## **UNA Nondiscrimination Statement**

UNA adheres to all federal and state civil rights laws prohibiting discrimination in public institutions of higher education. UNA will not discriminate against any employee, applicant for employment, student or applicant for admission on the basis of race, color, sex, pregnancy, religion, creed, ethnicity, national origin, disability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, veteran or military status, predisposing genetic characteristics, domestic violence victim status or any other protected category under applicable local, state or federal law, including protections for those opposing discrimination or participating in any resolution process on campus or within the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or other human rights agencies. UNA policies specifically prohibit the discrimination on the basis of sex under Title IX of the Education Amendment Act of 1972, Title IX regulations including C.F.R. 106. Inquiries related to the application of Title IX may be made to the UNA Title IX Coordinator and Compliance Administrator or the Assistant Secretary of Education in the Office for Civil Rights.

UNA policies cover nondiscrimination in employment and in access to educational opportunities. Therefore, any member of the campus community who acts to deny, deprive or limit the educational, employment, residential and/or social access, benefits and/or opportunities of any member of the campus community, guest or visitor on the basis of their actual or perceived membership in the protected classes listed above is in violation of this UNA statement on nondiscrimination. The University will consider, through appropriate and designated procedures, the report of any member of the university community who has reason to believe he/she has been affected by discrimination as listed above. Non-members of the campus community who engage in discriminatory actions within university programs or on university property are not under the jurisdiction of this policy, but can be subject to actions that limit their access and/or involvement with university through third-party contracts are subject by those contracts to the policies and procedures of their employers.

Reports of sex- or gender-based discrimination may be made to the UNA Title IX Office, UNA Box 5023, 202 Guillot University Center, Florence, AL 35632, 256-765-4223, <u>titleix@una.edu</u>.

Reports of other forms of discrimination may be reported to the following areas: Human Resources 256-765-4291 or <u>humanresources@una.edu</u> Student Conduct 256-765-5012 or studentconduct@una.edu University Ombudsman 256-765-5224 or <u>ombudsman@una.edu</u>

Reports may also be submitted through the Student Complaint Process available at https://www.una.edu/policies/appeals/student-complaint-form.html.

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