

Indiana University - Bloomington Graduate & Professional Student Government

Graduate & Professional Student Government (GPSG) Campus Safety and Responsibility Resolution

(1)

WHEREAS, Title IX of the 1972 Education Amendments requires the University to take the necessary steps to prevent sexual assault on campus, and to respond promptly and effectively when an assault is reported;

WHEREAS, the University is required by the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act to report "criminal actions or other emergencies occurring on campus and policies concerning the institution's response to such reports;"

WHEREAS, current community threat alerts vary in regards to sufficient information, details of reported crimes, and available emergency/crisis resources;

WHEREAS, past community alerts regarding sexual misconduct and safety tips were perceived as "victim-blaming;"

(2)

WHEREAS, Indiana University is "committed to using its resources in research and education to improve preventative programs" (Sexual Misconduct Policy UA-03);

WHEREAS, access to information regarding student concerns on sexual misconduct on campus provides a platform with which advocates can improve upon current policies and campaigns in conjunction with Indiana University's promotion of student well-being;

(3)

WHEREAS, The Bicentennial Strategic Plan for Indiana University-Bloomington highlights the University's commitment to creating a safe, vibrant, and healthy community;

WHEREAS, "Indiana University is committed to inclusion, tolerance, diversity, and respect for differences" (Code of Academic Ethics ACA-33);



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THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Graduate and Professional Student Government Assembly, as the official representative of the graduate and professional student body at Indiana University-Bloomington, that

- (1) Indiana University should provide consistent community threat alerts regarding violence (e.g. domestic, sexual, etc.) with ample details surrounding the report of the crime and follow-ups for community awareness and safety.
 - a. A suggested format is provided as a separate document
- (2) Data taken from campus-wide surveys regarding sexual misconduct and violence should be made more accessible to students in order to address participant concerns on campus, safety, and progress towards mitigating those concerns through policies, campaigns, campus culture, etc.
- (3) Indiana University should adopt a "Healthy Sexuality" campaign that promotes an empowered student body through positive, healthy and informed discussion.

Respectfully submitted to and passed by the Graduate and Professional Student Government Assembly on this 4th day of December, 2015.

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GPSG President	Date