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NSF RCR Requirement

University of Kansas- Lawrence Campus's Education Plan to Satisfy the Requirements of NSF's Implementation of Section 7009 of the America COMPETES Act (42 U.S.C. 1862o-1).

Background

Section 7009 of the America COMPETES Act requires that "each institution that applies for financial assistance from the Foundation for science and engineering research or education describe in its grant proposal a plan to provide appropriate training and oversight in the responsible and ethical conduct of research to undergraduate students, graduate students, and postdoctoral researchers participating in the proposed research project."

NSF's Implementation Plan [74 FR 42126-42128 (August 20, 2009)]:

"Effective January 4, 2010, NSF will require that, at the time of proposal submission to NSF, a proposing institution's Authorized Organizational Representative certify that the institution has a plan to provide appropriate training and oversight in the responsible and ethical conduct of research undergraduates, graduate students, and postdoctoral researchers who will be supported by NSF to conduct research."



University of Kansas-Lawrence Campus Education Plan

The Office of the Vice Chancellor of Research will coordinate implementation and oversee compliance with the NSF Requirement for RCR Education. Assistant Vice Chancellor Kristi Billinger is the Authorized Organizational Representative for the KU Lawrence Campus Plan.

Undergraduates, graduate students, and postdoctoral researchers to be supported from an NSF project must successfully complete a required RCR tutorial. Individuals will be signed up on a quarterly basis and tracked until completion. This requirement must be completed within the first semester of employment. Participants are encouraged to complete the tutorial in a timely fashion.

For doctoral candidates, the NSF RCR requirement supplements the [Research Skills and Responsible Scholarship Policy](#).

CITI RCR tutorial

The University subscribes to the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) program for online RCR training and other compliance and ethics training. All CITI course modules in the University subscription are available for enrollment by any KU faculty, staff member or student, at no cost to the individual. A KU online ID is required to log in.

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Resources


Information about Responsible Scholarship courses and workshops addressing the ethical and responsible conduct of research can be found on the [KU Responsible Scholarship](#) page.

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- [Compliance Hotline](#)
- [eCompliance Human Subjects](#)
- [Environment Health & Safety](#) »
- [Human Subjects Tutorial](#)
- [Responsible Scholarship](#)
- [Restricted Research](#)
- [Scholarly Misconduct Policy](#) »

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