

MEMORANDUM

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Title IX Coordination and Collaboration

Building upon the Utah System of Higher Education's (USHE) ongoing efforts to coordinate and collaborate with Title IX coordinators under Board Policy 262, *Student Safety*, USHE has recently assigned Associate General Counsel Alison Adams-Perlac to work with system Title IX coordinators.

USHE and the Title IX coordinators currently meet monthly, and the Title IX coordinators have been sharing ideas through that meeting about how USHE can best support their work.

USHE has recently created a form bank that will allow Title IX coordinators to share forms and templates, as well as a shared communication channel that will allow Title IX coordinators to collaborate with each other and USHE including, sharing case law and other legal and regulatory updates, seeking feedback from each other on challenging or novel issues, etc.

USHE is also working to connect with Utah's law schools to explore pathways for law students to complete internships in Title IX offices across the state to help support the investigation, process advising, and decision-making roles. Additionally, USHE is working to ensure that job openings in these offices are advertised to students whose professional interests align with this work. We expect to have initial meetings coordinated during March 2022.

Finally, USHE is exploring ideas related to institutions partnering for increased training and investigation support.

Commissioner's Recommendation

This is an information item only; no action is required.