

BOARD OF REGENTS
EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

RECOMMENDATION

NEW BOARD POLICY APPROVAL

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the Board of Regents approve one (1) new Board Policy: *6.4.3 Research Compliance*.

SUMMARY

The purpose of the policy is to enact a comprehensive research compliance policy that incorporates two existing policies being concurrently recommended for deletion (Board Policies 6.2.6 and 6.2.7), and adds a third component of research compliance (Institutional Biosafety). The policy also enables the Provost to create new, as-yet-unforeseen research compliance oversight committees, should they be required per federal regulation or state law, without having to create additional Board Policies. The policy proposed for approval is applicable to all individuals conducting research at or on behalf of Eastern Michigan University.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The proposed Board action has been reviewed and is recommended for Board approval.


University Executive Officer

6/7/17
Date

Board Policy: Research Compliance

UNIVERSITY POLICY STATEMENT

Eastern Michigan University will comply with the applicable provisions of federal and state statutes and regulations regarding research compliance to ensure safe and ethical conduct of research, scholarship, and creative activity.

UNIVERSITY PRACTICE

University practices for implementing this policy include:

1. The application of this policy as specified by the procedures detailed in federal and state laws and regulations applicable to the safe and ethical conduct of research.
2. The University will maintain a program in accordance with the Office for Human Research Protections regulations for ethical conduct of research, scholarship, and creative activity involving human subjects.
3. The University will maintain a program in accordance with the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare and the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service regulations for the humane care and use of animals in research, scholarship, creative activity, teaching, and service to the university. Service animals, comfort animals, and pets are not covered by this policy.
4. The University will maintain a program in accordance with the *NIH Guidelines for Research Involving Recombinant or Synthetic Nucleic Acid Molecules* and the Center for Disease Control *Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories* for the safe and ethical use of recombinant or synthetic nucleic acid molecules, biological toxins, biohazardous materials, and human and animal biological samples.
5. The University will maintain additional programs, in accordance with federal and state laws and regulations, to ensure the safe and ethical conduct of research.
6. The Provost will appoint standing committees as required by federal regulations where such committees are required to secure federal funding for research.
7. Each standing committee will draft procedures under its charge for the implementation of this policy and for its enforcement.
8. These standing committees will provide regulatory and statutory oversight, coordination, and review of all relevant projects.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR IMPLEMENTATION

The Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs shall have responsibility for the implementation and administration of this policy. The Provost shall establish all research compliance committees. The Provost or their designee shall appoint members to these committees. Each committee shall report directly to the Provost or their designee.

SCOPE OF POLICY COVERAGE

This policy applies to all research, scholarship, and creative activity undertaken at the University, by University faculty, staff, students, or visiting affiliates, using University resources, or conducted under the auspices of Eastern Michigan University. This policy also applies to any University non-research activity involving the use of animals covered under the Animal Welfare Act or the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*.