



## Student Field Safety Rights

Fieldwork environments are an extension of on-campus work, and adherence to a professional code of conduct is absolutely required. All GI field participants are required to report Title IX violations. If you or someone in your group needs to discuss or report an incident that has occurred while on a recent trip, please use the following contact numbers:

UAF Title IX Campus Advocate: 907-474-6360, [uafadvocate@iacnvl.org](mailto:uafadvocate@iacnvl.org)

UAF Title IX Office: 907-474-6360, <http://www.uaf.edu/titleix/report>

Jami Warrick, Geophysical Institute Operations Manager: 907-474-7411, [jfwarrick@alaska.edu](mailto:jfwarrick@alaska.edu)

### Students have the right:

- A) To be informed about the plans, nature of work and risks involved with the remote fieldwork in which they will be participating.
- B) To express concerns about their safety and comfort, and that of the team. (e.g. dangerous camping sites, inadequate rest or sleep, inadequate bear-safe practices, etc.).
- C) To refuse to do activities they feel are unsafe or they are not comfortable with. (e.g. fly in bad weather, drive an ATV without training, cross a glacial stream, ascend a snow slope under avalanche conditions, etc.).
- D) To safe accommodations with whom they are comfortable. (e.g. students should not be required to share accommodations (like a tent) with a person with whom they are not comfortable).
- E) To a social environment that would be acceptable in a classroom setting. (e.g. jokes, language and behavior not acceptable on campus are not acceptable off campus).
- F) To reasonable attempts to provide adequate shelter, equipment and food. (e.g. students should not be required to go without meals and sleep in leaky tents for budgetary reasons) .
- G) To not be left alone in remote field settings if not desired. (e.g. students should not be required to spend time sampling out of line of sight of others unless the student feels comfortable doing so).
- H) To carry and use remote field safety equipment, including communication devices. (e.g. students should be given access to bear spray, mosquito netting, etc, and – if available – satellite phones and SPOT-type trackers).
- I) To request and obtain training for field safety issues and tasks from the PI (e.g. bear safety training, self-defense training, glacier training, scientific equipment use, etc.).
- J) To be evacuated at no cost, if the student feels a Title VII or Title IX violation has occurred and wants to return to town for safety reasons and/or to file a complaint. (e.g. harassed because of gender, belittled because of religious background or nationality, sexual harassment, etc.).
- K) To be evacuated at no cost, if the student feels they are experiencing a medical emergency (e.g. the flu, sprained ankle, broken leg, etc.).
- L) All of these field safety rights shall be exercised without retaliation or adverse effect on the student's academic progress.
- M) All of these field safety rights apply to any UAF participants in the field party.

If you feel a need to contact someone outside of your party to report/discuss a possible field safety issue/Title IX or Title IX violation please contact Jami Warrick, GI Field Safety-Operations Manager, 907-474-7411, [jfwarrick@alaska.edu](mailto:jfwarrick@alaska.edu) . In addition please contact Jami on your return to report-discuss any concerns. There is no concern too small, so feel free to contact the GI field safety officer while you are in the field or back on campus to discuss your concerns.

**Front and back of Students Rights Card: Located in each communication device case.**

**Students have the Field Safety right (UAF Dispatch Ph# 907-474-7721):**

- A) To be informed about the plans, nature of work and the risks involved with remote fieldwork.
- B) To express any general concerns about their safety and comfort, or that of the team.
- C) To safe accommodations with whom they are comfortable.
- D) To a social environment with which they are comfortable.
- E) To reasonable attempts to provide adequate shelter, equipment and food.
- F) To not be left alone in remote field settings if not desired.
- G) To carry remote field safety equipment, including communication devices.
- H) To request and obtain training if available.
- I) To be evacuated at no cost, if the student feels a Title VII or Title IX violation has occurred and wants to return to town for safety reasons and/or to file a complaint.
- J) To be evacuated at no cost, if the student feels they are experiencing a medical emergency.
- K) To refuse to do activities they feel are unsafe or they are uncomfortable with.
- L) To exercise all of the above without retaliation or adverse effect on academic progress.

**GI Field Safety Officer Jami Warrick 907-474-7411**

Everyone at UAF has the right to be free from discrimination, unlawful harassment, sexual misconduct and violence. Student and employees are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that does not infringe upon the rights of others. Violations will result in serious sanctions.

All staff and faculty have the responsibility for helping make UAF a safe and welcoming community. If you know of an incident of sexual misconduct, you must report it to a member of the Title IX team.

Title IX Reporting/Concerns: 907-474-7300