

# Harassment, Sexual Misconduct, and Discrimination Policy

The Culinary Institute of America (CIA) is committed to providing a working and learning environment free from harassment. Members of the CIA community, guests, and visitors have the right to be free from any form of harassment (which includes sexual misconduct and sexual harassment) or discrimination; all are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that does not infringe upon the rights of others.

The Culinary Institute of America prohibits harassment against individuals on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, disability, age, genetic information, marital status, veteran status, ancestry, or national or ethnic origin, or any protected group or classification under federal or state laws. These principles also apply to admissions, financial aid, academic matters, career services, counseling, housing, employment policies, scholarship programs, medical services, and all other programs and activities available at the CIA.

Members of the CIA community, guests, and visitors who believe that he or she has been or is being subjected to a form of harassment is strongly urged to use the resolution procedures described in this policy.

The Culinary Institute of America's Harassment, Sexual Misconduct, and Discrimination Policy is consistent with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, and other applicable state or federal law. In some instances, this policy will be amended to extend beyond federal protections when state laws or statutes (such as California's Leonard's Law) provide compelling reasons to do so.

## Complaint, Reporting, and Resolution Procedures

Procedures for reporting, filing a complaint and resolution are outlined on the [Title IX at the CIA](#) page. The Harassment, Sexual Misconduct, and Discrimination Policy can be found at [www.ciachef.edu/consumer-information](http://www.ciachef.edu/consumer-information) on the Consumer Information page.