



## Suggested Syllabi Statement TITLE IX Statement:

Gwynedd Mercy University and its faculty are committed to assuring a safe and productive educational environment for all students and community members. In order to meet this commitment and to comply with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and guidance from the Office for Civil Rights, the University requires all faculty members to report incidents of sexual misconduct shared by students or any community member to the University's Title IX Coordinator, Robert Wood.

The University believes in creating a community free from interpersonal violence, including sexual harassment, sexual assault, partner violence, and stalking, in which all members of the university community feel safe and respected. Each student deserves a safe environment in which they are free to pursue an education.

Please know that all faculty on campus are mandatory reporters. This means that if you choose to disclose an experience of sexual misconduct to me outside of a classroom discussion, a writing assignment, or as part of a University approved research project, I must report the experience to the University's Title IX Coordinator. If you disclose sexual violence or any other abuse that occurred to you while you were a minor or someone else while they were a minor, I must report that as well. Filing a sexual misconduct report does not mean you will be part of a Title IX investigation or have to go to court.

Information regarding the sexual misconduct policy are available on the University's website under policies. You may also reach out to Robert Wood, Title IX Coordinator at [wood.r@gmercyu.edu](mailto:wood.r@gmercyu.edu) or 215-646-7300 x21140 with any questions or concerns.