Community Engagement Plan for the Action Collaborative on Preventing Sexual Harassment in Higher Education

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A private research university with more than 17,000 students from around the world, the University of Miami is focused on creating a future that cuts across geographic, cultural, and intellectual borders. The University comprises 11 schools and colleges serving undergraduate and graduate students in more than 180 majors and programs across multiple university campuses, primarily: Coral Gables Campus, Miller Campus, Rosenstiel Marine and Atmospheric Science campus, and Medical Regional Campuses.

Given the University’s unique geographical framework, the university’s focus through its partnership with the NASEM Action Collaborative will be on how to engage groups across the organization. Specifically, the University will work to:

- Strengthen collaborative relationship between the central Title IX Office and Area Deputy Title IX Coordinators/ Liaisons for each campus/school by setting quarterly meetings to identify specific needs and how to address them.
- Review printed and online materials to ensure applicability across university campuses and the community, including development of campus specific materials as needed.
- Review distribution plan of TIX Office promotional/education materials to ensure reach across university campuses.
- Set master Title IX Office calendar to include at least one in-person awareness event on each campus per semester.
- Expand the University’s It’s on Us Ambassador Program/Campaign through recruitment of campus volunteers to reach increased engagement within the Law School, Medical School, Marine and Atmospheric Science School, and regional campuses.
- Review Campus Climate Survey and mandatory online trainings to ensure applicability across university campuses (rather than blanket approach).
- Continue to work through the Title IX Committee and President’s Coalition for Sexual Violence Prevention and Education to track these efforts across campuses and also ensure cohesiveness in approach across the University.
- Generate an annual report summarizing and identifying areas of continued growth.
- Engage actively in the NASEM Action Collaborative to share updates on Engagement Plan and receive feedback/ consider ideas that have proven successful at member institutions.