

## **STATEMENT OF POLICY ON NON-DISCRIMINATION**

It is the policy of Sitting Bull College (SBC) to afford equal employment opportunities to all qualified individuals, without regard to their race, color, ancestry, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, age, physical or mental disability, citizenship status, veteran status, gender identity or expression, or any other characteristic or status that is protected by federal, state or local law. This also applies to Sitting Bull College's admission practices, financial aid practices, athletics events, recreation activities, public events or other College policies and programs.

### **REFERENCE:**

SBC operates in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendment Act of 1972, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

### **PROCEDURE/CONTENT:**

1. Specific complaints alleging discrimination must be in written form and referred to one of the following complaint receivers:

### **TITLE IX AND 504 COORDINATORS**

#### For Student Information

Koreen Ressler, Vice President of Operations  
9299 Highway 24  
Fort Yates, ND 58538  
(701) 854-8001

#### For Employee Information

Elisabeth Hertel, Human Resource Manager  
9299 Highway 24  
Fort Yates, ND 58538  
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### **COMPLAINT RECEIVERS:**

Fort Yates Campus  
Science and Technology Center  
Koreen Ressler, Vice President of Operations  
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Fort Yates, ND 58538  
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Fort Yates Campus  
Financial Center  
Elisabeth Hertel, Human Resource Manager  
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Fort Yates Campus Student Center/Library  
Mark Holman, Librarian  
9299 Highway 24  
Fort Yates, ND 58538  
(701) 854-8024

Fort Yates Campus Family Support Center  
Chris Fried, Education Dept. Supervisor  
9299 Highway 24  
Fort Yates, ND 58538  
(701) 854-8040

Fort Yates Campus Entrepreneurial Center  
Jonathan Anderson, TBIC Director  
9299 Highway 24  
Fort Yates, ND 58538  
(701) 854-8122

Fort Yates Campus Transit Center  
Pam Ternes, Transportation Director  
9299 Highway 24  
Fort Yates, ND 58538  
(701) 845-8075

Fort Yates Campus Trades Center  
Steve Yellow, Maintenance Director  
9299 Highway 24  
Fort Yates, ND 58538  
(701) 824-8030

McLaughlin Site  
Bernadette Terrell, Site Coordinator  
PO Box 613  
McLaughlin, SD 57642  
(605) 823-4318

Mobridge Site  
Jan Brockel, Site Coordinator  
414 6th Street West  
Mobridge, SD 57601  
(605) 845-5762

1. The complaint receiver will provide the written discrimination allegation to the President, who has five working days to establish and convene a hearing committee to review the alleged complaint. The committee shall consist of a faculty member, a staff member, and an administrator. The complainant will be allowed to select one member of the hearing committee, and the President will appoint the other two.
2. The hearing committee must meet with the complainant within five working days and complete their investigation within ten working days.
3. Findings of the hearing committee must be given to the President within twenty-four hours of the completion of the investigation.
4. If the findings indicate that discrimination occurred, the violator will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action within three days by the President. The complainant will be informed of the disciplinary action.
5. If specific complaint alleging discrimination is against the President of SBC it must be in written form and addressed to the Board of Trustees.
6. If the individual filing a complaint wishes to further pursue the complaint, a written report can be filed with the Office of Civil Rights, US Department of Education, Midwestern Division, 111 North Canal Street, Suite 1053, Chicago, Illinois, 60606-7204. Phone number (312) 886-8434, fax number (312) 353-4888.
7. If the individual filing a complaint wishes to further pursue the complaint on a USDA program, a written report can be filed with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, C.D. 20250-9410, by fax (202) 690-7442 or email at [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov). Complaint forms can be found online at [http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html) or call (866) 632-9992.