Principia College Student Concerns Policy
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The Committee for Student Concerns (CSC) provides leadership, guidance, oversight, tracking and reporting of students' concerns that make college life challenging. The committee is charged by and responsible to the College President. Our practices are aligned with the Higher Learning Commission's Assumed Practice A.4. on Ethical and Responsible Conduct.

Students are encouraged to take restorative action with each other, faculty, and/or staff when a concern can be addressed through private conversation. They may reach out at any time to the Student Ombudsman, who is available to listen to and work with a student to resolve issues related to their academic experience at Principia. Typically, students reach out to the ombudsman after unsuccessful attempts for resolution through other channels (using the Matthew Code or other means with a peer, faculty member, advisor, or a Resident Community Educator, for instance).

From time to time, a concern may arise that warrants that a formal submission be made through the online Student Concerns Process via prinweb. Submission through the online Student Concerns Process will be handled as follows:

Type of concern:	**Form requirements:**	**Responsible Office**
Academic (faculty, courses, technology, resources)	Confidential, not anonymous	Academic Dean
Title IX/Sexual Harassment	Name (optional); name of person about whom you are submitting the complaint	Title IX Coordinator
Well-being/mental health (yours or that of another student)	Anonymous (student may include their name if desired)	Dean of Students
General (all other–such as, food, housing, facilities, security, access to resources)	Anonymous (student may include their name if desired)	Distributed to appropriate office by Student Concerns Committee

The CSC ensures that submissions are routed to the appropriate office(s) to be reviewed and addressed in a timely manner; that communication includes the reminder that there will be no retaliation. All submitted concerns are tracked and recorded excluding all Personally Identifying Information (PII) about the student.

The institution does not retaliate against those who raise concerns or complaints.