VERMONT STATE COLLEGES
CHANCELLOR’S PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICY 311-A: NCAA SEXUAL VIOLENCE PROCEDURES

I.  PURPOSE

The following procedures outline the disclosures required of all incoming, continuing and transfer student-athletes to an institution within the Vermont State Colleges System (hereinafter “College”) in accordance with the NCAA Board of Governors Policy on Campus Sexual Violence.

II.  SCOPE

These procedures apply to all student-athletes.

III.  DEFINITIONS

As defined by the NCAA Board of Governors Policy on Campus Sexual Violence the following definitions apply to these procedures.

A. Interpersonal Violence

"Interpersonal violence" means any violence that is predominantly caused due to the relationship between the victim and the perpetrator, including dating and domestic violence.

B. Sexual Violence

"Sexual violence" means both forcible and nonforcible sex offenses, ranging from sexual battery to rape.

C. Other Acts of Violence

"Other acts of violence" means crimes including murder, manslaughter, aggravated assault, or any assault that employs the use of a deadly weapon or causes serious bodily injury.

IV.  PROCEDURES

A. Required Student-Athlete Disclosures

All incoming, continuing and transfer student-athletes shall complete an annual disclosure identifying any conduct that resulted in discipline being imposed upon them through a Title IX proceeding or a criminal conviction for sexual, interpersonal or other acts of violence.

Transfer student-athletes also must disclose whether they were the subject of a Title IX proceeding at the time of transfer, including any incomplete or otherwise unresolved proceedings.
B. Disclosure Schedule

All incoming and transfer student-athletes must submit a completed Student-Athlete Attestation Form to the College prior to participation in any team related practice or competition.

All current College student-athletes must annually submit a completed Student-Athlete Attestation Form to the College during the academic year.

C. Information Sharing among NCAA Institutions

In a manner consistent with federal and state law, all NCAA member institutions must share with any member institution to which a student-athlete is transferring the results of any disciplinary action taken against the transferring student-athlete and whether there were any pending or unresolved Title IX proceedings against the transferring student-athlete.

The College shall take reasonable steps to confirm whether incoming, continuing and transfer student-athletes have been disciplined through a Title IX proceeding or criminally convicted of sexual, interpersonal or other acts of violence.

D. Responsive Action

Failure to make a full and accurate disclosure could result in penalties, including loss of eligibility to participate in athletics, as determined by the member institution.

E. Review Process

Athletics Department leadership, or their designee, shall gather information that reasonably yields information from the former institution(s) concerning whether a student-athlete left the institution with an incomplete Title IX proceeding, was disciplined through a Title IX proceeding, or has a criminal conviction for sexual, interpersonal or other acts of violence.

In the event of a positive report, Athletic Department leadership, or their designee, shall forward the matter to the College’s Student Conduct Code process for review, evaluation, and adjudication.

Inquiries regarding Title IX or criminal histories may be submitted to the College’s Athletics Department.

Signed by:

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