Procedures for Reporting

All reports will be taken seriously. Upon receipt of a report, the University will review the report and the allegations and conduct the applicable investigation, which will typically involve speaking with the reporter and the individual(s) involved in the alleged conduct and providing them with the opportunity to tell their side of the story. At the conclusion of investigation, the reporter and the individual alleged to have engaged in the conduct will be advised of the determination and general outcome. The resolution of complaints may involve informal and/or formal measures as appropriate, consistent with policy, procedure and processes governing complaints, resolution and discipline as set forth in the Student Manual, Faculty Handbook and Staff policies, as applicable.

The purpose of this policy is to address and prevent prohibited conduct and therefore, while an individual engaged in prohibited conduct in violation of this policy may be subject to discipline, not all conduct will ultimately result in discipline and other resolutions may be determined to be appropriate under the totality of the circumstances.

All members of the University community are expected to cooperate with and participate in any inquiries and investigation conducted.

The University may provide interim measures as necessary, appropriate and available, to an individual involved a report made pursuant to this policy. Interim measures may be put in place prior to or while an investigation is pending and/or ongoing. It may be appropriate for the University to take interim measures during the investigation of a complaint absent a request by either party. Interim measures must be coordinated with and approved by the appropriate University departments, including, but not limited to, the Office of the Dean of Students, Human Resources, Department of Public Safety and Security, or Judicial Affairs.