



## **Nexus University**

### **Safety in Private Spaces Act Compliance**

Nexus University, a fully on online University, has two unisex restrooms at their administrative office location and is in accordance with the Section 553.865(4), F.S. However, Nexus University does not have changing facilities. The unisex restroom definition by Fla. Stat. § 553.865 - 3(n) states: (n) "Unisex restroom" means a room that includes one or more water closets and that is intended for a single occupant or a family, is enclosed by floor-to-ceiling walls, and is accessed by a full door with a secure lock that prevents another individual from entering while the room is in use." The unisex restrooms at Nexus University administrative office location are in compliance with this definition for unisex restroom and each restroom has designated signage reflecting unisex restroom.

Any person who willfully enters the unisex restroom and refuses to leave when Nexus University personnel requests that they leave, commits the offense of trespass as provided in s. 810.08 and may be subject to disciplinary action. Students or personnel of Nexus University are excluded from this offense of trespass. Nexus University has updated the student, faculty, and employee handbooks and the University Graduate and Undergraduate Catalogs with disciplinary procedures and codes of conduct according to Section 553.865(9)(a)(d), F.S.. Under Sections 553.865(4) and (5), F.S., individuals may file a complaint with the "Attorney General alleging that the institution has failed to meet the minimum requirements for restrooms."

Pursuant to Rule 6E-7.001(3), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), the Safety in Private Spaces Act Compliance, Section 553.865, F.S., Nexus University is in compliance with this Act.

More detailed information about the new law and rule can be found on the Florida Legislature's website at [www.leg.state.fl.us](http://www.leg.state.fl.us) and the Commission's website at [www.fldoe.org/policy/cie](http://www.fldoe.org/policy/cie).