# Educational Training in Responsible Conduct of Research

## **Policy Statement**

Educational training in the Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) is required for all Marywood researchers (faculty, staff, and students) who are involved in a project to be funded by a federal agency which requires such training. Training will meet the standards of the Public Health Service, National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health, United States Department of Agriculture, and other applicable regulatory agencies. Required training is identified by the Director of Human Participants Protection and Research Compliance and made accessible through the Institutional Review Board's website.

Evidence of completed Responsible Conduct of Research training must be submitted with research protocol applications to the Institutional Review Board (IRB), Exempt Review Board (ERB), Departmental Review Board (DRB), and Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC). If the proposal does not require committee approval as above, then evidence of RCR training must be submitted to the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs before an externally or internally funded project can begin.

#### **Definitions**

All researchers refers to those who are making application for any internal or external funding, even those who have no committee reporting requirements. In these cases, evidence of RCR training must be submitted to the Office of Research and Sponsored Programs before an internally or externally funded project can begin.

**Responsible Conduct of Research training** includes instruction in the following core areas:

- data acquisition, management, sharing and ownership
- peer review
- collaborative research
- publication practices and responsible authorship
- conflict of interest and commitment
- protection of human subjects
- animal welfare
- research misconduct

#### **Related Policies**

- Controlled Substances in Research
- Educational Training in Animal Research
- Educational Training in Human Participants Protection for Investigators
- Educational Training in Human Participants Protection for IRB Members and IRB Administrative Personnel
- Institutional Review of Research Involving Human Participants

### **Related Committees**

## History

10/29/09 - Appproved by the President of the University as recommended by the Policy Committee of the University

10/12/16 - Request from Research and Sponsored Programs to change the title of a position and the name of the department was approved by the President of the University as recommended by the Policy Committee of the University.

05/11/18 - Revisions were made to the Educational Training in Responsible Conduct of Research Policy as recommended by the IRB Task Force assembled to address the concerns of the Faculty Senate's Committee on Scholarship. The Policy Committee of the University recommended these revisions to the President of the University who approved them.

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