



GEORGE FOX
UNIVERSITY

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

George Fox University accords all the rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) to students who are enrolled. No one shall have access to, nor does the institution disclose any information from, students' education records without the written consent of students except to personnel within the institution with direct educational interest, to persons or organizations providing students' financial aid, to accrediting agencies carrying out their accreditation function, to persons in compliance with judicial order, and to persons in an emergency in order to protect the health or safety of students or other persons. All these exceptions are permitted under the Act.

At its discretion, George Fox University may provide "directory information" in accordance with the provisions of the Act. The university construes the following information to be "directory information": parents' names and addresses, the student's name, permanent address, local address, temporary address, e-mail address, telephone number, date and place of birth, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, major, dates of attendance, full-time and part-time status, degrees and awards received, class year, the most recent previous school attended, and for members of athletic teams, height, weight and position played. The university also considers photographs to be directory information. As such, release of photographs also is permitted.

Students may restrict the release of their directory information to third parties by annually submitting a signed and dated statement to the Registrar's Office within the first two weeks of the semester. Otherwise, all photographs and information listed above are considered as "directory information" according to federal law. Non-directory information, notably grade records, are released to third parties only on written request of the student, or otherwise required by law (e.g., subpoena). *(See the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act in the current University catalog.)*