

**WAC 132M-126-140 Rights of parties.** (1) The college's student conduct procedures, WAC 132M-126-040 through 132M-126-100, and this supplemental procedure shall apply equally to all parties.

(2) The college bears the burden of offering and presenting sufficient testimony and evidence to establish that the respondent is responsible for a Title IX violation by a preponderance of the evidence.

(3) The respondent will be presumed not responsible until such time as the disciplinary process has been resolved.

(4) During the hearing, each party shall be represented by an advisor. The parties are entitled to an advisor of their choosing and the advisor may be an attorney. If a party does not choose an advisor, then the Title IX coordinator will appoint an advisor of the college's choosing on the party's behalf at no expense to the party.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28B.50.140. WSR 21-01-145, § 132M-126-140, filed 12/17/20, effective 1/17/21.]