

Compliance with National Science Foundation (NSF) Funded Projects

For research projects funded by the NSF, responsibility for compliance with the federal mandate for Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) education rests jointly with Principal Investigators (PIs) and the University. Specifically:

- The University will provide the university community with access to the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) RCR on-line training modules.
- The University will provide a series of interactive, discussion-based continuing education workshops that cover the full list of mandated topics in RCR education in greater depth than the foundational CITI on-line training. These workshop topics include:
 - Introduction to Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Training
 - Research Misconduct
 - Data Acquisition, Management, Sharing and Ownership
 - Publication Practices and Responsible Authorship
 - Peer Review
 - Mentor and Trainee Responsibilities
 - Conflicts of Interest and Commitment
 - Collaborative Research
- The University will also make available an online archive of supplemental RCR educational materials for faculty, staff and student investigators to use to fulfill more discipline-specific RCR training issues related to the RCR plans attached to individual research projects.
- Individual PIs are responsible for the successful completion of the RCR education plan included in their proposals funded by NSF or other funding agencies. Individual PIs are also responsible for fulfilling all RCR documentation requirements of the agency funding their research projects.