

Sample Language for Syllabi Disclosure Statements Regarding Title IX Reporting Responsibilities

It can be helpful for faculty to include reporting disclosures in their syllabi. The following are possibilities for syllabus language:

OPTION 1:

“Iowa State University faculty are committed to supporting students and to maintaining an environment free of sexual violence and gender-based discrimination. If a student chooses to confide in a faculty or staff member regarding an issue of sexual assault, relationship violence, or stalking, all faculty and staff are obligated to report this disclosure to the university’s Title IX Coordinator. Students who have experienced sexual violence can choose to disclose their experience confidentially to the following resources: ACCESS (Assault Care Center Extending Shelter and Support) at 515-292-0500; ISU Student Counseling Services at 515-294-5056; and Thielen Student Health Center at 515-294-5801.”

OPTION 2:

“In this class, the topic of sexual violence may emerge in readings, assignments, and class discussions. Making a personal connection with the topics addressed in this class can be meaningful. But please be aware that the university requires that faculty report any personal disclosures of sexual assault, relationship violence, and stalking. Students who have experienced sexual violence can choose to disclose their experience confidentially to the following resources: ACCESS (Assault Care Center Extending Shelter and Support) at 515-292-0500; ISU Student Counseling Services at 515-294-5056; and Thielen Student Health Center at 515-294-5801.”

OPTION 3:

“As an instructor, one of my responsibilities is to help create a safe learning environment on our campus. As a Responsible Employee, I also have a mandatory reporting responsibility. It is my goal that you feel able to share information related to your life experiences in classroom discussions, in your written work, and in our one-on-one meetings. I will try to keep information you share private to the greatest extent possible. However, I am required to share information regarding sexual misconduct, relationship violence, and stalking with the ISU Title IX Coordinator. Students may speak to someone confidentially by contacting the following resources: ACCESS (Assault Care Center Extending Shelter and Support) at 515-292-0500; ISU Student Counseling Services at 515-294-5056; and Thielen Student Health Center at 515-294-5801.”