# Non-Discrimination and Gender-Based Misconduct Policy and Complaint Procedures for Students - Title IX

( Including Sexual Harassment, Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence & Dating Violence)

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I. Purpose

This Policy outlines standards of behavior and requirements for non-discrimination and gender-based misconduct at Albert Einstein College of Medicine (also referred to as “Einstein” or “College of Medicine”).

II. Scope

To Whom Applicable

This Policy applies to all Einstein students, as well as faculty, administration (whether supervisors, administrators and managers), and other staff, whether full-time or part-time (hereinafter collectively, “employees”), employees of contracted service providers, interns, volunteers, visitors, and other third-parties conducting business with College of Medicine, and covers their treatment of each other as well as others with whom they come into contact at or near College of Medicine and/or at Einstein-sponsored and affiliated activities and events.

Where Applicable

This Policy is intended to protect all afore-mentioned individuals and applies to conduct that occurs on Einstein premises and/or at Einstein-sponsored and affiliated activities and events, whether on Einstein premises or at other locations, including, but not limited to, overnight trips, service learning programs and internships, study or research abroad, work-related travel, off-site conferences, and to all forms/uses of technology by all individuals covered by this policy. College of Medicine may also address off-campus behavior that occurs other than at Einstein sponsored or affiliated events if it determines that the behavior, or the continued presence of the accused perpetrator creates or contributes to a hostile environment, or impairs, obstructs, substantially interferes with or adversely affects the mission, processes or functions of College of Medicine.

Discrimination, harassment or Sexual Misconduct in any form (including Sexual Harassment, Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence and Dating Violence) is a violation of this policy and will be dealt with seriously, promptly and thoroughly. If any of the principles and procedures in this policy are inconsistent with those contained in another Einstein policy, the principles and procedures in this policy will control, except that this policy does not override any applicable rights or provisions contained in any collective bargaining agreement or faculty policy.

Which Procedures Applicable

The specific set of investigative and disciplinary procedures that apply will depend on the parties involved as follows:

If a student is involved as either an alleged victim (the “Complainant”) or an accused (the “Respondent”), the procedures set forth herein will apply.

Where both the Complainant and Respondent are employees, faculty, or volunteers, the procedures set forth in the Non-Discrimination and Gender-Based Misconduct Policy and Complaint Procedures for Employees will apply.
Where a Respondent is both a student and an employee, faculty, or volunteer, the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will determine which of these procedures applies based on the circumstances (such as whether the student or employee role predominates, particularly in reference to the relevant incident).

Einstein’s disciplinary authority may not extend to the third parties mentioned above (employees of contracted service providers, interns, volunteers, visitors, and other third-parties conducting business with Einstein) who are not students, employees, or faculty of College of Medicine. However, a Complaint that such a person engaged in Prohibited Conduct against a student will be investigated in accordance with this policy as will a Complaint of Prohibited Conduct by such a third party about a student. A Complaint that such a third party engaged in Prohibited Conduct against an employee will be investigated in accordance with the Gender-Based Misconduct Policy and Complaint Procedures for Employees, as will a Complaint of Prohibited Conduct by such a third party about an employee.

III. Policy

III.A. Executive Summary

The following is a brief summary of the Policy. Please read the full policy for more details, including definitions and examples of discrimination and harassment; Complaint Reporting Procedures and Guidelines; and the Investigation and Resolution processes.

Einstein prohibits discriminatory practices, harassment and sexual misconduct of any kind and in any form. Detailed definitions of Prohibited Conduct under this policy are set forth in Section IV.

Complaints may be made to Einstein’s Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, Director of Security, Dean of Students, Senior Counsel or Confidential Compliance Hotline, as set forth in Section VII. Complaints also may be made to any other Einstein personnel identified as “campus security authorities” including Office of Student Affairs and Housing Office.

There is no time limit on when a Complaint can be made.

No Einstein employee may discourage an individual from making a Complaint.

Any Einstein employee (other than an employee serving in a privileged professional capacity or designated as a confidential resource) serving in a managerial or supervisory capacity with any knowledge of Prohibited Conduct by employees, students, or third parties, must report the incident to the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, Director of Security, Dean of Students, or Senior Counsel, even if the individual complaining of such discrimination, harassment or Sexual Misconduct is not interested in filing a formal Complaint. If anyone other than the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources receives the Complaint, they must immediately report it to the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources. See Section VIII(A). All other employees are encouraged to make such reports.

Einstein will respond to all Complaints promptly, thoroughly, fairly and impartially, pursuant to the procedures set forth in Sections VII and VIII. Complaints will be overseen by the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources.
Einstein expects all members of Einstein community to cooperate with investigations.

Retaliation is prohibited against anyone who filed and/or participated in the investigation of a Complaint, even if the Complaint is unsubstantiated.

Those who knowingly make a false report will be subject to serious disciplinary action.

*Individuals who allege they are victims of Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence, or Dating Violence (defined in Section IV) have the right (i) to make a report to the Security Department, local law enforcement and/or State Police or choose not to report; (ii) to report the incident to College of Medicine; (iii) to request College of Medicine’s assistance in notifying law enforcement authorities; (iv) to be protected by College of Medicine from retaliation for reporting an incident; and (v) to receive assistance and resources from College of Medicine.*

Any questions regarding this policy may be directed to Einstein’s Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources:

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**III.B. Statement of Non-Discrimination**

Einstein is committed to the principles of non-discrimination. Einstein prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, creed, age, national origin or ancestry, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, physical or mental disability, veteran or disabled veteran status, military status, pregnancy status, genetic predisposition/carrier status, citizenship status, familial status, Domestic Violence victim status, or any other personal characteristic protected under applicable federal, state or local law.

**III.C. Prohibited Conduct and Definitions**

Einstein is committed to maintaining an academic, work and living environment in which all individuals are treated with respect and dignity. Each individual at Einstein has the right to learn in a safe environment that promotes equal opportunities for all. This policy prohibits discriminatory practices, harassment and Sexual Misconduct of any kind (“Prohibited Conduct,” as set forth below). Where Prohibited Conduct has occurred, Einstein will act promptly to stop it, prevent its recurrence, and discipline and/or take other appropriate action against those responsible.

This policy is not intended to regulate protected speech. However, freedom of speech and academic freedom are not limitless and do not protect speech or expressive conduct that violates this policy or otherwise violates federal, state or local anti-discrimination laws.
III.C.1. Prohibited Conduct

Prohibited Conduct includes discrimination or harassment based on race, religion, color, creed, age, national origin or ancestry, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, physical or mental disability, veteran or disabled veteran status, military status, pregnancy status, genetic predisposition/carrier status, citizenship status, familial status, Domestic Violence victim status, or any other characteristic protected by any applicable law, ordinance, or regulation.

Applicable laws that prohibit such discrimination and harassment include, but are not limited to, the following: Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (“Title VII”), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex, pregnancy status, race, color, national origin, or religion; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (“Title IX”), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (“VAWA”); Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (“Clery Act”); Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability; N.Y. Executive Law, art. 15, §290 et seq. (Human Rights Law); and Title 8 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York (Human Rights Law).

This policy prohibits discrimination against or harassment of any individual based on that individual’s membership in a protected class, whether or not it rises to the level of unlawful discrimination or harassment. In addition, this policy protects all others listed above in Section II, even if they are not members of a protected class, for example, if someone is discriminated against or harassed based on an inaccurate assumption that the person is a member of a protected class.

Examples of conduct that may violate this policy include the use of epithets, slurs, jokes, stereotyping, or intimidating, hostile, or violent acts directed at any individual because of his/her protected class status, as well as the failure to provide equal consideration, acknowledgment or access to educational opportunities to equally qualified individuals. Harassment does not have to include intent to harm or be directed at a specific target. Prohibited harassment may involve a single episode or ongoing behavior depending on the severity of the issue. In addition, this policy forbids not only verbal and physical harassment but also harassment in any medium, including email and electronic social media.

Discrimination and harassment can take many forms, including, but not limited to, Sexual Harassment, Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence and Dating Violence. These and related terms are defined below and in Appendix D. Such behaviors are prohibited by this policy as well as federal, state and local laws. Anyone found responsible by Einstein for such conduct will face serious disciplinary sanctions, including suspension or expulsion from Einstein for students, and disciplinary sanctions for employees as set forth in Einstein’s Non-Discrimination and Gender-Based Misconduct Policy and Complaint Procedures for Employees.

III.C.2. Sexual Harassment

Sexual Harassment is offensive and includes harassment on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and the status of being transgender. Sexual Harassment in any form is prohibited and constitutes a violation of this policy, regardless of whether it rises to the level of being unlawful. Einstein may be
liable for harm to victims of Sexual Harassment by Einstein employees, students and others, and harassers may also be individually subject to liability.

For purposes of this policy, Sexual Harassment refers to any unwelcome or unwanted sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or other verbal, physical, demonstrative, or electronic conduct or communication of a sexual nature, or which is directed at an individual because of the individual’s sex, when:

- Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual’s employment or educational experience; or
- Submission or rejection of such conduct is used as the basis for a decision regarding an employment, academic, or other Einstein-related activity affecting such individual; or
- Such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual’s work or academic performance or participation in an Einstein program, department or extra-curricular activity; or
- Such conduct has the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working, learning, studying, or school environment.

Examples of conduct which may constitute Sexual Harassment include, but are not limited to: verbal comments of an overtly sexual nature, whether in the form of jokes, innuendoes, slurs, or other statements; the use of sexual teaching materials or comments of a sexual nature not relevant to the material being taught or any other academic purpose; remarks of a sexual nature about an individual’s clothing or body; remarks speculating about an individual’s sexual orientation, activity or previous sexual experiences; verbal harassment or abuse of a sexual nature; making offensive gender-based remarks; the display or transmission of sexually offensive objects, photographs, drawings, graffiti, email, electronic social media communications, computer graphics or programs when sexual content is not relevant to any academic purpose; non-verbal behaviors of a sexually degrading or offensive nature, such as gesturing, or leering; unwanted touching, hugging, or brushing against an individual’s body; requests, demands or persistent pressure for sexual favors, particularly when accompanied by an offer of rewards or threats of retaliation concerning work, grades, promotions, tenure or any other academic or related decision; and Sexual Abuse/Assault (“sexual violence”).

III.C.3. Sexual Assault

Sexual Assault is any nonconsensual sexual act prohibited by law, including when the victim is incapable of giving Consent. New York State does not specifically define Sexual Assault, however, for the purposes of this policy, Sexual Assault includes offenses that meet the definitions herein and in Appendix D of rape, Fondling, Incest, Sexual Abuse, or statutory rape. Sexual Assault includes:

1 See below and Appendix D for a discussion and definition of specific crimes and related terms.
Non-Consensual Sexual Contact: Any intentional sexual touching, however slight and with any object or body part, that is without Affirmative Consent (as defined below) and/or by threat, Intimidation, coercion, duress, violence, or by causing a reasonable fear of harm. This includes intentional contact with breasts, buttocks, groin, mouth, or genitals, as well as any other intentional bodily contact that occurs in a sexual manner.

Rape: The penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, forcibly or without Affirmative Consent or where the victim is incapable of Affirmative Consent due to mental or physical incapacity. Statutory rape is non-forcible sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of Consent. In New York, the statutory age of Consent is 17 years old.

New York State law specifically defines rape as sexual intercourse with another person by forcible compulsion, or where the person is incapable of Consent, including in most circumstances where such person is a minor. It similarly defines a criminal sexual act as oral sexual conduct or anal sexual conduct with another person by forcible compulsion, or where the person is incapable of Consent, including in most circumstances where such person is a minor (statutory rape).

III.C.4. Affirmative Consent (“Consent”)

Affirmative Consent is defined as a knowing, voluntary, and mutual decision among all participants to engage in sexual activity. Consent can be given by words or actions, as long as those words or actions create clear permission regarding willingness to engage in the sexual activity. Silence or lack of resistance, in and of itself, does not demonstrate Consent. This definition does not vary based upon a participant’s sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression.

- Consent to any sexual act or prior consensual sexual activity between or with any party does not necessarily constitute Consent to any other sexual act;
- Consent is required regardless of whether the person initiating the act is under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol;
- Consent may be initially given but withdrawn at any time;
- Consent cannot be given when a person is incapacitated (as hereafter described);
- Consent cannot be given when it is the result of any coercion, Intimidation, force, or threat of harm; and
- When Consent is withdrawn or can no longer be given, sexual activity must stop.

Children under 17 years of age cannot legally Consent under New York State Law to having sex or sexual contact with an adult (i.e., someone who is 17 years of age or older). Any sexual contact in New York between a child under 17 and an adult is a crime, and any such illegal behavior between an Einstein student under 17 and an Einstein employee or employee of a contracted service provider to Einstein will be reported to an appropriate law enforcement agency. Other jurisdictions may have different standards, and any illegal behavior in such jurisdiction also will be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

Additionally, state law identifies certain other individuals who are incapable of Consent, including, the mentally disabled, mentally incapacitated, physically helpless, and certain persons who are committed to
the care and custody or a client or patient of a hospital or certain governmental departments, offices or agencies. committed to the care and custody of the state department of correctional services, a hospital, the office of children and family services and is in residential care, or the other person is a resident or inpatient of a residential facility operated by the office of mental health, the office for people with development disabilities, or the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services, and the actor is an employee, not married to such person, who knows or reasonably should know that such person is committed to the care and custody of such department or hospital.

III.C.5. Incapacitation

Occurs when an individual lacks the ability to knowingly choose to participate in sexual activity. Incapacitation may be caused by the lack of consciousness or being asleep, being involuntarily restrained, or if an individual otherwise cannot Consent. Depending on the degree of intoxication, someone who is under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicants may be incapacitated and therefore unable to Consent.

Evaluating Incapacitation requires an assessment of an individual’s:

- Decision-making ability;
- Awareness of consequences;
- Ability to make informed judgments;
- Capacity to appreciate the nature and the quality of the act; and
- Level of consciousness.

An individual who engages in sexual activity with someone the individual knows or reasonably should know is incapable of making a knowing, reasonable decision about whether to engage in sexual activity is in violation of this policy.

Alcohol and Other Drugs: In general, sex while under the influence of alcohol or other drugs poses a risk to all parties. Alcohol and drugs impair a person’s ability to provide Affirmative Consent, awareness of the consequences, and ability to make informed judgments. It is especially important, therefore, that anyone engaging in sexual activity be aware of the other person’s level of intoxication. If there is any doubt as to the level or extent of the other individual’s intoxication or impairment, the prudent course of action is to forgo or cease any sexual contact or activity.

Being intoxicated or impaired by drugs or alcohol is never an excuse for Sexual Misconduct and does not diminish one’s responsibility to obtain Affirmative Consent.

See Appendix C for the Student Alcohol and Drug Use Amnesty Policy.

III.C.6. Stalking

Stalking refers to engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for his/her own safety or the safety of others, or to suffer substantial emotional distress (i.e., significant mental suffering or anguish that may, but does not necessarily, require medical or other professional treatment or counseling). Such a course of conduct means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts in which the stalker directly, indirectly, or through third parties, by any action,
method, device, or means, follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about a person, or interferes with a person’s property. Stalking may include contact through a third party.

Examples of conduct that may constitute prohibited Stalking include, but are not limited to: unwelcome/unwanted communications of any type, including face-to-face, telephone calls, voice messages, e-mail, text messages, postings, written letters or notes and unwanted gifts; use of threatening words or conduct; pursuing or following; observing and/or surveillance; trespassing or vandalism; entering or remaining on or near a person’s property, residence, classroom, place of employment or any other location where the person is present; interfering with or damaging a person’s property, including pets; and engaging in other unwelcome contact.

Additionally, New York State law specifically defines Stalking as when a person intentionally, and for no legitimate purpose, engages in a course of conduct directed at a specific person, and knows or reasonably should know that such conduct (1) is likely to cause reasonable fear of material harm to the physical health, safety or property of such person, a member of such person’s immediate family or a third party with whom such person is acquainted; or (2) causes material harm to the mental or emotional health of such person, where such conduct consists of following, telephoning or initiating communication or contact with such person, a member of such person’s immediate family or a third party with whom such person is acquainted, and the actor was previously clearly informed to cease that conduct; or (3) is likely to cause such person to reasonably fear that his or her employment, business or career is threatened, where such conduct consists of appearing, telephoning or initiating communication or contact at such person’s place of employment or business, and the actor was previously clearly informed to cease that conduct.

III.C.7. Dating Violence

Dating Violence, for purposes of this policy, is violence committed by a person who is or has been in a romantic or intimate relationship with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party’s statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship. Dating Violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse. Dating Violence does not include acts covered under the definition of Domestic Violence.

Regarding the appropriateness of romantic or sexual relationships between Einstein employees and students, see Einstein’s Workplace Romance & Fraternization Policy.

III.C.8. Domestic Violence

Domestic Violence includes felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabiting with or has cohabited with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner under applicable law, by a family or household member as defined by New York State law, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person’s acts under applicable law.

Examples of conduct that may constitute, whether alone or in combination, Domestic Violence include, but are not limited to: a pattern of name-calling, insults, put-downs; keeping or limiting a person from
contacting family or friends; withholding money, food or other necessities; stopping a person from getting or keeping a job, getting to class, or staying in school; actual or threatened physical harm; Sexual Abuse/Assault (“sexual violence”); Stalking; possessiveness or extreme jealousy; Intimidation; physical assault or threats thereof; and emotional isolation/manipulation.

III.D. Bystander Intervention & Employees’ Duty to Report

Einstein expects all members of the Einstein community to take reasonable and prudent actions to prevent or stop an act of discrimination, harassment, or Sexual Misconduct, and provide assistance if an act has occurred. As discussed below, taking action or providing assistance may include direct intervention, calling law enforcement, or seeking assistance from a person in authority. Employees who are not confidential resources or serving in a privileged professional capacity also have a duty to report.

Bystander Intervention

If someone suspects a friend, acquaintance, or stranger may be in a high-risk situation for becoming a victim, is being victimized, or has been victimized, it is important to decide as a bystander whether there is a safe and reasonable way to intervene effectively.

1) Do’s:

Remind friends that Affirmative Consent is required, and it is the difference between sex and Sexual Assault and that someone can be too intoxicated to Consent.

Take the initiative to help friends who aren’t thinking clearly from becoming targets of violence (or) take steps to stop a friend who chooses to use violence.

When possible, prevent an intoxicated friend/person from going to a private location with an acquaintance or friend.

Contact the Security Department, the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources or another person of authority who can assist.

2) Don’ts:

Let friends engage in activities, such as excessive alcohol/drug consumption, that impedes judgment and that therefore could lead to actions, including sexual advances that are unwelcome and/or endanger the rights, safety, and well-being of others.

Let friends walk/run alone in secluded areas.

Leave a friend or acquaintance alone at a party.

Leave residence hall doors unlocked.

Let friends drink to the point of impairment.

Place yourself in a vulnerable situation where you are unable to voice Consent.
III.D.1. Employees’ Duty to Report

Any employee serving in a managerial or supervisory capacity (other than an employee serving in a privileged professional capacity or as a confidential resource) with any knowledge, whether from firsthand observation, having been confided in or having heard about it in some other fashion, of a known or suspected instance of Prohibited Conduct must immediately report the incident to the Vice President for Human Resources/Title IX Coordinator, Senior Counsel, or Director of Security, even if the alleged victim of such discrimination or harassment is not interested in filing a formal Complaint. All other employees are encouraged to make such reports.

Managers and supervisors who knowingly allow Prohibited Conduct to continue without reporting it will be disciplined.

Additionally, all employees have a duty to report immediately to the NYS Maltreatment Hotline (800-342-3720) if they have reasonable cause to suspect abuse or maltreatment of minors (individuals under the age of 18).

However, no employee is authorized to investigate or resolve a suspected violation of this policy without the involvement of the Vice President for Human Resources/Title IX Coordinator.

If you are not sure what your duty or role is in a given situation, please contact the Vice President for Human Resources/Title IX Coordinator.

Title IX Coordinator

Any questions, concerns, or Complaints about this policy, Prohibited Conduct, and/or Title IX should be directed to the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources:

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Bronx, New York 10461  
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Title IX prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs and activities. Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault are forms of sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX. Einstein has designated an individual to coordinate its efforts to comply with and carry out its responsibilities under Title IX. The Title IX Coordinator is responsible for ensuring Title IX compliance at Einstein, as well as compliance with this policy. The Title IX Coordinator for Einstein is currently Yvonne Ramirez. The Title IX Coordinator is also responsible for overseeing all Title IX Complaints and other Complaints under this policy, identifying and addressing any patterns of systemic problems that are found based on review of such Complaints or otherwise, and providing education and training about this policy to Einstein community. Ms. Yvonne Ramirez’s contact information is above.

In the event of Ms. Ramirez’s absence (or in the event of a conflict of interest), her duties will be carried out by:
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In addition to the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources or Dean of Students, inquiries regarding Title IX may be directed to the United States Department of Education’s Office of Civil Rights (“OCR”). This agency may be contacted as follows:

United States Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights
Region 2 – New York
Jacob Javits Federal Building 26 Federal Plaza - Suite 3312
New York, NY 10278
Voice Phone: (800) 368-1019
Fax: (212) 264-3039
TDD: (800) 537-7697

III.D.2. Complaint Reporting Procedures and Guidelines

The procedures for investigating and resolving Complaints depend on who is involved.

If a student is a Complainant, or Respondent, the procedures set forth herein (in Section VIII) will apply.

If only employees, faculty, and/or volunteers are involved, the procedures set forth in the Non-Discrimination and Gender-Based Misconduct Policy and Procedures for Employees will apply.

Where a Respondent is both a student and an employee, faculty, or volunteer, the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will determine which of these procedures applies based on the circumstances (such as whether the student or employee role predominates, particularly in reference to the relevant incident).

For more information on which procedures apply, see Section II. If you have any questions, such as which set of procedures apply, please contact the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources or Senior Counsel.

Complaints may be reported by anyone who believes they have been subjected to Prohibited Conduct (Complainant) or anyone who has knowledge of a violation of this policy.

There is no time limit on when a Complaint pursuant to this policy can be made to Einstein, however, evidence may be lost and Einstein’s ability to investigate and respond may be affected by any time delay in reporting.

Einstein strongly encourages alleged victims to promptly file a Complaint in order to ensure campus safety and to preserve important evidence that may be essential for a thorough and fair resolution, including future legal proceedings. Evidence preservation is particularly important because as time goes by, an investigation becomes more difficult. Memories may become unreliable, and information and witnesses may become unavailable.
Einstein employees may not discourage an individual from reporting Prohibited Conduct covered by this policy. Furthermore, any attempt to retaliate against or penalize an alleged victim or any other person who reports or participates in the resolution of an incident is strictly prohibited, and any party found to have engaged in retaliation will be subjected to discipline (see Section X).

How to Report a Complaint to Einstein Officials

Anyone who wishes to report a Complaint regarding a violation of this policy may do so by contacting any of the following:

**Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources**  
Yvonne Ramirez  
1300 Morris Park Ave., Belfer 1209  
Bronx, NY 10461  
(718) 430-2541  
yvonne.ramirez@Einstein.yu.edu

**Senior Counsel**  
Dana Lee  
1300 Morris Park Avenue  
Belfer 310  
Bronx, New York 10461  
(718) 430-2546  
dana.lee@Einstein.yu.edu

**Dean of Students**  
Dr. Allison Ludwig  
1300 Morris Park Avenue, Belfer 210  
Bronx, New York 10461  
(718) 430-3060 – allison.ludwig@Einstein.yu.edu

Dr. Victoria Freedman  
1300 Morris Park Avenue, Belfer 214B  
Bronx, New York 10461  
(718) 430-2872 - victoria.freedman@Einstein.yu.edu

Complaints may instead be reported anonymously. Einstein will investigate anonymous reports to the extent possible, and also keep records of and report certain anonymous Complaints pursuant to the requirements of the federal Clery Act. However, all anonymous reporters should be aware that reporting anonymously may affect Einstein’s ability to investigate and respond effectively. To the extent there is a concern regarding retaliation for making a Complaint, any such retaliation is prohibited and Einstein will take steps to prevent such retaliation as well as strong responsive actions should it occur (see Section X). Anonymous reports may be made as follows:

**Confidential Compliance Hotline**

1-800-662-8595

See Appendix F for information regarding confidential support services. See Appendix C for the Student Alcohol and Drug Use Amnesty Policy.
In addition to the options listed above, Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence, and Dating Violence may also or instead be reported to other Einstein personnel identified by Einstein as “campus security authorities” in the Annual Security Reports it publishes in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (the “Clery Act”), including:

**Security Department**
Neil Kaplan, Chief of Security
1300 Morris Park Avenue, Forchheimer G9
Bronx, New York 10461
(718) 430-2180
neil.kaplan@Einstein.yu.edu

**Einstein Office of Student Affairs**
(718) 430-3060

**Einstein Housing Office**
(718) 430-3552

Students who allege they are victims of Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence, or Dating Violence (defined in Section IV) have the right (i) to make a report to the Security Department, local law enforcement and/or State Police or choose not to report; (ii) to report the incident to College of Medicine; (iii) to request College of Medicine’s assistance in notifying law enforcement authorities; (iv) to be protected by College of Medicine from retaliation for reporting an incident; and (v) to receive assistance and resources from College of Medicine. Complaints under this policy and Complaints with law enforcement may be filed simultaneously.

Einstein will cooperate with police investigations, but will not delay its investigation of a Complaint in the absence of extenuating circumstances and will conduct its investigation simultaneously with any police/legal system investigation. Einstein and police/legal system work independently from one another. Because the standards for finding a violation of criminal law are different from the standards in this policy, criminal investigations or reports are not solely determinative of whether or not misconduct under this policy has occurred.2

**When any of these afore-mentioned individuals or any other Einstein employee (other than someone serving in a privileged professional capacity or as a confidential resource) is first notified of a Complaint, that person must promptly inform the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources of the Complaint.** If the Complaint involves an allegation of Prohibited Conduct, the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will promptly inform Senior Counsel of such Complaint.

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2 For an explanation of the differences between Einstein’s and law enforcement’s Complaint and investigation procedures, see Appendix E.
No Einstein employee is authorized to investigate or resolve a suspected violation of this policy without the involvement of the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources.

Other Resources and Reporting Options

Regardless of whether a victim of sexual violence wants to make a Complaint to either Einstein or the local police, he/she should promptly seek medical attention both to address his/her own health and to preserve potential evidence should he/she later decide to file charges or obtain a protective order.

For information on resources including emergency assistance, hospitals, law enforcement, security, medical care, mental health treatment, counseling, and other support services, see Appendix F. If desired, Einstein can assist with accessing these resources.

III.D.3. Confidentiality in Reporting

Einstein will attempt to comply with all requests from a Complainant that his/her name or identity not be revealed to the Respondent and witnesses. However, Einstein is not able to guarantee confidentiality because doing so may limit Einstein’s ability to investigate the allegations and respond effectively. To the extent there is a concern regarding retaliation for making a Complaint, any such retaliation is prohibited and Einstein will take steps to prevent such retaliation as well as strong responsive actions should it occur (see Section X).

However, even Einstein offices and employees who cannot guarantee confidentiality will maintain your privacy to the greatest extent possible. The information you provide to a non-confidential resource will be relayed only as necessary for the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources to investigate and/or seek a resolution.

Moreover, Einstein will complete recordkeeping, reporting and disclosures required by federal law without including any personally identifying information about the alleged victim.

Requests for confidentiality should be made to the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, and he/she will evaluate any such requests in consultation with Senior Counsel. If possible, the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will make an effort to notify the Complainant before disclosing the Complainant’s identity to the Respondent. In all instances, Einstein will endeavor to maintain the Complainant’s and Respondent’s privacy and reveal the parties’ identities only to those individuals who need to know it in order for an investigation to commence or continue (as applicable) and the matter to be resolved.

**Clery Act:** Einstein has an obligation to report certain crimes in its annual security report pursuant to the Clery Act. However, it will do so in an anonymized manner that identifies neither the specifics of the crime nor the identity of the alleged victim or the reporting individual. The Clery Act also requires Einstein to issue timely warnings of certain crimes that represent a serious or continuing threat to students and employees, except in those circumstances where issuing such a warning may compromise current law enforcement efforts or when the warning itself could potentially identify the reporting individual.

**FERPA:** The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act allows institutions to share information with Parents when: (i) there is a health or safety emergency, or (ii) when the student is a dependent on either
Parent’s prior year federal income tax return. However, Einstein will generally not share information about a report of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Stalking, or Sexual Assault with Parents without the permission of the reporting individual.

When a Complaint is Reported

Following a report of an incident to the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, the Complainant will be immediately advised in writing of Einstein’s policies and procedures, as described herein. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will discuss the Complainant’s rights and options, as well as any confidentiality concerns.

Complaints will be overseen by the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, in consultation with the Senior Counsel as appropriate. Every effort will be made, consistent with the need to discharge Einstein’s responsibilities and protect the safety of Einstein community, to respect the wishes of the alleged victim regarding further investigation. A Complaint will not be pursued without the alleged victim’s Consent, unless Einstein is obligated to do so or, in its judgment, the allegations are serious enough to warrant further action. Einstein at all times reserves the right to proceed as necessary to protect the safety of the campus community and workplace and to maintain compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

III.E. Interim Protective Measures and Accommodations

Einstein may take reasonable and prudent interim measures to protect and ensure safety, prevent retaliation, and/or avoid an ongoing hostile environment. Interim measures may be available to the Complainant, the reporter (if different than the Complainant), the Respondent (i.e., the person against whom a report has been filed), and all third-party witnesses pending resolution of the Complaint, regardless of whether the Complainant chooses to report the conduct to campus security or local law enforcement. Interim measures may include restrictions on contact (Einstein-issued “no contact” orders), bans from areas of campus, and changes to academic, living/housing, transportation, employment, or working situations (including transferring to a different class, moving to a different room or residence hall, and changing work schedules). Individuals may discuss their options for any such accommodations, as applicable, with the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, who may assist with identifying and obtaining reasonably available accommodations. Upon request by the Complainant or Respondent, an individual’s request for accommodation will be afforded a prompt review, reasonable

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3 No contact orders prohibit continued intentional contact with the Complainant. If the accused/Respondent and Complainant/reporting individual observe each other in a public place, it shall be the responsibility of the accused/Respondent to leave the area immediately and without directly contacting the reporting individual. Einstein may establish an appropriate schedule for the accused/Respondent to access applicable institution buildings and property at a time when such buildings and property are not being accessed by the Complainant/reporting individual. Intentional and/or continued violations of a Einstein-issued “no contact” order is a violation of this policy and may result in additional misconduct charges and additional disciplinary sanctions including suspension and expulsion for students, or up to and including termination of employment for employees.
under the circumstances, of the need for and terms of any such interim measure and accommodation that
directly affects him or her, including potential modification, and shall be allowed to submit evidence in
support of his or her request.

Einstein may also assist an individual with obtaining an Order of Protection or other protective measures
via reports to law enforcement or otherwise. If an Order of Protection or the equivalent is received by
Einstein, individuals have a right to receive a copy of it, and have an opportunity to meet or speak with an
Einstein representative, or other appropriate individual, who can explain the order and answer questions
about it, including information about the accused’s responsibility to stay away from protected persons.
An explanation of the consequences for violating such an order will also be explained, and may include,
but not be limited to, arrest, as well as suspension or expulsion for students, and termination for
employees. If an Order of Protection or the equivalent is violated, campus security may provide
assistance in making an appropriate arrest.

Interim measures may be modified as necessary throughout while the Complaint is pending.

Einstein also will consider the safety of Einstein community when making decisions regarding
appropriate interim measures. Einstein will endeavor to maintain as confidential any accommodations or
protective measures to the extent that maintaining them would not impair the ability of College of
Medicine to provide such measures.

III.F. Investigation & Resolution

Einstein will respond to all reported Complaints in a prompt, thorough, fair, and impartial manner.
Complaints of discrimination, harassment or Sexual Misconduct, including sexual violence Complaints,
will be overseen by the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources.

Upon receipt of a Complaint or upon receiving information which Einstein determines on its own
warrants further investigation (even if no Complaint is filed or even if a Complaint is filed and later
withdrawn), a fair, prompt, and impartial investigation will commence in accordance with the procedures
set forth below, assuming one or more of the parties are students. (As discussed above in Section II, if
only employees are involved, the procedures set forth in the Non-Discrimination and Gender-Based
Misconduct Policy and Procedures for Employees will apply).

The investigation will be conducted by officials who are impartial, with no conflict of interest or bias for
or against either the Complainant or Respondent. If the Complaint involves allegations regarding Sexual
Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence, or Dating Violence, the investigation will be conducted by
officials who receive annual training on such issues, as well as on how to conduct an investigation and
hearing process that protects the safety of victims and promotes accountability, and on the effects of
trauma, impartiality, the rights of the Respondent, and other related issues.

Generally, the investigation will be conducted by the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human
Resources, the Security Department or another appropriate entity as determined by Einstein (it being
understood that Einstein reserves the right to use an outside individual or organization to conduct or assist
with the investigation). Depending on the nature of the allegations, the investigation may include
interviews with the Complainant and Respondent, interviews of witnesses, collection of documentation
(including email and other communications relevant to the Complaint), a review of documents or any
other steps deemed important by the investigator in order to thoroughly and fairly conduct the investigation. The investigator will consult with the Senior Counsel, as appropriate, throughout this process.

In any investigation of a Complaint involving a student as either a Complainant or Respondent, there are two sets of procedures that might apply, depending on the type of Prohibited Conduct being reported.

For Complaints regarding Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence (as defined in Section IV and Appendix D), the Formal Procedures will apply, as set forth in Section VIII(B) below.

For Complaints regarding Sexual Harassment or discrimination, either the Informal or Formal Procedures could apply, as set forth in Sections VIII(A) and (B), respectively. The Informal Procedures may apply only if, after all parties receive a full disclosure of the allegations and their options for formal resolution, all parties voluntarily agree to seek informal resolution. Otherwise, either party may decide to implement the Formal Procedures.

As discussed above in Section II, if only employees and/or third-parties are involved, the procedures set forth in the Non-Discrimination and Gender-Based Misconduct Policy and Procedures for Employees will apply. If you have any questions, such as to which set of procedures apply, please contact the Vice President for Human Resources/Title IX Coordinator or Senior Counsel.

Information gathered during the investigation and resolution process will be handled by Einstein with due diligence and care. Discreet inquiry, corrective counseling, and trust will be stressed by Einstein in dealing with all Complaints. Records and information concerning Complaints will be kept confidential to the greatest extent possible, and Einstein will comply with all applicable laws in maintaining the confidentiality of the investigation. However, subject to applicable laws, Einstein cannot guarantee complete confidentiality where it would conflict with Einstein’s obligations to ensure a safe, non-discriminatory and harassment-free environment and/or to comply with crime reporting requirements. For example, under conditions of potential imminent harm to the community, Einstein may be required by federal law to inform the community of the occurrence of an incident of sexual violence (but would not identify the victim). In addition, consistent with law, information regarding violations of this policy may be shared among Einstein personnel as appropriate and necessary.

Even Einstein offices and employees who cannot guarantee confidentiality will maintain your privacy to the greatest extent possible. The information you provide to a non-confidential resource will be relayed only as necessary for the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources to investigate and/or seek a resolution.

A Complainant may decide after filing a Complaint that he/she does not want to have Einstein pursue an investigation. Complainants and others should understand that compliance with such a request may limit Einstein’s ability to take action in response to the Complaint. In such a situation, Einstein will evaluate the request in the context of Einstein’s responsibility to provide a safe, non-discriminatory, and harassment-free environment. In evaluating such a request, Einstein will consider several factors, including the seriousness of the alleged misconduct, the Complainant’s age, whether a weapon or force
was involved, the parties involved, whether there have been other Complaints of misconduct against the Respondent, and the applicability of laws mandating an investigation or other action.

Einstein expects all members of Einstein community to cooperate with investigations. However, in no event will a Complainant or Respondent be compelled to participate in the investigation. Further, Einstein’s ability to compel a third party to participate in the investigation process may be limited.

III.F.1. Informal Procedures & Resolution

The informal resolution approach is available to resolve incidents that may not be so serious that Einstein must intervene in a formal way and where the Complainant (alleged victim or other person reporting the discrimination/harassment) does not wish to pursue a formal Complaint but wants to end the discrimination/harassment. The manner in which an incident is handled will depend largely upon its severity or nature. Members of Einstein community may seek advice from the Title IX Coordinator on alternative methods of resolving disputes or perceived acts of discrimination/harassment. In order to commence the informal resolution process, the parties must receive a full disclosure of the allegations and their options for formal resolution, and then, both parties must agree to participate. Either party may instead choose to engage in Formal Resolution procedures.

Informal means of addressing the issues raised in a Complaint may include, but are not limited to:

An informal direct discussion between the Complainant and the Respondent in the presence of the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources;

Requesting additional education for the area or department where the Complaint originated; or

Commencing mediation of the Complaint. The Complainant and the Respondent must agree to mediation if mediation is to go forward. Mediation is optional. The mediator will be designated by the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources within 10 days after the parties’ agreement to participate in mediation. The mediator will contact the parties to set the date, time, and location of the mediation session(s). Only the mediator and the parties will be participants in the mediation session(s), except as provided below. During the mediation process, the mediator normally will: (i) ask the parties to give their versions of the incident, including both factual information and their feelings; (ii) identify key issues; (iii) seek the agreement of both parties on the issues; (iv) facilitate discussion; and (v) work with both parties to develop a written document that will include a statement of agreement. If either party is dissatisfied with the mediation process at any time prior to the signing of a mediation agreement, that party may request that the mediation process cease.

The Complainant may at any time replace his/her informal Complaint with a formal Complaint and thereby proceed with the formal resolution process (see Section VIII(B)) by notifying the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources of his or her desire to do so. Similarly, the Respondent may at any time decline to participate in the informal process and may request that a formal complaint be filed. No negative inference may be drawn from such a request.

Furthermore, Einstein reserves the right to conduct its own formal investigation into any Complaint, whether formal or informal, where it determines the facts call for such an investigation.
Informal Resolution is not an option in cases involving allegations of Sexual Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence or Dating Violence.

III.F.2. Formal Investigation & Resolution

Any individual who wishes to pursue the formal resolution process should file, in writing, a Complaint with the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, stating the nature of the alleged misconduct, the individual(s) accused and the relief requested. If the individual making the Complaint withdraws it, no further action will be taken unless Einstein determines it is obligated to do so or deems the allegations serious enough to warrant further action. Einstein, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to depart from the prescribed steps in order to effectively handle any and all Complaints in accordance with applicable laws. For more information about the Formal Procedures & Resolution, please refer to Appendix A.

Both the Complainant and Respondent shall have the right to appeal the decision of the hearing officer as more fully described in Appendix A.

III.F.3. Remedies and Sanctions

If Einstein determines that an individual engaged in an act of Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence, or Dating Violence, sanctions which may be imposed by Einstein include suspension or expulsion for students and up to and including termination of employment for employees.

In addition to any disciplinary action, Einstein may take action to eliminate a hostile environment created by discrimination, harassment or Sexual Misconduct, to prevent the recurrence of the discrimination, harassment or Sexual Misconduct, and to address the effects of the discrimination, harassment or Sexual Misconduct on the parties involved, the witnesses and Einstein community, as appropriate. Such efforts may include additional training and awareness programs for Einstein community.

More information about possible sanctions can be found in Appendix A.

III.F.4. Time Limits

Einstein will exercise due diligence in complying with the stated time limits set forth in this policy. However, stated time limits may be extended for good cause depending on the nature of the allegations, the time of year, and any other unforeseen or extenuating circumstance. Both parties will be notified in writing of any extensions and the reason for the delay. Any party may request an extension of any deadline by submitting a written request to the Title IX Coordinator detailing the reason for such request and the amount of additional time requested. The Title IX Coordinator has the discretion to grant or deny any such request.

III.F.5. Documentation of Investigations

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will maintain records of all Complaints (both formal and informal), investigations, findings (including the basis for those findings) and appeals. These records will be kept on file in accordance with Einstein’s records and retention policy.
Students have the right to access a full and fair record of any disciplinary hearing involving allegations of Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence, or Dating Violence. Such records shall be preserved and maintained for at least five years from the hearing and may include a transcript, recording or other appropriate record.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources also will inform the applicable Registrar if any transcript notations are required (see Appendix A, Section II).

III.F.6. Retaliation

This policy prohibits retaliation against any individual who filed and/or participated in the investigation of a Complaint, even if the Complaint is unsubstantiated. Retaliation includes threats, Intimidation, reprisals, harassment, and/or any other adverse action threatened (expressed or implied) or taken against anyone who reports a violation or suspected violation of this policy or who participates in an investigation of a Complaint. Retaliation may take place in person, over the telephone or through electronic or social media means. Regardless of how it manifests itself, retaliation is prohibited. Anyone who either observes or becomes aware of such retaliatory behavior is strongly encouraged to report it to the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, and all Einstein employees are under a business duty to do so. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will review the facts and recommend the appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including suspension and expulsion for students and disciplinary sanctions for employees. Violations of this prohibition will be addressed through the procedures outlined in this policy, and/or other Einstein disciplinary procedures, as Einstein deems appropriate.

III.G. Knowing False Claims or Information

Einstein considers any allegation of discrimination, harassment, or sexual misconduct a serious matter and encourages individuals to report all incidents to Einstein. All good faith reports will be treated seriously. Any individual who knowingly files a false claim, or who knowingly provides false information during an investigation or proceeding may be subject to appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including suspension and expulsion for students and termination of employment for employees.

III.H. Education/Training

As part of Einstein’s commitment to providing a safe, non-discriminatory and harassment-free environment, this policy shall be disseminated widely to Einstein community through publications, websites, student orientations, new employee orientations, current employee training and other appropriate channels of communication. Einstein also provides training programs for Einstein employees and students to promote awareness and a safe and respectful Einstein environment.

III.I. Re-Evaluation

Einstein reserves the right to modify and/or amend any or all of the terms and/or procedures outlined herein at any time, in its sole discretion. In the event Einstein determines that circumstances warrant modification or amendment of this policy, timely notice of the same will be communicated to all affected parties. This policy is made available to the entire faculty, staff, and student body of Einstein, as well as
all interested others, and can be accessed via the Human Resources webpage or can be obtained from the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, Senior Counsel, or Einstein Office of Student Affairs.

IV. Definitions
Definitions are contained within the body of the document.

V. Effective Date
Effective as of: 18 June 2019

VI. Policy Management and Responsibilities
Einstein’s Human Resources department is the Responsible Office under this Policy. Einstein’s Associate Dean for Administration and Finance is the Responsible Executive, and Einstein’s Vice President for Human Resources and Diversity is the Responsible Officer for the management of this Policy.

VII. Approved (or Revised)

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Date]

Responsible Executive

Date
Appendix A: Formal Procedures & Resolution of Complaints Involving Students

For Complaints Involving Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence and Dating Violence

Following a determination to pursue a formal resolution of a Complaint involving students received by the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources involving discriminatory acts involving violence, Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence and Dating Violence:

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or his/her designee) will provide all parties involved with a copy of these procedures.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or his/her designee) will request the Complainant to provide to the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, within 5 days after the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources’ request and preferably in writing, a description of all facts that bear on the allegations; specifically, the details surrounding the accusation (including date, time, location and factual allegations), names of possible witnesses, and the nature and description of possible evidence. The Complainant is expected to share with the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, or other appropriate investigative entity as designated by Einstein, any relevant supplemental information that subsequently becomes available.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or his/her designee) will promptly inform the Respondent in writing (and send a copy to the Complainant) of the allegations (including the date, time, location, nature of the alleged misconduct, factual allegations and reference to specific code violations and sanctions that may be imposed) and ask the Respondent to respond to them within 5 days after such notice. Such response should include all facts that bear on the allegations (including date, time, location and factual allegations), a reference to the specific code of conduct alleged to have been violated and possible sanctions, the names of possible witnesses and the nature and description of possible evidence. The Respondent is expected to share with the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, or other appropriate investigative entity as designated by Einstein, any relevant supplemental information that subsequently becomes available. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will inform the Complainant of any defenses that the Respondent may provide. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or his/her designee) may ask to meet with the parties separately to discuss the allegations.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources may also work with Senior Counsel, as appropriate, in responding to the receipt of a Complaint, and when the Complaint involves an allegation of sexual violence, Stalking, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence or other Sexual Misconduct, the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will promptly notify Senior Counsel of the existence of such Complaint.

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4 As defined by Section IV and Appendix D of this policy.
The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or other designated investigator) will fully, fairly and impartially investigate the Complaint, and each party equally will have the opportunity to present witnesses and other evidence to the investigator. Each party and appropriate officials will also be afforded equal and timely access to information that will be used to adjudicate the complaint, as well as information that may exonerate or show responsibility in the case—subject to reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions as well as heightened restrictions on sensitive information that is not directly relevant.

Parties have the right to have certain information excluded from admittance in the determination of responsibility:

- their own prior sexual history with persons other than the other party in the proceeding.
- their own mental health diagnosis and/or treatment.

However, past findings of Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence, and/or Dating Violence may be admissible in the stage that determines sanctions.

Both parties will be advised by the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or his/her designee) that reasonable efforts will be made by Einstein to protect the privacy of the parties, and to maintain confidentiality to the extent possible and as is consistent with investigative needs and applicable laws (see Section VII(C) and VIII).

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will explore possible interim protective measures and accommodations with both parties.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or other designated investigator) will endeavor, as promptly as feasible, to interview all relevant parties and review all evidence, including witnesses and evidence identified by the parties.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or his/her designee) will provide the Complainant and the Respondent with periodic status updates.

Each party will be provided written notice in advance of any interview or hearing, with sufficient time to prepare for meaningful participation. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or other designated investigator) will seek to conclude the investigation as promptly as practicable, and in any event generally within 30 days after receipt of the Respondent’s statement regarding the allegations, and generally within 40 days after receipt of the formal Complaint. The facts and circumstances of each case may make it necessary to extend the resolution timeline (see Section VIII(B)(ii)).

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or other designated investigator) will compile a written neutral investigation report, summarizing the relevant evidence and making findings of fact and conclusions, and will simultaneously inform the parties of the conclusion of the investigation. Both parties will have an opportunity to review the investigation report in person, in the presence of an Einstein official at a location selected by Einstein. The Complainant and Respondent may respond to the report, either verbally or in writing.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will then decide (in his/her discretion as he/she feels appropriate, and in consultation with Senior Counsel) if (i) the individual who handled the
investigation and compiled the report (which may be the Title IX Coordinator or other designated investigator) should make the finding as to whether this policy has been violated and determine appropriate sanctions, or (ii) a hearing officer should convene a hearing and make the finding as to whether this policy has been violated and determine appropriate sanctions. (It is expected that the hearing process referred to in option (ii) will only be used in very limited circumstances as the Title IX Coordinator, in consultation with Senior Counsel, will determine as appropriate in his/her discretion.) In all cases, a finding of a violation of this policy will be based on a preponderance of evidence (i.e., that it is more likely than not that the discrimination or harassment occurred).

If the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or other designated investigator) is selected to make the finding and determine sanctions as provided above, then he/she should do so promptly (and generally within 5 days) after the conclusion of the investigation. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will simultaneously notify the parties as soon as practicable of the finding. At this point, the parties may submit an impact statement for the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources’ (or other designated investigator’s) consideration during the sanction stage. Impact statements should be submitted within 3 days of notice of the finding. In deciding an appropriate disciplinary action, the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or other designated investigator) may consider the Respondent’s past violations of Einstein policy, as well as the nature and severity of the violation(s), the impact statements of the parties, and any mitigating circumstances. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or other designated investigator) will decide the appropriate disciplinary actions generally within 10 days of the finding. To the extent permitted by applicable law, guidance or regulations, the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will simultaneously notify the parties as soon as practicable of the sanctions to be imposed and the right to appeal (as provided below).

If a hearing officer is selected to make the finding and determine sanctions as provided above, then a hearing officer will be selected by the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (in consultation with the Senior Counsel) depending on the nature of the case and the parties involved. The hearing officer may be the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, another Einstein employee, or an outside individual, but may not be the person who handled the investigation. The process will then be as follows:

The hearing officer will schedule a hearing as soon as possible after the conclusion of the investigation (and generally within 5 days), and the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will simultaneously notify the parties as soon as practicable of the date, time and place of the hearing.

Prior to the hearing, the hearing officer will review the investigation report, as well as any responses to the investigation report submitted by the Complainant or Respondent.

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5 For example, in cases involving nonviolent Sexual Harassment or discrimination, the Complainant may only be notified of sanctions that directly relate to that Complainant.
At the hearing, the hearing officer may question the parties in order to assist him/her in deciding whether or not the charges are supported by a preponderance of the evidence. The hearing officer may ask that witnesses attend the hearing, so that he/she may ask witnesses questions in person. The parties are encouraged to attend the hearing, so that they are given a full opportunity to explain their positions. If a party is uncomfortable appearing in the same location with the other party, arrangements can be made so that one or both parties may participate in the hearing live by conference call or video conference.

With respect to allegations regarding Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence or Dating Violence, the parties may have a personal advisor/support person of their choice and at their expense (who may be an attorney) present with them during any Einstein meeting/proceeding. The party shall promptly notify the Title IX Coordinator if he/she intends to use an advisor/support person, and identify such advisor/support person. Such advisor/support person is limited to an advisory role, and may only privately consult and advise his/her advisee. The advisor/support person may not speak for the advisee at the meeting/proceeding, may not question witnesses, may not make any statements during the meeting/proceeding or otherwise actively participate in the meeting/proceeding. The advisor/support person may be asked to leave the meeting/proceeding if he/she deviates from his/her role. The advisor/support person will be subject to the same confidentiality expectations applicable to others in attendance at the meeting/proceeding.

Generally within 5 days of the hearing, the hearing officer will issue a written decision on whether a violation has occurred. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will simultaneously notify the parties as soon as practicable of the decision, including rationale for the result. At this point, the parties may submit an impact statement for the hearing officer’s consideration during the sanction stage. Impact statements should be submitted within 3 days of notice of the decision. In deciding an appropriate disciplinary action, the hearing officer may consider the Respondent’s past violations of Einstein policy, as well as the nature and severity of the violation(s), the impact statements of the parties, and any mitigating circumstances. The hearing officer will decide the appropriate disciplinary actions generally within 10 days of the hearing.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will simultaneously notify the parties as soon as practicable of the sanctions to be imposed, including rationale for such sanctions, and the right to appeal (as provided below). Such notice may also include any other remedial or preventative action being taken or provided by the school.

Einstein expects all cases involving a finding of sexual violence, Stalking, Domestic Violence and Dating Violence to involve consideration of suspension or expulsion. Other sanctions that may be imposed include a warning, disciplinary probation, restriction from employment by Einstein, removal from Einstein housing, removal from courses or activities, loss of privileges, no contact, exclusion from areas of the campus and facilities, removal or non-renewal of scholarships, a notation on the Respondent’s official Einstein transcript, community service, restitution, and a fine. In addition, the Respondent may also be required to undergo an assessment and treatment by a therapist or counselor, attend an intervention treatment program and/or issue a letter of apology.

**Appeal Process**

In all cases, there are three possible grounds for appeal:
• An alleged material violation of the established procedures in this policy;
• Evidence is now available that could not have been obtained at the time of the
determination/initial hearing; or
• The sanction is excessive, inconsistent or insufficient with the nature of the offense.

Either party may appeal the decision of the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or
other designated investigator) or hearing officer, as applicable, (based on the grounds described above) to
an **Appeal Panel** (of two or more persons, or as otherwise may be required by applicable law, rule or
regulation) selected by the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (in consultation
with Senior Counsel) depending on the nature of the case and the parties involved. The Title IX
Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or other designated investigator) or hearing officer, as
applicable, may not serve on the Appeal Panel. A request for an appeal must consist of a plain, concise,
and complete written statement outlining the grounds for the appeal. The appeal request must be
submitted to the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources within 5 days of the date of
the final determination letter.

Upon receipt of the appeal, the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will provide the
other party with notice of the appeal and the opportunity to respond in writing. The other party’s
response to the appeal must be submitted within 5 days from receipt of notice of the appeal. In the event
that both parties initially appeal the decision, each party will be provided notice and a copy of the other
party’s appeal.

The appeal will be conducted in a fair and impartial manner. The appeal is not a re-hearing of the
underlying matter. The Appeal Panel will review the written investigation report, decisions and all
supporting documents, and also may consult with both parties.

The Appeal Panel (by majority vote of panelists, or by unanimous decision if less than 3 panelists) can
affirm the original determination of responsibility, alter the determination of responsibility either in whole
or in part, and/or alter the sanctions, depending on the circumstances. The matter can also be referred
back for further investigation or consideration if appropriate.

The Appeal Panel will issue its determination generally within 5 days from the date of the submission of
all appeal documents by both parties. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will
simultaneously notify the parties as soon as practicable of the decision.

**Appeal decisions are final.**

If there is no appeal, the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources also will
simultaneously notify the parties that the initial decision is final because the time for an appeal has
expired.

Einstein will endeavor to fully resolve all formal Complaints generally within 60 days after receipt of the
formal Complaint. The 60-day time period may be extended depending on the nature of the allegations,
the time of year, and any other unforeseen or extenuating circumstance.
Transcript Notations. Students suspended or expelled for committing an act of Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, or a “violent crime,” as defined by the Clery Act,⁶ will have a notation placed on their transcript as follows: “suspended after a finding of responsibility for a code of conduct violation” or “expelled after a finding of responsibility for a code of conduct violation.” Einstein will consider requests to remove transcript notations. Requests for removal of a transcript notation should be sent to the Title IX Coordinator. A transcript notation will not be removed prior to one year after conclusion of the suspension. If a finding of responsibility is vacated for any reason, a corresponding transcript notation will be removed. Expulsion notations will not be removed in any case. If an accused student withdraws from Einstein while charges are pending and declines to complete the disciplinary process, the following notation will be placed on his/her transcript: “withdrew with conduct charges pending.”

Parties have the right to choose whether to disclose or discuss the outcome of this process. However, parties have the right to have all information obtained during the course of this process to be protected from public release until the appeals panel makes a final determination unless otherwise required by law.

⁶ “Violent crimes” defined by the Clery Act are murder, sexual offenses (forcible and non-forcible), robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, manslaughter, and arson.
For Complaints Involving Prohibited Conduct Not Covered by Section I

Following a determination to pursue a formal resolution of a Complaint involving students received by the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources involving discrimination or harassment not covered by Section I above:

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or his/her designee) will provide all parties involved with a copy of these procedures.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or his/her designee) will request the Complainant to provide to the Title IX Coordinator, within 5 days after the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources’ request and preferably in writing, a description of all facts that bear on the allegations; specifically, the details surrounding the accusation, names of possible witnesses, and the nature and description of possible evidence. The Complainant is expected to share with the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, or other appropriate investigative entity as designated by Einstein, any relevant supplemental information that subsequently becomes available.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or his/her designee) will promptly inform the Respondent in writing (and send a copy to the Complainant) of the allegations (including the date, time, location, nature of the alleged misconduct, and factual allegations) and ask the Respondent to respond to them within 5 days after such notice. Such response should include all facts that bear on the allegations, including the names of possible witnesses and the nature and description of possible evidence. The Respondent is expected to share with the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, or other appropriate investigative entity as designated by Einstein, any relevant supplemental information that subsequently becomes available. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will inform the Complainant of any defenses that the Respondent may provide. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or his/her designee) may ask to meet with the parties separately to discuss the allegations.

Where appropriate, in the judgment of the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, both the Complainant and the Respondent may be invited to engage in mediation or conciliation.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources may also work with Senior Counsel, as appropriate, in responding to the receipt of a Complaint.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or other designated investigator) will fully, fairly and impartially investigate the Complaint, and each party equally will have the opportunity to present witnesses and other evidence to the investigator. Each party and appropriate officials will also be afforded equal and timely access to information that will be used to adjudicate the Complaint.

Both parties will be advised by the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or his/her designee) that reasonable efforts will be made by Einstein to protect the privacy of the parties, and to maintain confidentiality to the extent possible and as is consistent with investigative needs and applicable laws (see Section VII(C) and VIII).

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will explore possible interim protective measures and accommodations with both parties.
The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or other designated investigator) will endeavor, as promptly as feasible, to interview all relevant parties and review all evidence, including witnesses and evidence identified by the parties.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or his/her designee) will provide the Complainant and the Respondent with periodic status updates.

Each party will be provided written notice in advance of any interview or hearing, with sufficient time to prepare for meaningful participation. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or other designated investigator) will seek to conclude the investigation as promptly as practicable, and in any event generally within 30 days after receipt of the Respondent’s statement regarding the allegations, and generally within 40 days after receipt of the formal Complaint. The facts and circumstances of each case may make it necessary to extend the resolution timeline (see Section VIII(B)(ii)).

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources (or other designated investigator) will compile a written neutral investigation report, summarizing the evidence and making findings of fact and conclusions, and will then determine the credible evidence and make a finding as to whether this policy has been violated. A finding of a violation of this policy will be based on a preponderance of evidence (i.e., that it is more likely than not that the discrimination or harassment occurred).

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will simultaneously inform the parties of the conclusion of the investigation and the finding. The Complainant and Respondent may respond to such findings, either verbally or in writing, and such response will be furnished to the appropriate disciplinary authority along with the investigation’s findings. Neither the Complainant nor the Respondent is entitled to receive a copy of the internal investigative report or any other related documents. If Einstein determines to furnish a document to one party, it will also simultaneously furnish a copy to the other party.

Findings and recommendations concerning a Respondent will be promptly referred to the Dean of Students for consideration of appropriate disciplinary action. The Dean of Students will consult with the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources and the designated investigator (as applicable) to review the findings and recommendations, as well as any responses to such findings received from the Complainant or Respondent.

The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will simultaneously notify the parties as soon as practicable of the sanctions to be imposed, except that the Complainant will only be notified of sanctions that directly relate to said Complainant. Such notice may also include any other remedial or preventative action being taken or provided by the school. A Respondent may appeal the sanctions to be imposed on him/her, but no other party has a right of appeal. Within 5 days of notice of the sanctions to be imposed on the Respondent, the Respondent may appeal the sanctions by submitting a written request to the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources. The only grounds for an appeal are that the sanctions are excessive or inconsistent with the nature of the offense. The appeal is not a re-hearing of the underlying matter. Upon receipt of the appeal, the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will provide the other party with notice of the appeal and the opportunity to respond in writing. The other party’s response to the appeal must be submitted within 5 days from receipt of notice of the appeal. The appeal will be reviewed by the Dean (or his/her designee), and he/she will issue a
determination generally within 5 days from the date of the submission of all appeal documents by both parties. The Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources will simultaneously notify the parties as soon as practicable of the decision. Appeal decisions are final. If there is no appeal, the Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources also will simultaneously notify the parties that the initial decision is final because the time for an appeal has expired.

Einstein will endeavor to fully resolve all formal Complaints generally within 60 days after receipt of the formal Complaint. The 60-day time period may be extended depending on the nature of the allegations, the time of year, and any other unforeseen or extenuating circumstance.
Appendix B: Student Bill of Rights

Einstein is committed to providing options, support and assistance to victims/survivors of Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence and/or Dating Violence to ensure that they can continue to participate in Einstein-wide and campus programs, activities, and employment. All students have the following rights, regardless of whether the crime or violation occurs on campus, off campus, or while studying abroad.

All students have the right to:

- Make a report to local law enforcement and/or state police;
- Have disclosures of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Stalking, and Sexual Assault treated seriously;
- Make a decision about whether or not to disclose a crime or violation and participate in the judicial or conduct process and/or criminal justice process free from pressure by the institution;
- Participate in a process that is fair, impartial, and provides adequate notice and a meaningful opportunity to be heard;
- Be treated with dignity and to receive from the institution courteous, fair, and respectful health care and counseling services, where available;
- Be free from any suggestion that the reporting individual is at fault when these crimes and violations are committed, or should have acted in a different manner to avoid such crimes or violations;
- Describe the incident to as few institution representatives as practicable and not be required to unnecessarily repeat a description of the incident;
- Be protected from retaliation by the institution, any student, the accused and/or the Respondent, and/or their friends, family and acquaintances within the jurisdiction of the institution;
- Access to at least one level of appeal of a determination;
- Be accompanied by an advisor of choice who may assist and advise a reporting individual, accused, or Respondent throughout the judicial or conduct process including during all meetings and hearings related to such process; and
- Exercise civil rights and practice of religion without interference by the investigative, criminal justice, or judicial or conduct process of the institution.
- See Section VII for information about filing a report, Sections VII(C) and VIII for information about confidentiality during an investigation and Appendix F for confidential support options.
Appendix C: Student Alcohol and Drug Use Amnesty Policy

The health and safety of every student at Einstein is of utmost importance. Einstein recognizes that students who have been drinking and/or using drugs (whether such use is voluntary or involuntary) at the time that violence, including but not limited to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Stalking or Sexual Assault, occurs may be hesitant to report such incidents due to fear of potential consequences for their own conduct. Einstein strongly encourages students to report Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Stalking, or Sexual Assault to Einstein officials. A bystander acting in good faith or a reporting individual acting in good faith that discloses any incident of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Stalking, or Sexual Assault to Einstein’s officials or law enforcement will not be subject to a code of conduct action for violations of alcohol and/or drug use policies occurring at or near the time of the commission of the Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Stalking, or Sexual Assault.

Einstein will provide students with the assistance needed to respond to high risk drinking and/or other drug abuse. In a crisis, students are encouraged to seek such assistance by contacting the Security Department or 911.

Security Department
Forchheimer Building, Room G9
1300 Morris Park Avenue
(718) 430-2180
security@Einstein.yu.edu

Additional resources and information can be found in Einstein’s Drug and Alcohol Policy.
Appendix D: Additional Crime and Related Definitions

The following definitions are drawn from the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and its regulations, as well as various New York State laws.

Family or Household Member

The following individuals: (a) persons related by consanguinity or affinity; (b) persons legally married to one another; (c) person formerly married to one another regardless of whether they still reside in the same household; (d) persons who have a child in common regardless of whether such persons are married or have lived together at any time; (e) unrelated persons who are continually or at regular intervals living in the same household or who have in the past continually or at regular intervals lived in the same household; (f) persons who are not related by consanguinity or affinity and who are or have been in an intimate relationship regardless of whether such persons have lived together at any time. Factors that may be considered in determining whether a relationship is an “intimate relationship” include, but are not limited to: the nature or type of relationship regardless of whether the relationship is sexual in nature; the frequency of interaction between the persons; and the duration of the relationship. Neither a casual acquaintance nor ordinary fraternization between two individuals in business or social contexts shall be deemed to constitute an “intimate relationship;” or (g) any other category of individuals deemed to be a victim of Domestic Violence as defined by the office of children and family services in regulation. Factors that may be considered in determining whether a relationship is an “intimate relationship” include, but are not limited to: the nature or type of relationship, regardless of whether the relationship is sexual in nature; the frequency of interaction between the persons; and the duration of the relationship. Intimate relationship status shall be applied to teens, lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender, and elderly individuals, current and formerly married and/or dating heterosexual individuals who were, or are in an intimate relationship.

Incest

Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

Intimidation

To unlawfully place another person in reasonable fear of bodily harm through the use of threatening words and/or other conduct, but without displaying a weapon or subjecting the victim to actual physical attack.

Parent

Natural or adoptive Parent or any individual lawfully charged with a minor child’s care or custody.

Sexual Misconduct

When a person (1) engages in sexual intercourse with another person without such person’s Consent; or (2) engages in oral sexual conduct or anal sexual conduct without such person’s Consent; or (3) engages in sexual conduct with an animal or a dead human body.
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**Rape in the Third Degree**

When a person (1) engages in sexual intercourse with another person who is incapable of Consent by reason of some factor other than being less than 17 years old; (2) Being 21 years old or more, engages in sexual intercourse with another person less than 17 years old; or (3) engages in sexual intercourse with another person without such person’s Consent where such lack of Consent is by reason of some factor other than incapacity to Consent.

**Fondling**

The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the Consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.

New York State law specifically prohibits forcible touching, defined as when a person intentionally, and for no legitimate purpose: (1) forcibly touches the sexual or other intimate parts of another person, or for the purpose of gratifying the actor's sexual desire; or (2) subjects another person to sexual contact for the purpose of degrading or abusing such person; or for the purpose of gratifying the actor’s sexual desire and with intent to degrade or abuse such other person while such other person is a passenger on a bus, train, or subway car operated by any transit agency, authority or company, public or private, whose operation is authorized by New York State or any of its political subdivisions. Forcible touching includes squeezing, grabbing, or pinching.

**Sexual Abuse**

When a person subjects another person to sexual contact without the person’s Consent or where the person is incapable of Consent, including in most instances where such person is a minor.
Appendix E: A Plain Language Explanation of Distinctions between the New York State Penal Law and Einstein Disciplinary Processes

New York State Education Law Article 129-B requires that Einstein officials explain differences between Einstein processes and the criminal justice process in addressing sexual and interpersonal violence.

There are significant differences between the two systems because they have different, important goals. In the criminal justice system, prosecutors pursue cases when they believe there is sufficient evidence to prove, beyond a reasonable doubt, that an individual has committed a criminal act. A person who is convicted of a crime will face criminal penalties, such as incarceration, probation, or the imposition of a fine. Einstein disciplinary process seeks to determine whether an individual has violated Einstein policy. In this process, a preponderance of the evidence standard of proof is used to determine responsibility. A person who is found to have violated Einstein policy may be suspended, expelled or otherwise restricted from full participation in Einstein community. This document is intended to help explain the differences between the criminal justice system and Einstein disciplinary processes.

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<th>Criminal Justice System</th>
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<td><strong>Goals.</strong></td>
<td>Public safety, deterrence, and punishment.</td>
<td>Education; safety; safe and supportive campus environment.</td>
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<td><strong>Governing Law.</strong></td>
<td>NYS Penal Code; NYS Rules of Criminal Procedure (or another state’s rules if the crime took place there), Federal Criminal Law, and Rules of Evidence.</td>
<td>Title IX; The Clery Act, as amended by the Violence Against Women Act; NYS Education Law Articles 129-A and 129-B; Einstein’s Non-Discrimination and Gender-Based Misconduct Policies for Students and Employees; Student Bill of Rights; Faculty Policies; Code of Conduct.</td>
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<td><strong>How to report and whether there must be action once a report is made.</strong></td>
<td>Crimes involving sexual violence may be reported to the local police agency or to the New York State Police. Certain crimes may also be reported to federal law enforcement agents. Once a report is made, the decision whether to investigate is made by the police/law enforcement agency, often in consultation with a District</td>
<td>Victims may disclose sexual violence to various Einstein employees who are designated confidential resources or to others who will try to ensure privacy to the extent consistent with Einstein’s obligation to provide a safe educational environment. Disclosures made to a confidential resource will not trigger an investigation.</td>
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<td><strong>Who investigates?</strong></td>
<td>Police or other law enforcement officials.</td>
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<td>Investigators employed or retained by Einstein; these individuals may work for different departments within Einstein, including, but not limited to, Human Resources, the Security Department, Student Affairs and Academic Affairs, and the Office of General Counsel.</td>
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<td><strong>Procedures.</strong></td>
<td>See Governing Law. Procedures established by police departments, prosecutors’ offices, etc.</td>
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<td>Einstein policies, which generally incorporate requirements of Governing Law. Collective bargaining agreements and faculty policies may impact some procedures.</td>
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<td><strong>Standard of Evidence.</strong></td>
<td>Crimes must be proven “Beyond a Reasonable Doubt.”</td>
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<td>A violation of disciplinary rules must be found by a “Preponderance of the Evidence” (more likely than not).</td>
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<td><strong>Confidentiality.</strong></td>
<td>Law enforcement agencies offer some confidential assistance, but a criminal charge and trial must be public.</td>
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<td>Einstein offer confidential resources, but a disciplinary proceeding requires that relevant</td>
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<td><strong>Privacy.</strong></td>
<td>Criminal trials must be public.</td>
<td>Disciplinary proceedings are kept as private as possible, but information must be shared with certain individuals within Einstein, the parties to the proceedings, and pursuant to law.</td>
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<td><strong>Who are the parties?</strong></td>
<td>The prosecution/State and defendant. The victim/survivor is not a party, but often the critical witness for the prosecution.</td>
<td>Complainant and accused/Respondent.</td>
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<td><strong>Participation in the process.</strong></td>
<td>In limited circumstances, a criminal prosecution can proceed without the participation or cooperation of the reporting individual, but without a reporting individual’s participation, it is generally more difficult to prove a crime beyond a reasonable doubt.</td>
<td>Reporting students/Complainants cannot be required to participate in Einstein process. However, Einstein will be limited in its ability to respond if a reporting individual/Complainant does not participate.</td>
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<td><strong>Who initiates the proceedings?</strong></td>
<td>A prosecutor, acting on behalf of the State (or the United States in federal cases).</td>
<td>Einstein initiates proceedings, with the reporting individual/Complainant generally having an active role.</td>
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<td><strong>Testimony.</strong></td>
<td>In a court, testimony is generally public. Other parties are, through counsel, entitled to cross-examine witnesses.</td>
<td>Upon conclusion of a formal investigation, a hearing may be scheduled where the hearing officer may question the parties and witnesses. The parties may not cross-examine the witnesses. Einstein permits both parties to participate in any hearing.</td>
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### Role of attorneys.

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<th>Both the State and the defendant are represented by counsel; counsel may question witnesses.</th>
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<td>The parties may have a personal advisor/support person of their choice and at their expense (who may be an attorney) present with them during any Einstein meeting/proceeding. Such advisor/support person is limited to an advisory role, and may only privately consult and advise his/her advisee. The advisor/support person may not speak for the advisee at the meeting/proceeding, may not question witnesses, may not make any statements during the meeting/proceeding or otherwise Title IX: Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy and Complaint Procedures actively participate in the meeting/proceeding.</td>
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### Mental Health and Sexual History.

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<th>In New York, a reporting individual’s prior sexual and mental health history is generally, but not always, inadmissible in a criminal case. There are limited circumstances under which directly relevant evidence of that kind may be admitted.</th>
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<td>Generally not admissible, but subject to quite limited exceptions. NYS Education Law Article 129-B permits parties to exclude information about their prior sexual history with persons other than the other party and also to exclude evidence of their own mental health history in the fact-finding phase of the disciplinary process.</td>
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### Possible Results.

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<td>• plead guilty or “no contest”</td>
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- have the case dismissed by the judge (on legal grounds)
- be found “guilty” or “not guilty” by a judge or jury

| Sanctions. | An individual found guilty may be fined, imprisoned, or both. In some courts, alternative sanctions are sometimes used. | An individual found responsible for violating Einstein policy may be given a range of sanctions (depending on the severity of the conduct and other factors, such as prior judicial history), ranging from a warning to suspension or expulsion from Einstein (for students), and up to and including termination (for employees). |

Appendix F: Resources and Reporting Options

On-Campus Resources

Confidential Einstein Resources

A report made to the following Einstein resources will not trigger an investigation by Einstein:

**Office of Academic Support and Counseling**
718-430-3154 / oasc@Einstein.yu.edu
Student Mental Health Center
(718) 839-7400

Additionally, if an individual discloses information through a public awareness event, such as candlelight vigils, protests, or other public event, the institution is not obligated to begin an investigation based on such information, though it may use the information to inform its efforts for additional education and prevention.

Non-Confidential Einstein Resources

A report also may be made to Einstein’s Title IX Coordinator/Vice President for Human Resources, Security Department, Dean of Students, or other “campus security authorities” (See Section VII(A)), however it will trigger an investigation by Einstein.

Off-Campus Resources

Law Enforcement

Einstein’s first and foremost concern for anyone who has been the victim of an incident of Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, or any other crime is their physical safety. Thus, if anyone who has been a victim of such unlawful behavior is feeling physically unsafe, he/she should immediately call the Security Department, the local police precinct, 911, or the state police for assistance.

**New York City Police Department & State Police**
911 (Emergency)

**Local Police Precincts**
49th Precinct
2121 Eastchester Rd., Bronx, NY 10461
(718) 918-2000

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7Fees may apply to off-campus resources. Complainants should check with each resource to determine whether reporting is confidential.
Medical Care & Evidence Preservation

If anyone has been the victim of an incident of Sexual Abuse/Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, or any other crime is in need of immediate medical treatment, he/she should go to the nearest hospital emergency room or call 911.

Additionally, victims of Sexual Assault should consider the following:

Sexual Assault Forensic Examination

Within 96 hours of an assault, you can get a Sexual Assault Forensic Examination (commonly referred to as a rape kit) at a hospital. While there should be no charge for a rape kit, there may be a charge for medical or counseling services off campus and, in some cases, insurance may be billed for services. You are encouraged to let hospital personnel know if you do not want your insurance policyholder to be notified about your access to these services.

To best preserve evidence, victims/survivors should avoid showering, washing, changing clothes, combing hair, drinking, eating, or doing anything to alter physical appearance until after a physical exam has been completed.

To obtain a Sexual Assault Forensic Examination (SAFE), a Sexual Assault victim may contact Jacobi Medical Center, Social Work Department, 1400 Pelham Parkway, Room 1E4, Bronx, NY 10467, tel. 718-918-5800, or the North Central Bronx Hospital, Sexual Assault Treatment Program, 3424 Kossuth Avenue, Bronx, NY 10467, tel. 718-519-5722. Both Jacobi Medical Center and North Central Bronx Hospital are SAFE-designated hospitals. Emergency care and support is available 24 hours/7 days a week, and a Victim Service Program social worker or volunteer advocate is on call at all times.

Financial Assistance for Healthcare

The New York State Office of Victim Services may be able to assist in compensating victims/survivors for health care and counseling services, including emergency funds. More information may be found here: http://www.ovs.ny.gov/files/ovs_rights_of_cv_booklet.pdf or by calling 1-800-247-8035. Options are explained here: http://www.ovs.ny.gov/helpforcrimevictims.html.

Sexually Transmitted Infections

Sexual contact can transmit Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI) and may result in pregnancy. Testing for STIs and emergency contraception is available from The Oval Center at Montefiore, 3230 Bainbridge Avenue, Bronx, New York 10467, tel. (718) 882-5482.

Victims of Sexual Assault, Stalking, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence or other crime should also consider seeking mental health services.

Einstein is well aware of the emotional trauma often suffered by a victim of sexual violence, and therefore it has designated trained counselors in its Counseling Center to serve as Sexual Assault coordinators for Einstein. They can be reached by calling (929) 246-6791 or emailing oasc@Einstein.yu.edu and asking for a Sexual Assault coordinator. Advice and support will be offered on a confidential basis as the victim begins to make choices regarding how to proceed post-assault.
Other Resources Not Affiliated with Einstein

**The NYC Alliance Against Sexual Assault** on-line at www.svfreennyc.org or (212) 229-0345 has compiled numerous resources available to victims.

SOVRI (Support for Orthodox Victims of Rape and Incest) Hotline at Beth Israel Medical Center, (888) 613-1613 is a confidential hotline (no caller- ID is used) that may be called anonymously for information and support.

**Manhattan Family Justice Center can provide a wide range of services and support.** The Manhattan location is at 80 Centre Street, New York, NY, 10013; **Phone:** (212) 602-2800; [http://www.nyc.gov/html/ocdv/html/help/fjc.shtml](http://www.nyc.gov/html/ocdv/html/help/fjc.shtml)

**Family Court Volunteer Lawyer Program** (part of the New York State Access to Justice Program)
900 Sheridan Avenue
Bronx, NY 10451
Phone: (718) 618-2150
Hotline: (718) 618-2150

**Safe Horizon (NYC)**
2 Lafayette Street, 3rd Floor
New York, NY 10007
Phone: (212) 227-3000
[http://www.safehorizon.org/help@safehorizon.org](http://www.safehorizon.org/help@safehorizon.org)

Hotline: (866) 689-4357

**Lifenet Helpline** 1-800-543-3638 is a general crisis hotline

**Immigration & Visa Assistance Services for Victims of Sexual & Interpersonal Violence:**

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)  

USCIS Find Legal Services Webpage  
[http://www.uscis.gov/avoid-scams/find-legal-services](http://www.uscis.gov/avoid-scams/find-legal-services)

Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) (Listing of attorneys by state who provide immigration services either for free or for little cost)  

American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA) Immigration Lawyer Referral Service  

American Bar Association (ABA) (Information on finding legal services by state)  
[http://apps.americanbar.org/legalservices/findlegalhelp/home.cfm](http://apps.americanbar.org/legalservices/findlegalhelp/home.cfm)