



Complainant Rights & Responsibility Verification Form

In accordance to the Georgia Perimeter College Sexual Misconduct Policy #216, the complainant has the following rights and responsibilities.

The entire policy may be found at <http://depts.gpc.edu/governance/policymanual.html>

Rights and responsibilities include the following:

- a. The right to have any and all sexual misconduct against them treated with seriousness; the right as victims, to be treated with dignity; and the right to receive supporting information and guidance from campus organizations.
- b. The right to have sexual misconduct investigated and adjudicated by the duly constituted criminal and civil authorities of the governmental entity in which the sexual misconduct occurred and the right to the full and prompt cooperation and assistance of campus personnel in notifying the proper authorities. The foregoing shall be in addition to any campus disciplinary proceedings.
- c. The right to be free from any kind of pressure by campus personnel that victims:
 1. not report crimes committed against them to civil and criminal authorities or to campus law enforcement and disciplinary officials, or
 2. report crimes as lesser offenses than the victims perceive them to be.
- d. The right to be free from any kind of suggestion that campus Sexual Misconduct victims not report, or under report, crimes because:
 1. victims are somehow responsible for the commission of crimes against them,
 2. victims were contributorily negligent or assumed the risk of being assaulted,
 3. by reporting crimes, victims would incur unwanted personal publicity.
- e. The right to be free from any kind of direct or indirect acts of retaliation by the accused or others from within the campus community.
- f. The same right to advisement and assistance or ability to have others present in any campus disciplinary proceeding that the institution permits the accused.
- g. The right to a hearing on the complaint, including timely notice of the hearing date and adequate time for preparation.
- h. The right not to have irrelevant prior sexual history admitted as evidence in a campus hearing.
- i. The right to make an impact statement at the campus conduct proceeding and to have that statement considered by the hearing panel in determining its sanction.
- j. The right to review all documentary evidence available regarding the complaint, subject to the privacy limitations imposed by state and federal law, at least 48 hours prior to the hearing.
- k. The right to be notified of the outcome of any campus disciplinary proceeding and the right to appeal the results/outcomes of the proceedings.
- l. The right to full and prompt cooperation from campus personnel in obtaining, securing and maintaining evidence within the College's jurisdiction as it may be necessary to the proof of criminal sexual assault in subsequent legal proceedings.
- m. The right to be made aware of and assisted in exercising any options as provided by state and federal laws or regulations with regard to mandatory testing of sexual assault suspects for communicable diseases and with regard to notification to victims of the results of such testing.
- n. It is your responsibility to cooperate with the investigation.
- o. It is not your right to engage in any direct or indirect acts of retaliation towards the accused or others involved in the investigation.

Confidentiality

The college will maintain confidentiality insofar as it does not interfere with the College's legal obligation or ability to investigate allegations of misconduct when brought to its attention and take corrective action when it is found that misconduct has occurred.

By signing this document, I verify the following:

- Attended a meeting with the Assistant Title IX Coordinator
- Received an overview of my rights and responsibilities
- Was given a copy of Georgia Perimeter College Sexual Misconduct Policy (#216) for review of policies and procedures

Complainant Name & GPC ID Number

Date

Assistant or Title IX Coordinator

Date