FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a Federal law designed to protect the privacy of a student's education record and prohibits the university from disclosing information from those records without the written consent of the student.

Directory Information

Under the terms of FERPA, the university is permitted to disclose "Directory Information" about a student without the student's consent. Johns Hopkins University has established the following as directory information:

- Legal Name of a student who is in attendance or who has been in attendance
- Name pronunciation
- Local address of a present or former student
- Hopkins e-mail address of a present or former student
- Local telephone number of a present or former student
- Major field of study of a present or former student
- Participation in Johns Hopkins Athletics, limited to hometown, sport, height, and/or weight
- Dates of attendance
- Degrees and awards received and pertinent dates
- Honors
- Photograph (still, audio, and video)
- Classification (enrollment status) and level of study

FERPA permits students to inform JHU that the information above is not to be released. A student may restrict the release of directory information by submitting the Exclusion of Directory Information Form (http://registrar.jhu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Directory-Exclusion-Form-rev-08.2019.pdf) to the Office of the University Registrar.

If the student restricts the release of directory information, a flag is checked in SIS, the student information system. No information can be released on that student without written consent of that student.