The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law designed to protect the privacy of a student’s educational records. Under FERPA, directory information may be publicly shared by the University, unless the student specifically requests that directory information not be released. The University of Maine System has designated the following as directory information:

- Name
- Address
- E-Mail Address
- Phone
- Date of Birth
- Program of Study
- Dates of Attendance
- Degrees and Awards Received (including dates)
- Most Recent Previous Educational Institution Attended
- Participation in Officially Recognized Sports and Activities
- Class Level
- Enrollment Status (full/part-time)
- Appropriate Personal Athletic Statistical Data

If a student wishes to suppress all their directory information or only their address, their MaineStreet record will display a window shade.

Should you receive an inquiry regarding a student who has a window shade displayed, click on the window shade for more details before releasing any information.

If the student wishes to suppress all their directory information, you should respond to the inquiry with:

“We have no available record under that name.”

Please note that if a student has completed a Student Consent to Release Information form, individuals listed on the form have access to the student’s information.

Details on how to view Student Consent to Release Information can be found on the OSR website.

www.studentrecords.umaine.edu