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## AIDS STATEMENT

The Health Service shall treat AIDS in the normative fashion of a communicable disease on a case-by-case basis. Because of the low level of communicability of the disease, according to the best current medical advice, the University places no automatic restrictions on AIDS victims, either as students or employees, other than as individual case conditions dictate.

If the University receives information that a member of its community has contracted AIDS, the treatment of the information and all University actions taken will be in full compliance with applicable laws protecting the confidentiality of educational and medical records and the privacy of individuals insofar as an assessment of the risk to the individual and the community allows.

The University shall make a concerted effort to disseminate information concerning AIDS so that the college community may avail itself of background on AIDS prevention and on symptoms and treatment of the disease. Information concerning AIDS may be obtained from the University Health Service.

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