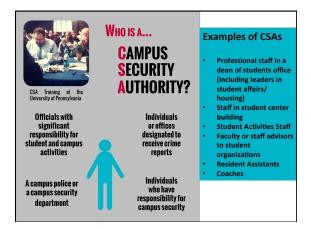
Responsible Employee

- Title IX Coordinator is a responsible employee
- · Faculty are permissible
- Persons with privilege do not have to report
- Persons designated by campus as confidential do not have to provide identifying information

Campus Security Authority

- Faculty are not included (unless specified by the institution)
- · Timely warning requirement
- An institution has the discretion to appoint anyone as a CSA

Title IX Reporting Structure Persons with Statutory Privilege Responsible Employees Persons with Confidentiality





Reporting Obligations: Clery



- · Timely Warning Policy
 - Timely warnings must be issued to the campus community regarding any Clery crime that occurs on your Clery geography that is:
 - Reported to campus security authorities or local police agencies;
 - Is considered by the institution to represent <u>a serious or continuing</u> threat to students and employees.
 - When to issue a timely warning?
 - Case-by-case basis
 - Handbook for Clery Reporting 11; 34 CRF 668.46(e)



Circumstances that Trigger Warning



- Clery Act crimes
 Included in annual statistics
- Reported to CSA or local law enforcement
- Occurred in the specified geographic

 - On-campus Public property Non-campus
- Represents a serious or continuing threat

 - StudentsEmployees



Contents of Timely Warnings



- The Clery Act requires disclosure of whether or not you have a confidential or anonymous reporting structure
- · Timely warnings should withhold the names of victims as confidential
- · Could include:
 - Description of perpetrator's race/clothing
 - Where assault occurred
 - Time of assault
 - Brief description of assault



Timely Warning Concerns



- Determination of "serious or continuing threat" when there is a:
 - Victim requests confidentiality
 - Victim not pursuing criminal or formal disciplinary complaint
 - Continuing threat is to one person (i.e. domestic violence)



What to Include in a Timely Warning



Timely Warnings Include:

- · Information that promotes safety
- · Allows individuals to protect themselves
- Time, location and type of crime
- Should not identify a victim



Exempt Cases



- · Crimes Reported to:
 - Pastoral or professional counselor
- Privileged Information Protected by State Law:
 - Medical doctor
 - Attorney/client





Policy Requirements



Points of Difference: Advisors



- VAWA Amendments will require that both parties be able to choose any person as their advisor
 - Advisor may be an attorney (based on draft regulations and statute), "advisor or choice"
 - Advisor may attend ANY meeting, informal or formal
 - Consideration of whether or not to limit participation



Points of Difference: Outcomes



- Notice of outcome Title IX
 - Both parties must be notified concurrently about the outcome of both the complaint and any appeal
 - Must be related to the case: Disclosures about unrelated sanctions may result in a violation of FERPA
- · Non-disclosure agreements
 - Postsecondary institutions may not require a complainant to abide by a nondisclosure agreement



Outcomes: Clery Act



- · Notice of outcome
 - Victims and perpetrator must be simultaneously informed of campus court proceedings results
- · Non-disclosure agreements
 - Institution cannot require victim to sign non-disclosure agreement
- Identity of victim and perpetrator
 - Prohibits personally identifiable information from being included in institution's disclosure of crime statistics



Points of Difference: Policy Name



- VAWA Amendments will require either three separate policies for DV, SA and Stalking or the entire policy will be broadly named
 - i.e. Gender Based Misconduct





Intersections and Questions







- Philadelphia, PA October 13-14, 2014
- · Two-day Conference- Intersections in Compliance

http://clerycenter.org/event/2014-10-13-000000-2014-10-14-000000/intersections-compliance-two-day-conference-title-ix-and





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· National Campus Safety Awareness Month (Free)

http://clerycenter.org/national-campus-safety-awareness-month