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**Bucknell University's Commitment Statement in support of the NASEM Action Collaborative on Preventing Sexual Harassment**

Bucknell University is dedicated to providing an excellent learning and working environment for all campus community members and is excited to actively participate as a member organization for the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM) Action Collaborative to further advance our institutional efforts. "The Action Collaborative brings together leaders from academic institutions and key stakeholders to collaboratively work toward and share targeted action on addressing and preventing sexual harassment across all disciplines and among all people in higher education."

Bucknell's [mission](#) is to foster a residential, co-curricular environment in which students develop intellectual maturity, personal conviction, and strength of character, informed by a deep understanding of different cultures and diverse perspectives. Bucknell seeks to educate our students to serve the common good and to promote justice in ways sensitive to the moral and ethical dimensions of life. The University emphasizes building and sustaining a diverse community in which all students, faculty and staff experience a sense of belonging supported by a foundation of inclusion, equity, and access.

From a campus-wide culture and climate survey conducted in the fall of 2024 and a comprehensive self-assessment Bucknell engaged in through our participation in NASPA's [Culture of Respect program](#), Bucknell has recently identified objectives, including joining the Action Collaborative, to enhance our prevention efforts. We are therefore deeply committed to the Action Collaborative's work "to encourage and support system-wide changes across higher education to prevent and address sexual harassment experienced by all people in higher education and to deal with the issue in the context of other damaging behaviors including other forms of harassment (such as racial harassment), discrimination, bullying, and incivility." Moreover, we acknowledge that this charge requires a firm and demonstrated commitment at all levels of the institution.

Bucknell therefore embraces the opportunity to implement practices identified through our active participation as a member, while also contributing to the Action Collaborative's well-established work and mission by sharing information, resources, and practices.



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