



RULE-MAKING ORDER PERMANENT RULE ONLY

CR-103P (December 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.360)

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DATE: February 16, 2022

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WSR 22-05-102

Agency: Lower Columbia College

Effective date of rule:

Permanent Rules

31 days after filing.

Other (specify) _____ (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

Yes No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: Lower Columbia College must amend their chapter 132M-126-115, 132M-126-145, & 132M-126-155 WAC to meet new case law and guidance from the Department of Education regarding the federal regulations for Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX) that specify how recipients of Federal financial assistance covered by Title IX, including postsecondary institutions, must respond to allegations of sexual harassment consistent with Title IX's prohibition against sex discrimination. Specifically, the changes include modifications to the appeal process, evidentiary procedure, and appointment of a hearing officer.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New:

Repealed:

Amended: 132M-126-115; 132M-126-145; 132M-126-155

Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: Chapter 34.05 RCW and RCW 28B.50.140(13); 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f); Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq

Other authority: *Victim Rights Law Center et al. v. Cardona*, No. 1:20-cv-11104, 2021 WL 3185743 (D. Mass. July 28, 2021)

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 22-01-121 on December 13, 2021 (date).

Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version: None

If a preliminary cost-benefit analysis was prepared under RCW 34.05.328, a final cost-benefit analysis is available by contacting:

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**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.
No descriptive text.**

**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

Federal statute:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Federal rules or standards:	New	0	Amended	<u>3</u>	Repealed	0
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>

The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:

New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
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The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:

New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	1
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The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New	0	Amended	3	Repealed	0
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The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Pilot rule making:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Other alternative rule making:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>

Date Adopted: February 16, 2022

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