APPENDIX E: POLICY ON DISCRIMINATORY CONDUCT

The University of North Carolina at Greensboro is committed to the principle that educational and employment decisions should be based on an individual's abilities and qualifications and should not be based on personal characteristics or beliefs that have no relevance to academic ability or to job performance. Accordingly, UNCG supports policies, curricula and co-curricular activities that encourage understanding of and appreciation for all members of its community. UNCG will not tolerate any harassment of, discrimination against, or disrespect for persons. UNCG is committed to equal opportunity in education and employment for all persons regardless of race, color, creed, religion, gender, age, national origin, disability, military veteran status, political affiliation or sexual orientation.

This policy applies internally as well as to the University's relationships with outside organizations, except to the extent that those organizations, including the federal and State government, the military, ROTC, or private employers who do not yet recognize sexual orientation as protected.

The University's educational and employment practices are consistent with Section 103 of The Code of The University of North Carolina. In addition, the University complies with North Carolina General Statutes 126-16 and 126-17, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1988, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, and other Federal and State laws relating to discrimination in educational programs and employment. In accord with Executive Order 11246, the University has in place an Affirmative Action Plan which states the University's commitment to the concept and practice of equal employment opportunity for all persons regardless of race, color, creed, religion, gender, age, national origin, disability, military veteran status, political affiliation or sexual orientation.

Any employee who believes he or she has been treated unfairly based on any of the above characteristics should contact his or her immediate supervisor, or the next level supervisor if the immediate supervisor is the subject of the allegation. Students should contact the Office of Student Affairs.

Retaliatory action of any kind will not be tolerated against any person for making a good faith report of discrimination or on the basis of that person's participation in any allegation, investigation or proceeding related to the report of discriminatory conduct. Every UNCG employee and student is charged with the responsibility to be aware of and abide by this policy. Failure to abide by this policy may subject the violator to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal. The UNC Greensboro discriminatory conduct policy includes protection for transgendered individuals, and actual or perceived gender identity or expression, within its prohibited discriminatory conduct.