

## **Disclosure of Student Disciplinary Records**

Student Disciplinary Records are considered “education records” and are protected as such by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Certain student disciplinary records can be disclosed, however, without student consent. According to the Department of Education, “A postsecondary institution may disclose to an alleged victim of any crime of violence or non-forcible sex offense the final results of a disciplinary proceeding conducted by the institution against the alleged perpetrator of that crime, regardless of whether the institution concluded a violation was committed. An institution may disclose to anyone – not just the victim – the final results of a disciplinary proceeding, if it determines that the student is an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence or non-forcible sex offense, and with respect to the allegation made against him or her, the student has committed a violation of the institution’s rules or policies.” (Department of Education: [Balancing Student Privacy and School Safety: A Guide to the Family Educational Rights and privacy Act for Colleges and Universities](#))

According to the Department of Education, “an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence is a student who is alleged to have committed acts that would, if proven, constitute any of the following offenses or attempts to commit the following offenses.” arson, assault offences, burglary, criminal homicide – manslaughter by negligence, criminal homicide – murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, destruction/damage/vandalism of property, kidnapping/abduction, robbery, and forcible sex offenses. An alleged perpetrator of a nonforcible sex offense means a student who is alleged to have committed acts that, if proven, would constitute statutory rape or incest. (Federal Register July 6, 2000, Volume 65, Number 130)

Persons who seek information regarding student disciplinary records maintained by Northern Arizona University that meet the aforementioned definitions, may do so in writing with the Office of Student Life, Room 105 University Union, P.O. Box 6015, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona 86011.