

Annual Report Regarding Institutional Response to Reports of Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct

July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

#### A Note from the Title IX Coordinator

Members of the University of Michigan Community:

As Title IX Coordinator it is my strong belief that preventing, addressing, and mitigating the harmful effects of sexual and gender-based misconduct at the University of Michigan is a community effort. Each member of the campus community has a role to play. We release this report annually to provide transparency about the number of allegations of sexual and gender-based misconduct reported to the university and to detail the Equity, Civil Rights and Title IX Office's responses to these allegations.

It is my hope that this report serves as a tool to provide transparency around raise awareness of available resources and options and reaffirm our dedication to addressing misconduct. It reflects our ongoing efforts to ensure compliance with federal and state regulations while prioritizing the wellbeing of our students, faculty, and staff.

The data and information provided herein represent a role of the Title IX Office - responding to reported sexual and gender-based misconduct – just part of our collective campus community responsibility to uphold a culture of respect, accountability, and support. Through supportive measures, collaboration with campus partners, and effective response processes, we continue to strengthen our commitment to a campus free from discrimination and harm.

Thank you for joining us in this important work. If you have questions about this report or wish to learn more about the resources and support available, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

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## **Executive Summary**

Pursuant to the University of Michigan Policy on Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct ("Policy"), the Equity, Civil Rights and Title IX Office (ECRT) produces an annual report detailing actions taken by the University to address issues reported under the Policy. This report reflects actions taken under the Policy in response to reports received by ECRT between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024 (FY2024).

During this time period, ECRT received 983 reports of possible sexual and gender-based misconduct.

ECRT reviews each report to identify appropriate next steps. In many instances, there is limited information provided to ECRT, for example, one or both of the parties may not be identified or the specific allegations may be unclear. ECRT follows up as possible to try to learn more information. In some instances, ECRT is able to get more details and take additional actions. In others, the information may never be shared with ECRT, limiting further steps available to address the specific matter. This year, at the time of data collection for this report:

- In 432 of the 983 reports, the identity of the respondent was not known to ECRT, and 319 of those 432 reports did not contain sufficient information to ascertain whether and what affiliation the respondent may have with U-M.
  - In 251 of the 432 reports, neither the complainant nor the respondent were identified to ECRT;
  - In the other 181 reports, the complainant's identity was reported or ECRT was able to learn the complainant's identity, but the respondent has not been identified to ECRT;
- In an additional 97 reports, the respondent's identity was reported or ECRT was able to learn the respondent's identity, but the complainant has not been identified to ECRT.

The more information that ECRT has about a matter, the more actions can be taken to respond effectively. This year:

- 397 reports involved alleged conduct by individuals who are not faculty, staff, or students at the University of Michigan and were addressed under the Employee Procedures, which also apply to Third Parties;
- 354 reports involved the alleged conduct of a staff (258) or faculty (96) member and were addressed under the Employee Procedures;
- 191 reports involved the alleged conduct of a student and were addressed under the Student Procedures.

Some concerns do not involve allegations of misconduct by a particular individual; rather, they may indicate an overall climate of inappropriate sexual or gender-based comments or other concerns in a particular unit, or concerns about a University policy or practice that is broader than the actions or decisions by an individual(s). This year, 2 additional climate assessments and 39 other reviews were conducted.

ECRT responded to each report it received. In all instances where it was possible to do so (i.e., the complainant's identity was shared with ECRT), ECRT provided the complainant with information about how to file a formal complaint, how to report to law enforcement, the availability of supportive measures, and additional resources the University offers. A complainant may request an investigative or adaptable resolution by filing a formal complaint, and supportive measures and other resources are available regardless of whether they want a formal resolution process. In some instances where the complainant does not file a Formal Complaint, the University nonetheless needs to take further action to address the concerns, for example, where a faculty or staff member is alleged to have engaged in misconduct.

In each matter in which a formal resolution process (investigation or adaptable resolution) did not occur, one or more of the following was true:

- The complainant's identity was unknown;
- The respondent's identity was unknown;
- The respondent was not affiliated with the University;
- The alleged conduct did not constitute a potential violation of the Policy and was therefore more appropriately addressed in another manner (e.g., through education);

- The complainant requested ECRT not to open an investigation or adaptable resolution, and indicated they would not participate in a hearing where a hearing is required by law;
- The complainant did not respond to ECRT or requested ECRT not to open an investigation or adaptable resolution and there was insufficient information for ECRT to conduct a thorough investigation;
- The complainant requested ECRT not to open an investigation or adaptable resolution, the respondent was not an employee, there were no other reports of misconduct involving the respondent, and there were no compelling individual or safety community concerns overriding the complainant's request.

Of the sexual and gender-based misconduct matters reported to ECRT during FY2024:

- ECRT conducted 42 investigations, 35 of which were initiated by a
  Formal Complaint submitted by the complainant(s); in the remaining
  7, the complainant(s) did not file a formal complaint to request an
  investigation but ECRT determined that a formal investigation process
  was necessary to ensure the allegations were fully and appropriately
  addressed, and there was sufficient information available to conduct an
  investigation;
- 15 of the investigations were conducted under the Student Procedures; 5 were conducted under the Employee Procedures Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process ("Process B") and 22 were conducted under the Employee Procedures Other Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process (not involving alleged Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct) ("Process A");
- In two matters involving student respondents, and in two matters involving employee respondents, the Complainant requested, Respondent agreed to, and Title IX Coordinator approved, the use of adaptable resolution.

The remaining matters were addressed through a variety of steps taken to stop misconduct, prevent future misconduct, and remedy the effects of misconduct on all who may have experienced or been impacted by it. These steps included supportive measures, contact restrictions, and individual or group educational efforts.

Many of the reports that ECRT received involved multiple types of allegations, and in total:

- 353 reports involved allegations of Sexual Harassment;
- 313 reports involved allegations of Sexual Assault;
- 186 reports involved allegations of Sex and Gender-Based Harassment;
- 105 reports involved allegations of Sex and Gender-Based Discrimination;
- 95 reports involved allegations of Sex and/or Gender-Based Stalking;
- 95 reports involved allegations of Intimate Partner Violence;
- 29 reports involved allegations of Retaliation;
- 13 reports involved allegations of Sexual Exploitation;
- 1 report involved allegations of Violation of Supportive Measures.

16 reports involved allegations of unspecified sexual or gender-based misconduct without sufficient information to identify the potential Policy violations.



### **ECRT**

#### What is ECRT?

The Equity, Civil Rights and Title IX Office, or ECRT, is an office where University students, staff, faculty, and third parties can go if they have concerns about discrimination, including sexual and gender-based misconduct. Patients can also seek assistance from ECRT with respect to sexual and gender-based misconduct concerns.

In particular, ECRT aims to increase and coordinate prevention efforts and to provide more robust, timely, and supportive communications with any member of the campus community who may interact with ECRT.

ECRT now includes the Prevention Education, Assistance & Resources (PEAR) department, which provides sexual and gender- based misconduct prevention education for faculty and staff, as well as other assistance addressing the impact of misconduct on our community.

# The Policy

# What Is the Policy on Sexual and Gender- Based Misconduct?

The Policy on Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct ("the Policy"):

- Provides information about how to report concerns
- Designates Confidential Resources and identifies Non-Confidential Resources Designates Individuals with Reporting Obligations (IROs) and describes reporting obligations
- Is accompanied by Student Procedures and Employee Procedures that identify and explain the processes by which concerns of Prohibited Conduct are addressed Prohibits various forms of sexual and genderbased misconduct (collectively, Prohibited Conduct)
  - Sexual Assault
  - Sexual Exploitation
  - Sexual Harassment
  - Gender-Based Harassment
  - Sex and/or Gender-Based Stalking
  - Intimate Partner Violence
  - Sex and Gender-Based Discrimination Retaliation
  - Violation of Supportive Measures
  - Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct

#### Why Does the University Have This Policy?

The University of Michigan has had policies prohibiting sex discrimination and sexual misconduct for decades, for a variety of reasons. The Policy:

- Is one part of building and maintaining a safe and equitable environment for all of its community members (including applicants, visitors, and patients);
- Identifies institutional values and conduct expectations;
- Is a mechanism to hold community members accountable when unacceptable behavior occurs; and
- Is required by various federal and state laws;

- For example, Title IX is a federal civil rights and education law that prohibits sex discrimination in educational institutions receiving federal funds;
- Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, the Violence Against Women Act, the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act) the Michigan Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act, and even the State of Michigan higher education budget law (P.A, 86 of 2021), also include requirements for how the University addresses sexual and gender-based misconduct.

## Reporting Concerns

#### How Can Someone Report Concerns?

Concerns regarding possible sexual and gender-based misconduct are reported to the Title IX Coordinator and Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Director in the Equity, Civil Rights and Title IX Office:

• Online form: <u>ecrt.umich.edu/file-a-report</u>

Email: <u>ecrtoffice@umich.edu</u>

• Phone: (734) 763-0235

 In person: 2072 Administrative Services Building, 1009 Greene Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48109

#### Who Can Report Concerns?

Anyone can report, including:

- A person who believes they may have experienced Prohibited Conduct (Complainant);
- A University Individual with Reporting Obligations (IRO);
- A person who has information about possible Prohibited Conduct, even if they are not directly involved.

The University encourages reporting of information regarding concerns of Prohibited Conduct and encourages reporting as soon as possible.

# Reporting Requirements

#### Who is Required to Report Concerns?

While everyone is encouraged to report, many members of the University community are required to report concerns of Prohibited Conduct to ECRT. These are called Individuals with Reporting Obligations, or IROs, and the roles that carry this reporting obligation are outlined in the Policy.

All University faculty and staff are encouraged to complete the <u>Reporting</u> Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct training module in order to:

- Determine whether they are an IRO;
- Learn what conduct is Prohibited under the Policy;
- Understand how to respond appropriately, whether or not they have reporting obligations;
- Consider reasons to report even if not obligated to do so; and
- Identify how to report concerns.

Live trainings are also provided to various University employees on an annual basis (e.g., Hall Directors, Resident Advisors, and other Housing/Residential Education staff; Athletics leadership, coaching, operations, training, advising, counseling, medical, and equipment staff, etc.,). Academic departments and non-academic units may also receive live training on a regular or ad hoc basis as coordinated by ECRT and by the applicable unit.

To request live training regarding report of Prohibited Conduct, please contact ECRT:

• Email: <u>ecrtoffice@umich.edu</u>

• Phone: (734) 763-0235

 In person: 2027 Administrative Services Building, 1009 Greene Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48109

# **Reporting Crimes**

#### Does the University Report Sexual and Gender-Based Crimes to the Police?

Yes. When ECRT receives information about a possible crime, in addition to taking other steps related to the Policy:

- ECRT submits information to the University's <u>Division of Public Safety</u> and Security (DPSS)
- DPSS can then:
  - Assess the information for possible action;
  - Reach out to impacted individuals to let them know about options they may have through DPSS; and
  - Share information with the appropriate agency if a crime is alleged to have occurred off campus.
- This does not automatically result in the opening of a criminal investigation.
- This also does not preclude responsive action by the University under the Policy.

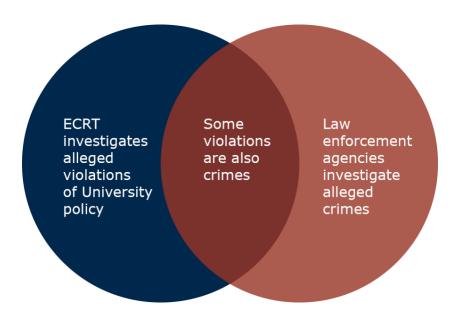
Individuals who believe they have experienced Prohibited Conduct that may also be a crime may choose to report to ECRT, law enforcement, neither, or both.

Many others on campus also have obligations under the Clery Act to notify DPSS of information they learn about certain alleged crimes, for purposes of assessing timely warnings to the community as well as annual statistical reporting. For more information about who is a Campus Security Authority (CSA), please contact the Clery Compliance Coordinator, Erik Mattila, at emattila@umich.edu.

# **Investigating Criminal Conduct**

#### Does the University Investigate Crimes?

- ECRT investigates and otherwise responds to allegations of a violation(s) of University policy.
- Law enforcement agencies investigate allegations of criminal conduct.
- Some behaviors fall under both this Policy and criminal statutes, so they may be addressed by ECRT as possible violations of the Policy and by a law enforcement agency as possible crimes.
- A University response to a report under the Policy does not mean the same concern cannot also be investigated as a crime.
- This is consistent with other conduct that may be both a crime and a violation of University policy (e.g., if a student stole another student's property or punched, stabbed, or otherwise physically assaulted another student outside of an intimate partner relationship, that would be a crime as well as a violation of the <u>Statement of Student Rights</u> and <u>Responsibilities</u> and both law enforcement and the University would be expected to appropriately address an allegation of such behavior).
- Federal law, including Title IX, specifically prohibits the University from simply reporting a matter to law enforcement and relying upon the outcome of a criminal investigation, rather than taking its own steps to assess and respond to the concerns under the Policy.



The following table shows whether the University, through ECRT, law enforcement, or both may have an appropriate role to play in responding to various types of alleged behaviors.

Behavior	ECRT	Law Enforcement	Both
May violate the policy and criminal statute(s) Example: Sexual Assault	Yes	Yes	Yes
May violate the Policy; does not violate criminal statute(s) Example: Unwelcome, sexualized comments creating a hostile environment	Yes	No	No
May violate criminal statute, but not this Policy Example: personal tax fraud	No	Yes	No

# The Policy and the Clery Act

# Why Do the Numbers in This Report Differ From the University's Annual Security Report?

The University's <u>Annual Security Report and Annual Fire Safety Report</u> is a specific report required by the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act). In accordance with the Clery Act, the Annual Security Report contains the numbers of certain types of reported crimes, as defined by the FBI Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, which were reported to have occurred in particular geographic locations during a calendar year.

Many of the incidents referenced in this report, while falling under the Policy on Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct, do not fall within the Clery Act statistical definitions, resulting in a disparity between the data reported in this report and the Annual Security Report. Further, the numbers will differ because the data contained in the reports respectively encompass different time periods (i.e., this report encompasses the 2024 fiscal year while this year's Annual Security Report reflects the 2023 calendar year).

Report	Time Period	Conduct Reported	Geography
Annual Security Report	January 1, 2023- December 31, 2023	Reports to DPSS of certain crimes	Specific locations on campus or within University's control
Annual Report Regarding Institutional Responses to Reports of Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct	July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024	Reports to ECRT of possible Sexual and Gender- Based Misconduct	Any location, on or off campus

## Reports & Reponses This Year

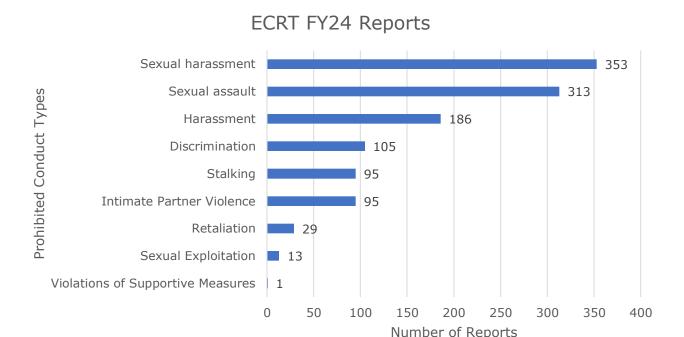
#### How Many Reports Did ECRT Receive?

During FY24, ECRT received 983 reports of possible sexual and gender-based misconduct by university students, faculty, staff, or third parties.

Often, a report may involve more than one potential Policy violation. Among the 983reports, many involved multiple allegation types (either because a single alleged incident could potentially constitute more than one form of Prohibited Conduct, or because a single report may contain multiple alleged types of behaviors). Of the 983reports:

- 313 reports involved allegations of Sexual Assault;
- 353 reports involved allegations of Sexual Harassment;
- 186 reports involved allegations of Sex and Gender-Based Harassment;
- 105 reports involved allegations of Sex and Gender-Based Discrimination;
- 95 reports involved allegations of Sex and/or Gender-Based Stalking;
- 95 reports involved allegations of Intimate Partner Violence;
- 29 reports involved allegations of Retaliation;
- 13 reports involved allegations of Sexual Exploitation; and
- 1 report involved allegations of Violation of Supportive Measures.

Of the 983 reports 16 reports involved allegations of unspecified sexual or gender-based misconduct without sufficient information to identify the potential Policy violations.



# Why is Some Sexual Misconduct Also Specifically Identified as Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct?

Ten of the above reports involved allegations that also fell within Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct. Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct involves specific definitions designated within the federal Title IX Regulations, reportedly occurring under certain circumstances.

Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct is differentiated from other Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct more by the circumstances of the alleged incident and the existence of a Formal Complaint, rather than representing substantively different types of behaviors. To the contrary, behavior falling under Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct generally also falls under another Prohibited Conduct definition. Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct allegations are essentially allegations of another form of Prohibited Conduct when the following circumstances are also met:

- Occurs in the United States;
- Occurs in a University Program or Activity;

- A Formal Complaint is filed;
- Fits certain definitions as outlined in the Policy, which generally would also constitute another form of Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct.



Reports of conduct that meet these criteria are called Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct because they reflect the definition of sexual harassment set forth in the federal Title IX regulations as amended in 2020. The Title IX regulations define sexual harassment more narrowly than the University's Policy, and some other civil rights laws.

- Accordingly, the federal regulations set the "floor" for what the University is required to prohibit, but the University is permitted to take more action to address sexual misconduct than Title IX requires.
- UM chooses to address forms of sexual misconduct that are reported to occur within the University community but may not meet the narrow Title IX regulations that would require the University to do so. The regulations require the University to make a determination as to whether allegations contained within a Formal Complaint meet the Title IX definition of sexual harassment.
- The regulations require certain prescriptive procedures (including a live hearing) to address allegations that fall within the Title IX definition of sexual harassment.
- If the alleged conduct does not meet the Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct criteria, the regulations require the Title IX Coordinator to dismiss, for Title IX purposes, a Formal Complaint of alleged conduct that falls outside of the narrow Title IX definition of sexual harassment.
- If the conduct still falls within the University's Policy, the University will still address the behavior in accordance with the applicable procedures.

#### Who Was Involved in the Reports?

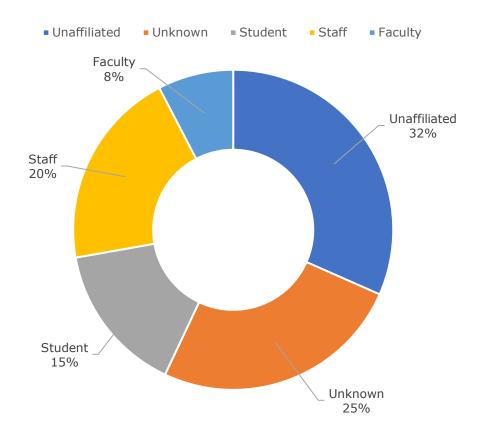
ECRT generally receives reports involving behavior when the Complainant (the person reported to have experienced the conduct), the Respondent (the person reported to have engaged in the conduct), or both are students, faculty, staff, or have some other connection to the University (e.g., patients, visitors to campus events, etc.,).

Of the 983 reports ECRT received regarding sexual and gender-based misconduct in FY24, 41 gender-based concerns were raised more generally regarding University policies or practices, or a variety of aspects of a particular unit, rather than the alleged conduct of a particular individual.

Of the reports involving Respondent(s):

- 397 reports involved conduct allegedly engaged in by individuals who are not known to be students, faculty, or staff at the University of Michigan:
  - 319 of the reports of sexual and gender-based misconduct did not contain sufficient information for ECRT to identify who the Respondent is or even whether and how they may be affiliated with the University;
  - 58 involved reported behavior of the type prohibited under the Policy, but the Respondent is not affiliated with the University, and in fact the incident(s) are entirely unrelated to the University of Michigan except for the Complainant's affiliation with the University; and
  - 20 involved Respondents who are not students, faculty, or staff at UM, but the reported conduct had some connection to the University environment.
- 191 reports involved student Respondents;
- 258 involved staff Respondents;
- 96 involved faculty Respondents.

# Respondent Affiliation with U-M: FY24



#### What Happens When a Concern Is Reported?

When a matter is reported, ECRT conducts an initial assessment and outreach. The initial assessment includes:

- Assessing the nature of the allegations and party affiliation (if known from the report) to identify possible resolution options; and
- Assess and make any necessary reports to DPSS or other appropriate agencies.

Depending on the amount of information available in the report, initial outreach typically includes:

- Reporter
  - To confirm receipt of the report and seek additional information as necessary;
- Complainant
  - To provide information about supportive measures and resources;
  - To notify Complainant of options they have, such as seeking medical treatment, reporting to law enforcement, filing a Formal Complaint with ECRT, etc.;
  - o To notify the Complainant that Retaliation is prohibited;
  - To provide the Complainant with the Policy, Procedures, and other informational documents;
  - To request to meet with the Complainant to answer questions and learn more about the matter.

#### INITIAL ASSESSMENT

ECRT considers immediate safety issues, submits information to DPSS if a report contains information about a possible crime, and begins to consider possible next steps.





#### **OUTREACH**

ECRT contacts the Complainant if known, to provide information about resources, and supportive measures and to offer a meeting to explore resolution options.

#### RESOURCES AND SUPPORT

Regardless of whether a Complainant files a formal Complaint or participates in a resolution process, there are many people and resources on campus that can provide support and assistance. ECRT can connect the Complainant with resources and assist with supportive measures.





#### **RESOLUTION OPTIONS**

There are a variety of formal and informal resolution options that may be appropriate. ECRT explains the processes the Title IX Coordinator determined the appropriate action, with strong consideration given to the Complainant's wishes.

#### Modes of Addressing Reports

The University responded to all of the 983 reports it received. A critical part of ECRT's response to each report is providing involved individuals with information about resources, supportive measures, and resolution options.

In addition to supportive measures and resources, one or more of the following University resolution processes occurs in response to each report:

- Investigation;
  - Investigative Resolution under Student Procedures;
  - Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process under Employee Procedures;
  - Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process under Employee Procedures;
- Adaptable Resolution;
- Mediation (Employee Procedures only);
- Pre-Investigation Review; and/or Consultation/Referral/Other Remedies.

Which of the above actions are taken depends on factors such as:

- Whether the parties' identities are known;
- The nature of the Respondent's affiliation (if any) with the University;
  - Whether Respondent was subject to the Policy at the time of the alleged conduct;
  - Whether the University has the current ability to impose sanctions on the Respondent if it finds the Respondent has violated the Policy;
  - Whether the Student Procedures, Employee Procedures, or both may be applicable;
- Whether the Complainant responds to ECRT outreach, and what procedural option (if any) they request;
- If the Complainant does not elect to file a Formal Complaint, whether they are available and willing to participate in an ECRT investigation; and
- Whether the conduct as alleged would constitute a potential Policy violation.

# Reports Where the Parties' Identities Are Unknown to ECRT

In some cases, ECRT may not know the identities of the parties involved in a report. For example:

- Concerns may be reported anonymously;
- A third party may report concerns without identifying the complainant to ECRT;
- The Complainant may not know who engaged in the behavior at issue;
- The Complainant may choose not to identify the Respondent to ECRT if they do not want a University response to their concerns.

This year, the one or both parties' specific identities were unknown to ECRT in 432 of the 983 reports. In some instances, ECRT may have general information about a party, e.g., ECRT may receive a report about "a faculty member" but no additional identifying information.

In instances where one or both parties' identities are unknown to ECRT, ECRT tries to use the available information in order to, for example:

- Pass information to an unidentified Complainant, e.g., through a thirdparty reporter, to ensure Complainant has accurate information about resources, supportive measures, and reporting options;
- Address the reported behavior with the Respondent and provide education about University policy and expectations, even if the Complainant's identity is unknown;
- Seek additional information to identify the Respondent(s);
- Seek additional information to identify whether there may be a pattern of concern in an area of the University or regarding the particular Respondent.

These efforts may be a Consultation, Review, Referral, or Other Response.

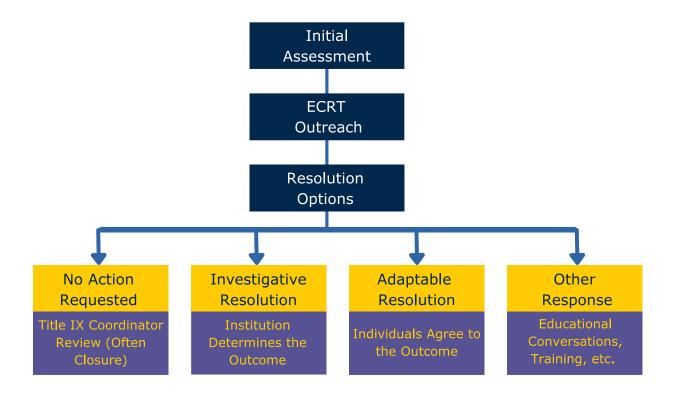
# Reports Where the Complainant Chooses Not to Pursue Any Action

In some cases, a complaint may elect not to engage with ECRT at all or may consider information about resolution options and determine that they do not wish for ECRT to take action in response to the concerns. While ECRT seeks to act consistently with any requests by the complainant as to the resolution process, in all instances ECRT must consider implications for the entire University community, including campus safety and the risk of future misconduct, as well as the University's legal obligations.

Accordingly, in some cases (particularly involving allegations of sexual misconduct by a University employee), the Title IX Coordinator may initiate a formal investigation, if there is sufficient information to do so, or other resolution option as may be feasible and appropriate depending on the amount of information available. If the Title IX Coordinator opens an investigation where the Complainant has declined to do so, ECRT informs the complainant, who may or may not elect to participate in the investigation process. A complainant is never compelled to participate in a process, and supportive measures remain available regardless of their decision. Likewise, Retaliation is prohibited regardless of the resolution action taken and whether the complainant chooses to participate.

#### Matters Involving Student Respondents

As noted above, the action taken to address a report is generally made after, and informed by, communication with the Complainant; review of whether there are prior reports involving the parties or of similar alleged conduct by the Respondent; possible patterns in an area, organization, or unit within the University; and consideration of whether the conduct constitutes a potential Policy violation, as alleged, or would be inappropriate but not specifically Prohibited Conduct.



In the 191 reports in which the Respondent was understood to be a current University of Michigan student, ECRT provided each identified Complainant with information about how to file a Formal Complaint, the availability of supportive measures, additional resources, and resolution options including reporting any possible criminal conduct to law enforcement. In instances where ECRT did not have access to the Complainant's identity but a person who may have reported the matter but declined to identify the Complainant to ECRT (and did not have an obligation under University policy to do so), ECRT requested the person to pass on the same information to the unidentified Complainant to ensure the Complainant received the information even if they did not interact with ECRT.

#### Formal Complaints

Of the 191 reports understood to involve a student Respondent:

- There were 17 matters in which a Formal Complaint was filed alleging conduct that would, if supported by evidence, constitute a Policy violation and requesting a formal resolution process (either an investigative resolution or an adaptable resolution);
  - In 12 cases, Complainant(s) initiated an Investigative Resolution;
  - In 2 cases, Complainant(s) filed a Formal Complaint to request an Adaptable Resolution, the Respondent agreed to participate in Adaptable Resolution, and the Title IX Coordinator approved the use of Adaptable Resolution;
  - In 3 cases, the Complainant(s) did not file a Formal Complaint but the Title IX Coordinator filed a Formal Complaint to initiate an Investigative Resolution.

It often is not legally permissible or possible for the University to proceed with an investigative resolution to reach a finding of a violation without the Complainant's participation in a live hearing when the Respondent is a student, and Adaptable Resolution is never an option without the parties' voluntary participation and the Title IX Coordinator's approval.

Accordingly, in the remaining cases - in which no Formal Complaint of a potential Policy violation was filed requesting an Investigative Resolution or Adaptable Resolution - other interventions or remedies (e.g., educational conversations with individuals, training efforts for a group of individuals) were used to address concerns where information was available and it was appropriate to do so.

	Investigative Resolution	Adaptable Resolution
Formal Complaint Required	Yes	Yes
Title IX Coordinator Approval Required	Yes	Yes
May be initiated by Title IX Coordinator without Complainant's request	Yes	No
May be initiated and compiled without Respondent's agreement/participation	Yes	No
Disciplinary/Non- Disciplinary	Disciplinary	Non-Disciplinary
Focus	Policy violation(s) supported by evidence	Harm
Purpose	Eliminate prohibited conduct, prevent its recurrence, remedy effects	Eliminate prohibited conduct, prevent its recurrence, remedy effects
Possible Outcomes	Violation found/sanctions; No violation finding/no sanctions	Parties agree on a resolution agreement; parties do not agree, and an investigation is opened; parties do not agree, and matter is closed

#### Why Aren't There More Student Investigations?

In this report, Investigation refers to a specific, formal resolution process through ECRT. It is important to understand that a formal Investigation is only one of many actions that may be requested to address a concern. Consistent with Title IX regulations, a Formal Complaint is required to initiate a formal Investigation. As discussed on pages 24-25, some complainants do not wish to pursue an investigation, and either or both parties may not even be identified to ECRT. As noted on page 27, there were 12 instances this year in which a complainant(s) filed a Formal Complaint containing allegations of a potential Policy violation(s) and requested an Investigative Resolution under the Student Procedures.

Under Title IX, a report from a third party is not a Formal Complaint. If the Complainant declines to files a Formal Complaint, the Title IX Coordinator may do so where appropriate. In instances where the complainant has requested that no Investigation be opened, for the Title IX Coordinator to file a Formal Complaint means that the Title IX Coordinator has determined:

 There is sufficient information to indicate a potential violation of the Policy;

#### and

- There is sufficient information and legal ability to complete the appropriate Investigation process to reach a determination as to whether the respondent violated the Policy; and
- There is a reason such as safety of the complainant, safety of the University community, the risk of future Prohibited Conduct, or other sufficient justification to override the complainant's request.

When the respondent is a student, it generally is not legally permissible or possible for the University to proceed with an investigative resolution to reach a finding of a violation without the Complainant's participation in a hearing when the respondent is a student. Accordingly, this year there were three instances in which the Title IX Coordinator determined it was appropriate to file a Formal Complaint under the Student Procedures where the Complainant did not do so. In addition, there were two instances in which the Complainant filed a Formal Complaint requesting action other than an Investigative or Adaptable Resolution, and action was taken accordingly.

#### Investigative Resolutions

An investigative resolution under the Student Procedures is appropriate when:

- The Respondent is a Student, as defined in the Policy; and
- The alleged conduct would constitute Prohibited Conduct, if supported by evidence; and
- The Complainant requests an investigative resolution; or
- The Complainant elects not to file a Formal Complaint but is willing to participate and submit to cross-examination at a hearing; and
- The Title IX Coordinator determines there is sufficient information to proceed and a Title IX or other obligation to do so.

The graphic below shows an overview of the investigative resolution process under the Student Procedures.

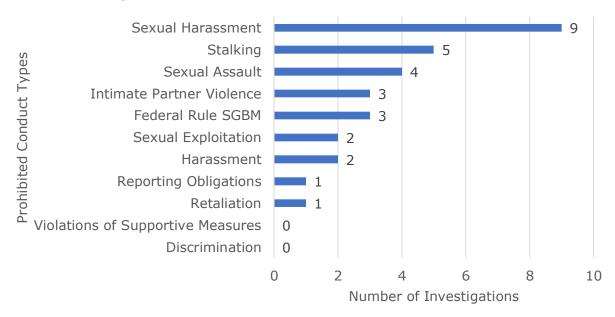
- Complainant meets with ECRT for a recorded interview
- Complainant shares information about their experience with Investigator, and investigator asks questions
- Complainant will have three calendar days to review statement summary + transcript
- Complainant can provide evidence at or following this interview
- Complainant or Title IX Coordinator files a Formal Complaint requesting Investigative Resolution
- Title IX Coordinator reviews within one business day
- Respondent is notified immediately upon receipt of a Formal Complaint and next steps
- 3 ECRT Meets with Respondent
- Respondent shares information about their experience with Investigator, and Investigator asks questions
- Respondent will have three calendar days to review statement summary + transcript
- Respondent can provide evidence at this or following this interview
- 4 ECRT interviews witnesses + gathers additional information
- Timing ranges from 1 week to 6 weeks
- Each Witness has three calendar days to respond to statement summary + transcript
- 5 Preliminary Report & Evidence File Review
- ECRT provides Complainant and Respondent with preliminary report, which includes all relevant information gathered by the Investigator
- Parties have 10 calendar days to respond
- Investigator reviews new information provided by parties and incorporates as appropriate

- 6 Pre-Hearing Meeting
- Occurs approximately 1-2 weeks after final report completion
- Complainant and Respondent meet separately with ECRT staff member & Hearing Officer to discuss the final report, logistics of the hearing, and remainder of process.
- 7 Hearing
- Hearings occur over Zoom
- The Hearing Officer and each party's advisor may ask questions of Complainant, Respondent, and/or Witnesses
- Complainants and Respondents never speak directly to one another
- 8 Hearing Outcome
- Communicated simultaneously to Complainant and Respondent within ideally within 30 days of hearing
- Potential outcomes -
  - Evidence supports that Respondent violated Policy
    - Sanctions are included in hearing outcome.
  - Evidence does not support that Respondent violated policy
- 9 Appeal
- Either party may (but is not required to) submit an appeal within 14 calendar days of receipt of Hearing Outcome
- Non-appealing party has 14 business days to respond
- External reviewer makes determination, to be approved by Vice President of Student Life

Of the 15 reports that proceeded to investigative resolution under the Student Procedures, some involved multiple allegations:

- 9 involved allegations of Sexual Harassment;
- 5 involved allegations of Sex and/or Gender-Based Stalking;
- 4 involved allegations of Sexual Assault;
- 3 also involved allegations of Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct;
- 3 involved allegations of Intimate Partner Violence;
- 2 involved allegations of Gender-Based Harassment;
- 2 involved allegations of Sexual Exploitation;
- 1 involved Sex and Gender-Based Reporting Obligations;
- 1 involved allegations of Retaliation;
- 0 involved allegations of Sex and Gender-Based Discrimination and
- 0 involved allegations of Violations of Supportive Measures

#### Investigative Resolution under the Student Procedures FY24



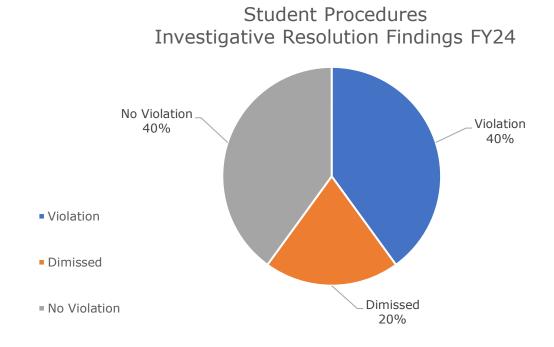
Of the 15 investigative resolutions under the Student Procedures during the relevant time period:

- 10 investigative resolution processes were proceeding in a pre-finding phase as of data gathering; in an additional two, sanctions and/or appeals were pending; and
- 5 were completed entirely as of data gathering for this report.

\*It generally is not legally permissible or possible for the University to proceed with an investigative resolution to reach a finding of a violation without the Complainant's participation in a hearing, when the Respondent is a student.

Of the 5 investigations that have been completed through finding, sanction(s), and appeals, as applicable:

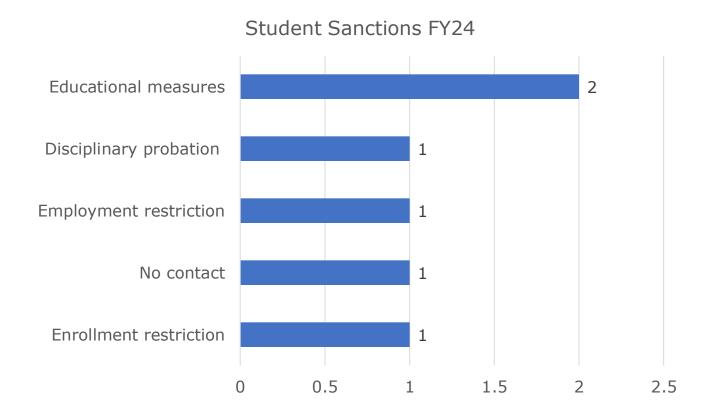
- 2 resulted in no Policy violations found;
- 2 resulted in a finding of a violation(s) of the Policy; and
- 1 was dismissed by the Title IX Coordinator at the Complainant's request.



#### **Sanctions**

When a Respondent is found to have violated the Policy, the Office of Student Conflict Resolution (OSCR) determines sanctions that are designed to eliminate the Prohibited Conduct, prevent its recurrence, and remedy its effects. The parties have an opportunity to submit an input statement before sanctions are determined by OSCR. The University generally imposes multiple sanctions on a Respondent who is found responsible for violating the Policy.

As noted above, a Respondent was found to have violated the Policy in two (40%) of the five investigative resolutions that were opened and completed through a finding, sanctions, and appeals in the past year. In one case, the sanctions involved disciplinary probation and educational measures. In the other case the sanctions involved employment restriction, enrollment restriction, and educational measures.



#### Additional Interventions to Remedy Discriminatory Efforts

In addition to sanctions imposed directly upon the Respondent, OSCR and/or the Title IX Coordinator may identify other interventions that the University can take to remedy the discriminatory effect that the Complainant, and/or other community members, have experienced as a result of the conduct found to have occurred. These may be interventions such as providing education to individuals or groups, restorative justice processes for impacted parties (offered for voluntary participation), or such other measures as may be appropriate under the circumstances.

#### Appeals

Both the Complainant and the Respondent have the opportunity to appeal the outcome of an Investigative Resolution and, if there was a finding that the Policy was violated, both parties may also appeal the sanctions.

Under the Policy, each appeal is considered by an external reviewer. The external reviewer then issues recommendations to the Vice President for Student Life, which the Vice President for Student Life may either accept or modify.

Either party can appeal the finding, the sanctions, or both. Of the matters reported during FY24 and completed at the time of data gathering for this report, no investigative resolution involved appeals.

# Adaptable Resolution

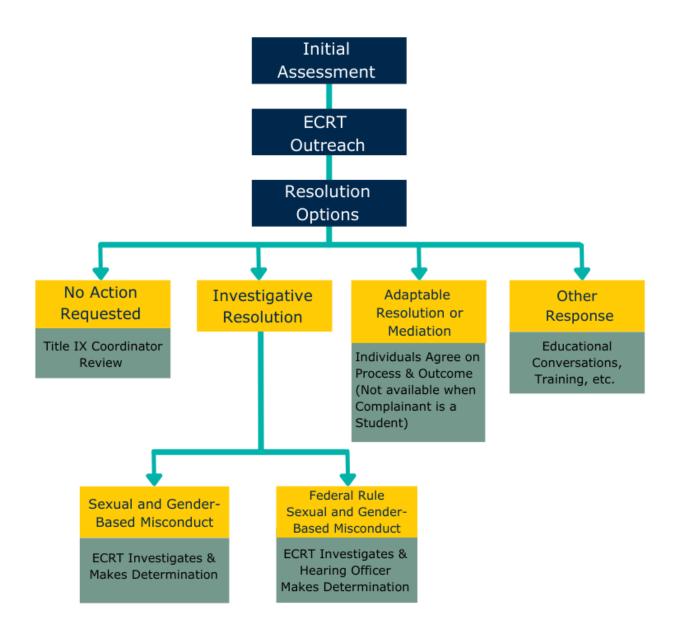
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- Voluntary;
- Remedies-based;
- Non-disciplinary;
- Structured in accordance with the needs of the parties;
- Designed to allow Respondent to acknowledge and repair (to the extent possible) harm; and
- Aimed toward creating an agreement that meets both parties' need to address harm and promote accountability.

The matters that proceeded to Adaptable Resolution this year involved allegations of Sexual Assault (1), Sexual harassment (1) and Retaliation (1) and in one matter the parties agreed to engage in Shuttle Negotiation; in the other matter, the parties completed a Facilitated Dialogue.

# Matters Involving Employee Respondents

As noted above, the action taken to address a report is generally made after, and based on, communication with the Complainant; review of whether there are prior reports involving the parties or of similar alleged conduct by the Respondent, possible patterns in an area, organization, or unit within the University; and consideration of whether the conduct constitutes a potential Policy violation, as alleged, or would be inappropriate but not specifically Prohibited Conduct.



### Formal Complaints

Of the 354 reports in which the Respondent was understood to be a current University of Michigan employee (faculty or staff),

- There were 27 matters in which a Formal Complaint was filed alleging conduct that would, if supported by evidence, constitute a Policy violation and opening an investigation:
  - o In 23 cases, Complainant(s) initiated an investigation; and
  - In 4 cases, the Complainant(s) did not file a Formal Complaint but the Title IX Coordinator filed a Formal Complaint to initiate an investigation.

An investigation was opened in each of the matters in which a Complainant(s) filed a Formal Complaint alleging conduct that would, if supported by evidence, constitute a Policy violation and requested an investigation, as well as those matters in which the Complainant did not file a Formal Complaint but the Title IX Coordinator initiated the opening of an investigation. It is possible and appropriate under some circumstances for the Title IX Coordinator to open an investigation without a Formal Complaint filed by a Complainant. This is common in matters where:

- Respondent's specific identity is known to ECRT;
- Respondent is a University employee;
- The conduct, as alleged, constitutes a potential Policy violation, and ECRT has, or has a reasonable mechanism to obtain, sufficient information to conduct a fair, thorough, and effective investigation.

# Why Aren't There More Employee Investigations?

In this report, Investigation refers to a specific, formal resolution process through ECRT. It is important to understand that a formal Investigation is only one of many actions that may be requested to address a concern. Consistent with Title IX regulations, a Formal Complaint is required to initiate a formal Investigation. The most common way a Formal Complaint is filed is by a complainant who is thereby requesting an Investigation under the applicable procedures. As discussed on pages 24-25, some complainants do not wish to pursue an investigation, and either or both parties may not even be identified to ECRT. As noted above, there were 27 instances this

year in which a complainant(s) or the Title IX Coordinator filed a Formal Complaint containing allegations of a potential Policy violation(s) and initiated an Investigative Resolution under the Employee Procedures.

Under Title IX, a report from a third party is not a Formal Complaint. If the Complainant declines to files a Formal Complaint, the Title IX Coordinator may do so where appropriate. In instances where the complainant has requested that no Investigation be opened, for the Title IX Coordinator to file a Formal Complaint means that the Title IX Coordinator has determined:

 There is sufficient information to indicate a potential violation of the Policy;

#### and

- There is sufficient information and legal ability to complete the appropriate Investigation process to reach a determination regarding responsibility under the Policy; and
- There is a reason such as safety of the complainant, safety of the University community, the risk of future Prohibited Conduct, or other sufficient justification to override the complainant's request.

Generally, where the concerns involve potential misconduct by a University faculty or staff member, if the first two criteria above are met, the Title IX Coordinator files a Formal Complaint to initiate an Investigation. As noted on page 38, this year, four of the 27 Investigations under the Employee Procedures were initiated by the Title IX Coordinator filing a Formal Complaint, and 23 were initiated by the complainant.

### **Investigations**

It is sometimes possible, but often is not feasible, for the University to proceed with an Investigation to reach a finding of a violation without the Complainant's participation in an Investigation and/or hearing when the Respondent is an employee.

An Investigation under the Employee Procedures is appropriate when:

- The Respondent is an Employee; and
- The alleged conduct would constitute Prohibited Conduct, if supported by evidence; and
- The Complainant requests an investigation; or
- The Complainant elects not to file a Formal Complaint but is willing to participate; and
- The Title IX Coordinator determines there is sufficient information to proceed and a Title IX or other obligation to do so.

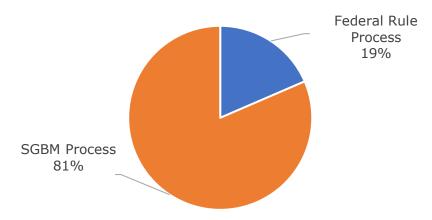
As a result of federal Title IX regulations implemented by the Department of Education in 2020, there are two investigation processes under the Employee Procedures:

- Other Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process ("Process A");
- Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process (Process B").

Of the 27 investigations conducted under the Employee Procedures:

- 22 were conducted under the Other Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process ("Process A");
- 5 were conducted under the Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process ("Process B").





	Other SGBM Process	Federal Rule SGBM Process
Applicability	Conduct at issue, as alleged, constituted Prohibited Conduct but not Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct	Conduct at issue, as alleged, constituted Prohibited Conduct & at least one allegation constitutes Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct
Investigation	Conducted by ECRT or other investigators as designated by Title IX Coordinator	Conducted by ECRT or other investigators as designated by Title IX Coordinator
Parties have opportunity to provide & identify evidence & potential witnesses	Yes	Yes
Investigator, not parties, responsible for identifying and obtaining all relevant & available evidence	Yes	Yes
Parties have opportunity to review all evidence prior to a determination being reached	Yes	Yes
Review of Report by Title IX Coordinator or designee	Yes	Yes
Live hearing with cross-examination	No	Yes
Decision-maker	ECRT	Hearing Officer

Possible Outcomes	Violation; no violation; no violation but other inappropriate behavior found	Violation; no violation; no violation but other inappropriate behavior found
<b>Corrective Action</b>	Determined by applicable supervisory authority	Determined by applicable supervisory authority
Appeals of Determination as to Responsibility	Yes	Yes
Resulting disciplinary action subject to Applicable Grievance Procedures	Yes	Yes

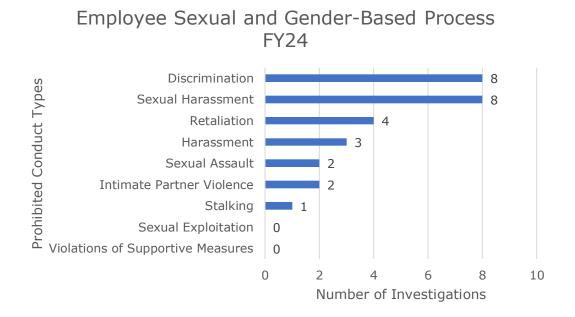
#### Other Sexual & Gender-Based Misconduct Process

As noted in the preceding table, the Other Sexual and Gender-Based Process is used when none of the alleged conduct would constitute Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct, either because it does not fit the specific conduct definitions or because certain specific circumstances do not apply.

Of the 22 investigations conducted under the Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process:

- 8 involved an allegation(s) of Sex and Gender-Based Discrimination
- 8 involved an allegation(s) of Sexual Harassment;
- 4 involved an allegation(s) of Retaliation;
- 3 involved an allegation(s) of Gender-Based Harassment
- 2 involved an allegation(s) of Intimate Partner Violence
- 2 involved an allegation(s) of Sexual Assault; and
- 1 involved an allegation(s) on Sex/Gender-Based Stalking.

None of the matters addressed using the Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process involved allegations of Sexual Exploitation, or Violation of Supportive Measures.

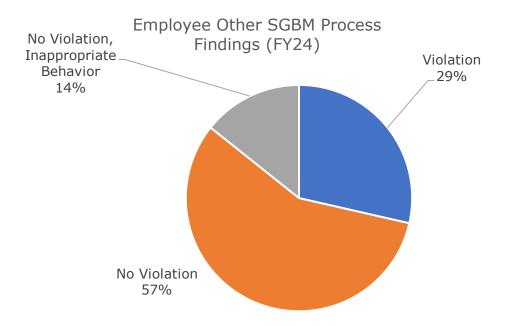


Of the 22 investigations conducted using the Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process of the Employee Procedures during the relevant time period:

- 7 have been completed with a determination regarding responsibility;
- 14 were pending at the time of data compilation;
- 1 was closed where, during the process, the Respondent's employment ended, and they are ineligible for re-hire at the University.

Of the 7 investigations that have been completed to a determination regarding responsibility:

- 4 resulted in no Policy violations or other inappropriate behavior found;
- 3 resulted in a finding of at least one Policy violation or other inappropriate behavior;
  - 2 resulted in a finding of at least one Policy violation;
  - 1 resulted in no Policy violations, but other inappropriate behavior found.



# **Appeals**

Under the Employee procedures effective October 1, 2021, the Complainant and the Respondent have the opportunity to appeal the determination regarding responsibility in the Other Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process.

Under the Policy, each appeal is considered by an external reviewer who may either uphold the finding or remand the matter back to ECRT for further proceedings.

Of the matters reported during FY24 and completed under the Employee Procedures, Other Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process to date, one appeal was filed. In that matter, the Respondent appealed the finding of a violation, and the violation finding was upheld on appeal.

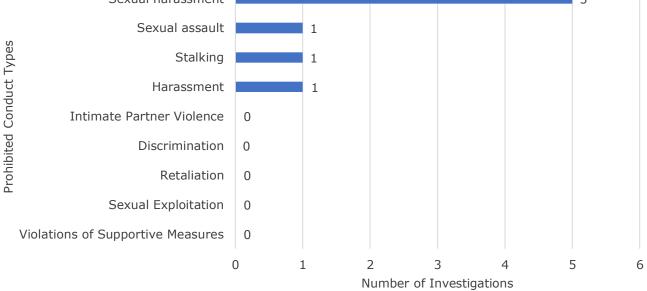
# Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process

As noted in the preceding table, the Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process is used when an investigation involves one or more allegations that may constitute Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct. Accordingly, all 5 involved allegations of Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct, and:

- 5 involved allegations of Sexual Harassment;
- 1 involved allegations of Sexual Assault;
- 1 involved allegations of Stalking; and
- 1 involved allegations of Sex/Gender-Based Harassment.

None of the investigations conducted using the Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process involved allegations of Intimate Partner Violence, Sexual Exploitation, Gender-Based Discrimination, Retaliation, or Violation of Supportive Measures.





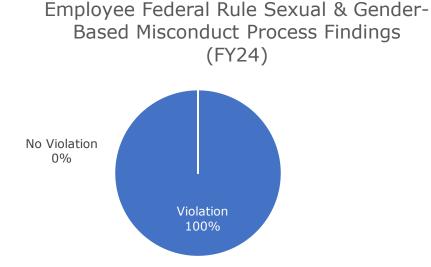
Of the 5 investigations conducted using the Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process of the Employee Procedures during the relevant time period:

- 2 investigations/hearing were proceeding; and
- 1 had been completed with a determination regarding responsibility at the time of data gathering for this report.
- 2 investigations were dismissed by the Title IX Coordinator before a
  determination of responsibility was made. In both cases, the reason
  for the dismissal was the Respondent's termination and ineligibility for
  re-hire, due to reasons unrelated to the ECRT process, while the
  process was pending.

Of the 1investigations/hearings that have been completed to a determination regarding responsibility:

- 0 resulted in no Policy violations or other inappropriate behavior found;
- 1 resulted in a finding of at least one Policy violation.

There were no findings of inappropriate behavior but no policy violation.



# Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process – Appeals

Both the Complainant and the Respondent have the opportunity to appeal the determination regarding responsibility in the Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process.

Under the Policy, each appeal is considered by an external reviewer who may either uphold the finding or remand the matter back to ECRT and/or the Hearing Officer, as appropriate, for further proceedings.

 Of the matters reported during FY24 and completed under the Federal Rule Sexual and Gender-Based Misconduct Process to date, no appeals were filed.

#### Corrective Action

When a Respondent is found to have violated the Policy, the Respondent's supervisor(s) or other appropriate University administrator(s) determines corrective action that is designed to eliminate the Prohibited Conduct, prevent its recurrence, and remedy its effects.

In the one matter in which a Respondent was found to have engaged in a Policy violation or other inappropriate behavior through either investigative process under the Employee Procedures, corrective action has been taken in the matter. In some instances, the initial corrective action is a referral to a disciplinary review conference, or other applicable proceeding to determine further actions imposed. Where a disciplinary review conference has been completed and resulted in additional actions, the resulting actions are listed rather than the referral to a disciplinary review conference.

• In the one instance in which the Respondent has left their employment at the University, the respondent was designated ineligible for re-hire.

#### Adaptable Resolution

Adaptable Resolution is another formal resolution pathway that is available by request of one or both parties, voluntarily entered into by all participating parties, and approved by the Title IX Coordinator. Adaptable Resolution is:

- Voluntary;
- Remedies-based;
- Non-disciplinary;
- Structured in accordance with the needs of the parties;
- Designed to allow Respondent to acknowledge and repair (to the extent possible) harm; and
- Aimed toward creating an agreement that meets both parties' need to address harm and promote accountability.

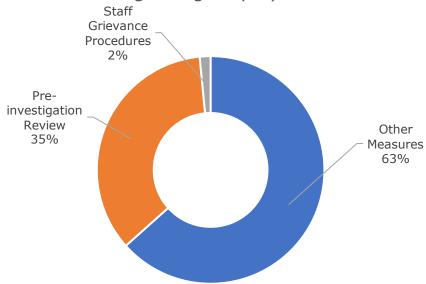
The matters that proceeded to Adaptable Resolution this year involved allegations of Gender-Based Harassment (Gender Identity) (1) and Gender-Based Harassment (Sexual Orientation) (1). In both matters the parties agreed to engage in Shuttle Negotiation.

# Other Responses to Reports Regarding Employees

In the 325 remaining matters involving allegations against an employee:

- 206 matters were consultations, meaning the report resulted in some other action, or insufficient information was available to proceed with additional action;
- 114 reports resulted in a Pre-Investigation Review, which is when ECRT does not have sufficient information to initiate a formal Investigation, so ECRT takes significant additional steps to gather additional information in order to determine whether an investigation may be possible and appropriate, and ultimately, there is not enough information available or the information gathered during the review does not suggest a potential violation of the Policy;
- 5 were resolved through the staff grievance procedure (SPG 201.08).





# Matters Involving Third Party Respondents

ECRT received 397 reports that either involved Respondents who are not University students or employees, or in which ECRT did not have sufficient information regarding the Respondent's identity or affiliation status to determine whether and how the Respondent may be affiliated.

ECRT reviewed and responded to each of these 397 reports with appropriate mechanisms available, based on the nature and extent of the information provided to ECRT, in order to: address the concerns; prevent Prohibited Conduct; and remedy any impact on individuals or the broader community including through supportive measures and other resources.

The following table shows action that may be generally available for the University to address concerns involving unaffiliated Respondents under particular circumstances.

Respondent (R)	Circumstance s of Incident	Example	Availability of investigation	Availability of Supportive Measures	Other Possible Action
Previously but not currently affiliated	Occurred while R was affiliated	<ul> <li>An alumnus contacts ECRT and reports that another alumnus sexually assaulted them while both were students:</li> <li>A former student contacted ECRT and alleges that a faculty member harassed them when they were a student, and the faculty member has since retired</li> </ul>	Typically, not feasible (limited to no ability to impose sanctions; may not have contact information to allow Respondent to participate in a fair and meaningful investigation)	Yes	Referral to law enforcement if criminal conduct is alleged
Previously but not currently affiliated	Occurred while R was not affiliated	A community member reports that a former U-M student sexually assaulted them recently, and the former student graduated prior to the incident	No. R was not subject to the Policy	Yes	Referral to other entity (e.g. R's home institution, law enforcement , etc.

Respondent (R)	Circumstance s of Incident	• Example	Availability of investigation	Availability of Supportive Measures	Other Possible Action
Not affiliated	Occurred on campus or in a University program or activity	<ul> <li>An unaffiliated third party reportedly engages in stalking of a University employee, including showing up to the employee's on-campus office</li> <li>A speaker invited by a student organization to come to campus reportedly engaged in gender-based harassment of students and staff while on campus for the event</li> </ul>	May or may not be feasible (limited to no ability to impose sanctions; may not have contact information to allow R to participate in a fair and meaningful investigation)	Supportive measures and campus resources if C is participating in a University program or activity Resources referral whether C is affiliated with U-M or not	Referral to other entity (e.g. R's home institution, law enforcement , etc.
Not affiliated	Did not occur in a University program or activity	<ul> <li>A report that a student was sexually assaulted by an unaffiliated third party while home during winter break</li> <li>A report that an employee's unaffiliated partner is arrested for domestic violence</li> </ul>	May or may not be feasible (limited to no ability to impose sanctions; may not have contact information to allow R to participate in a fair and meaningful investigation)	Supportive measures and campus resources if C is participating in a University program or activity Resources referral whether C is affiliated with U-M or not	Referral to other entity (e.g. R's home institution, law enforcement , etc.

# Resources for Support

# What Support Is Available at the University?

- Designated Confidential Resources are available within the community to offer supportive and other services, including consultation about reporting options on a confidential basis.
  - Confidential Resources may not share information disclosed to them except with permission of the person who shared the information or in limited health and safety circumstances.
  - Confidential Resources include the
    - Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness Center;
    - Counseling and Psychological Services;
    - Faculty and Staff Counseling and Consultation Office;
    - the Office of Counseling and Workplace Resilience;
    - <u>University Health Service</u>; and others.
- Non-Confidential Resources are also available to offer supportive and other services but are not Confidential and some employees in these offices may be obligated to report (see page 11).
- The Policy identifies a variety of Confidential and Non-confidential Resources available to members of the University community.

# Supportive Measures

Supportive measures are available to all parties, regardless of whether the matter is reported, a Formal Complaint is filed, or the party participates in a resolution process.

#### Supportive measures are:

- Individualized services, accommodations, other assistance;
- Provided by the University;
- Free of charge;
- Available to all parties;
- Available regardless of whether a matter is reported;
- Available with or without a Formal Complaint;
- Not punitive or disciplinary in nature;
- Not an unreasonable burden upon another party;

• Designed to restore or preserve equal access to the University's Programs and Activities, protect the safety of all parties and the University's educational environment, and/or deter Prohibited Conduct.

The following table displays some examples of Supportive Measures. This table is not exhaustive, and as Supportive Measures are individualized, parties are encouraged to identify any Supportive Measures needs they may have to ECRT, or an applicable Confidential Resource (e.g., SAPAC) to explore what measures may be available to meet their needs. Additionally, a particular Supportive Measure may not be appropriate in all instances, and Supportive Measures can be implemented in combination.

Type of Supportive Measure	Example of Supportive Measure
Academic	Ability to: re-schedule classes, exams, and assignments; transfer course sections; modify an academic schedule; or withdraw from a class; leaves of absence
University Employment	Modification of work schedule or location or job assignment; leaves of absence
Housing	Changes in University Housing location; provision of temporary emergency University housing, assistance securing temporary off-campus housing or finding other off-campus housing
Counseling Services	On-campus counseling services (CAPS, SAPAC, FASSCO, OCWR, etc.); assistance connecting to community -based counseling services
Security	Increased monitoring of particular areas of campus; an escort to ensure safe movement on campus; temporarily limiting an individual's access to certain University facilities or activities, as appropriate
Medical	Assistance connecting to community-based medical services; reassignment of patient to another provider
Contact	Contact restriction through ECRT (typically mutual); assistance seeking a personal protection order through the court system; an instruction from DPSS to cease contact with another individual

This year, ECRT approved at least 58 specific supportive measures, which does not include Supportive Measures arranged by other offices or granted without the need for assistance from ECRT:

- 28 mutual no contact restrictions;
- 14 employment accommodations;
- 10 academic accommodations;
- 4 Housing accommodations; and
- 2 extracurricular accommodations

Referrals and connections to other resources, both internal and external to the University, are not included in the data above regarding Supportive Measures, since all parties ECRT contacts are referred to resources.

# Conclusion

For more information, including definitions, resources, and a more detailed overview of the processes used to address sexual misconduct concerns involving faculty, staff and third parties, please visit the <a href="ECRT Title IX Office">ECRT Title IX Office</a> website or the University's <a href="Sexual Misconduct Reporting & Resources">Sexual Misconduct Reporting & Resources</a> website.

Finally, as noted above, we welcome any feedback on how we might make this document more helpful, easier to understand, or otherwise improve its content. Please provide any feedback to the Title IX Coordinator:

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