# Reporting Romantic and Sexual Relationships in the <del>Instructional</del> <del>and</del> Supervisory Setting

## Scope: Who is Covered by this Policy?

**Employees and Students** 

## Policy

Instructional, unclassified administrative and classified staff, and graduate students may not exercise academic authority or other University responsibility or authority over persons with whom they have a romantic or sexual relationship. "Academic authority" includes assigning grades, serving as an academic advisor, sitting on a thesis or dissertation committee, or otherwise exercising decision-making power that affects a student's academic record, academic benefits, or progress toward graduation.

Instructional, unclassified administrative and classified staff, and graduate students may not exercise supervisory responsibility or other University responsibility or authority over personsfamily members or other employees with whom they have a romantic or sexual relationship. "Supervisory responsibility" includes any relationship wherein one person has the power or authority to alter or influence the responsibilities, duties, terms, and/or conditions of employment of another. Those with "supervisory responsibility" as used in this policy are not limited to direct or first-line supervisors.

Relationships covered by this policy include, but are not limited to, relationships between administrative faculty and staff, faculty and student, coach or other athletic staff member and student, graduate student and undergraduate student, post-doctoral scholar/researcher and student, st

## **Policy Administration**

Next Review Date

7/1/2023

#### **Responsible Officers**

- Associate Vice President for Human Resources
- Assistant Provost for Academic Personnel
- Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
- Senior Vice President for Finance and Business Services

### Legal Authority

Not Applicable.

#### **Compliance Policy**

No

**Recent Revision History** 

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#### **Reviewing Bodies**

- Associate Vice President for Human Resources
- Assistant Provost for Academic Personnel
- University Senate
- Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
- Senior Vice President for Finance and Business Services