

### TITLE IX POLICY STATEMENT

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 ("Title IX") protects people from discrimination based on sex in education programs or activities which receive Federal financial assistance. Title IX states: No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

### Schiller International University

Schiller International University not only complies with the letter of Title IX's requirements but also endorses the law's intent and spirit. The University is committed to compliance in all areas addressed by Title IX, including access to higher education, career education, math and science, standardized testing, athletics, education for pregnant and parenting students, learning environment, and technology, as well as sexual harassment. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the University's policies are applied and interpreted in ways consistent with Title IX and other applicable law. It is the policy of the University to provide educational, preventative and training programs regarding sexual or gender-based harassment; to encourage reporting of incidents; to prevent incidents of sexual and gender-based harassment from denying or limiting an individual's ability to participate in or benefit from the University's programs; to make available timely services for those who have been affected by discrimination; and to provide prompt and equitable methods of investigation and resolution to stop discrimination, remedy any harm, and prevent its recurrence. Violations of this Policy may result in the imposition of sanctions up to, and including, termination, dismissal, or expulsion, as determined by the appropriate officials at the University.

**Discrimination**: Schiller International University prohibits discrimination and harassment based on race, color, creed, religion, sex, gender, national origin, citizenship, ethnicity, marital status, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression, genetic information, veteran status, or any other status protected by applicable law to the extent prohibited by law.

**Policy**. Schiller's continuing policy is to provide an environment free from any form of illegal harassment. Sexual harassment in any manner or form is expressly prohibited. Retaliation against anyone exercising a legal right, such as filing a complaint in good faith or providing information during an investigation, is also expressly prohibited, will not be tolerated and will result in disciplinary action, regardless of the disposition of the underlying complaint.

**Procedures**: A student who feels that he or she has been subjected to sexual or other illegal harassment by fellow students, employees, vendors, visitors, and/or guests should immediately report the incident in writing to the Campus Director who serves at the Title IX Coordinator for the campus.



Complaints will be promptly and thoroughly investigated by an appropriate person or persons. Investigations will be designed to protect the reasonable privacy interests of all parties concerned. Disciplinary and corrective action will be taken dependent upon the circumstances and as appropriate.

Schiller will not tolerate verbal or physical conduct by any employee or student that harasses, disrupts, or interferes with another's work performance or which creates an intimidating, offensive or hostile work environment.

All violations should be brought to the attention of the Campus Director who is the Title IX Coordinator on campus who will in turn bring this to the SIU Title IX Coordinator.

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