

Weill Cornell Medicine – FERPA Statement

Weill Cornell Medicine enforces policies to protect student data and to ensure its appropriate use through the stipulations listed under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (<u>FERPA</u>). Weill Cornell Medicine adheres to <u>Policy 4.5 Access</u> to <u>Student Information</u> approved by Cornell University.

FERPA permits each institution to define a class of information as directory information. FERPA permits disclosure of directory information without the student's consent. Directory information is defined and outlined by Cornell University in the Student Record Privacy Statement and includes name, local and cell phone numbers, email address, photograph, major field of study and college attended, academic level, dates of attendance, enrollment status, university assistantship status (e.g. teaching assistantship, graduate research assistantship, research assistantship, graduate assistantship), participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height (of members of athletic teams), and any degrees earned and awards received. Address information is not considered directory information.

Specific to Weill Cornell Medicine, "Directory Information" also includes publications, grants, fellowships, awards, and a student ID number, user ID, or other unique personal identifier used by the student for purposes of accessing or communicating in electronic systems, but only if the identifier cannot be used to gain access to education records except when used in conjunction with one or more factors that authenticate the user's identity, such as a personal identification number (PIN), password, or other factor known or possessed only by the authorized user.

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