Scientific Integrity & Research Compliance

New Faculty Orientation 2023

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Scientific Integrity

Scientific integrity is the adherence to professional practices, ethical behavior, and the principles of honesty and objectivity when conducting, managing, using the results of, and communicating about science and scientific activities. Inclusivity, transparency, and protection from inappropriate influence are hallmarks of scientific integrity.



Research Misconduct

Research misconduct is conduct by a **Purdue Associate** taking place at Purdue or in connection with Purdue research that constitutes **Fabrication, Falsification or Plagiarism** with Culpable Intent in proposing, performing or reviewing research, or in reporting research results.

Conduct by a person taking place before or after the period during which the person is a Purdue Associate does not constitute Research

Misconduct under this Policy.



Federal Agencies – Requirements

- Responsible Conduct of Research Training (RCR/RECR)
 - Purdue requires CITI + 2 Hours of Discipline Specific for all researchers (see Standard S-20)
 - Available workshops via Graduate School
 - NIH (8 hours) GRAD 612 or departmental course
- Individualized Development Plans (IDPs) for students & postdocs
 - IDP Science Careers AAAS
 - IDP American Psychological Association
 - Purdue University College of Engineering
- Research Security (NSF/DOD)
 - Foreign travel, cybersecurity, export control training & research security training



Federal Agencies - Focal Points

- Generative Al
 - Caution & Transparency
- Research Security/Undue Foreign Influence
 - Particularly FCOI
- Supportive and Safe Mentoring
 - Safety in all forms physical, mental, etc.
 - Inclusion & underestimation
 - Setting expectations for behavior
 - Knowing how to report
- Data Management Plans



Faculty Mentoring Statements

- Thesis
- Publications
- Authorship
- Career paths
- Meetings
- Independence
- Travel Support
- Stipends/Salary
- Research Funding

- Coursework
- Grant Proposal Writing
- Original Literature
- Teaching
- Personal Life
- Time Management
- Dept/Univ Service
- Ethics
- Resolving Conflicts



Tactics for Mentoring

- Ask how they are doing.
- Provide encouragement and support.
- Clarify performance expectations upfront.
- Sponsor mentees for important opportunities.
- Provide insider information ("demystify the system").
- Constantly affirm (nurture & support their career goals).
- Provide professional exposure and promote visibility.
- Foster their mentoring networks.
- Self-disclose when appropriate (especially if it will help the mentee).
- Allow increasing mutuality and collegiality.



Faculty To-Dos

- Review <u>Researcher Training</u> cheat sheet
- Complete <u>CITI RCR training</u> and <u>2 hr discipline/field specific requirement</u>
- Create a faculty mentoring statement to help with student recruitment
- Additional training/information:
 - <u>IRB/HRPP</u>
 - IACUC/LAP
 - Biosafety/EHS
 - Export Controls
 - Conflict of Interest



Important Contacts

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