

COORDINATORS MODULE • QUIZ

Supportive Measures

You are the Title IX Coordinator. Review your recent interactions with three different students. For each interaction, identify what (if anything) you should have done differently.

Isabel

You meet with Isabel, a sophomore in the College of Fine Arts whose relationship with her boyfriend has been volatile and occasionally violent.

Isabel is in the Honors Program, but over the last quarter, her grades have suffered due to stress, and she missed a significant number of classes while trying to get a restraining order.

Academic accommodations might help. You give Isabel the email address of the academic advisor assigned to the Fine Arts department and say, “I strongly encourage you to contact Ms. Park. And if she has any questions, she can feel free to call me. I wish you all the best, and if you ever have another situation like this again, please remember that our door is always open.”

Connor

Following a sexually abusive hazing incident, Connor, a first-year student is deeply depressed and close to failing multiple classes in his demanding architecture program.

Knowing the situation is dire, you call the chair of the program directly.

“Look,” you say, “this kid was sodomized with a broom handle in front of twenty people and then forced to lick his own excrement off it. He’s having nightmares and panic attacks and can’t maintain an erection with his girlfriend. Connor deserves all the help he can get, and I need you to waive some program requirements until the anti-anxiety meds that his psychiatrist has prescribed can kick in and get him stabilized.”

Jamie

Jamie, a continuing education student, is disturbed that a fellow student whom they briefly dated keeps popping up at their classes and other campus locations that they frequent.

They want a no-contact order put in place.

“There are lots of things we can do right now to support you,” you explain. “I will instruct our campus safety personnel to check in on you regularly. And if you ever decide to file a Formal Complaint, we absolutely can issue a no-contact order. But I can’t do anything that restricts another student’s rights if no formal allegations have been made against them. Please take all the time you need to think about it and let me know what you decide.”