

OSP Announcements and Updates

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Follow-Up: Research Security Requirements for Federal Projects

As a follow-up to our previous announcement regarding research security requirements for federal projects under the CHIPS and Science Act, a <u>webpage</u> for status updates is now available on the Office of Sponsored Programs website.

We anticipate other federal agencies to issue their research security requirements soon. As federal agencies issue their requirements, this webpage will be updated.

In addition to the Department of Energy, the National Science Foundation now requires covered individuals (senior/key personnel) to complete research security training **prior to proposal submission**.

This requirement goes into effect October 10, 2025 for all new NSF proposal submissions.

If any covered individual on an NSF proposal has not completed the training, the proposal cannot be submitted.

To address the training requirement, FAU has subscribed to CITI Programs for online research security training. The Research Security Training module has been added to our CITI Program training portfolio of courses and is available to all FAU researchers. FAU will accept either the 4-hour Research Security Training course or the condensed 1-hour Research Security Training to satisfy the initial training requirement.

Since this requirement must be completed prior to proposal application submission, we encourage all researchers planning to submit a proposal to DOE or NSF to complete this course now rather than wait until proposal application. Incomplete training for any senior/key personnel on the proposal application will delay/prevent the proposal from being submitted.

Please share this information with faculty and staff within your department/unit. If you have questions, please contact your assigned Proposal Administrator in the Office of Sponsored Programs. Thank you.