

Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Project Plan

- This RCR Project Plan must be completed for **Awards and Subawards funded by covered NSF or NIH⁽¹⁾ programs or by USDA NIFA**, prior to establishing the award.
- RCR training is a condition of the award and must be completed before graduation or other departure from the Institute, even if that imposes a shorter deadline. Refer to <https://rcr.gatech.edu/matrix> for training requirements.

PROJECTS FUNDED BY A COVERED NSF OR NIH PROGRAM⁽¹⁾

PART I - ONLINE (CITI) RCR TRAINING: All students and postdoctoral researchers are required to complete an online CITI RCR course (<https://rcr.gatech.edu/online-training>) within ninety [90] days of being appointed to a covered NSF or NIH funded project⁽¹⁾. **Check the box to acknowledge the online training requirement for NSF or NIH.**

PART II – RCR TRAINING FOR NSF FACULTY: Beginning with new proposals submitted or due on or after July 31, 2023, faculty and staff funded by NSF to conduct research will be enrolled in an in-house RCR training course developed for faculty (<https://rcr.gatech.edu/nsf-faculty>) and must complete it within sixty [60] days of enrollment. **Check the box to acknowledge the In-House Faculty RCR Training Requirement for covered NSF awards.**

PART III – DISCUSSION-BASED TRAINING: Students and postdoctoral researchers are required to complete discussion-based training within the first year of appointment to the project. The type of in-person training that is deemed acceptable varies depending on the person’s career stage and sponsor requirements (refer to <https://rcr.gatech.edu/matrix>).

Instructions: Indicate the preferred Discussion-Based RCR Training Approach(es) for each group that is listed as being funded by the proposal. Check all that apply. Mark the “N/A” box if this group is not listed in the proposal as being funded.

Career Stage	DISCUSSION-BASED TRAINING FOR NSF	DISCUSSION-BASED TRAINING FOR NIH
UNDERGRADUATE <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	1 HOUR: <input type="checkbox"/> RCR Workshop or other approved training <input type="checkbox"/> Research Team Meetings* <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):* _____	8 HOURS: <input type="checkbox"/> RCR Workshop or other approved training <input type="checkbox"/> Research Team Meetings* <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):* _____
MASTER’S <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	2 HOURS: <input type="checkbox"/> RCR Workshop or other approved training <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Doctoral or Master’s RCR Course <input type="checkbox"/> Research Team Meetings* <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):* _____	8 HOURS: <input type="checkbox"/> RCR Workshop or other approved training <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Doctoral RCR Course <input type="checkbox"/> Research Team Meetings* <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):* _____
DOCTORAL <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Academic Doctoral RCR Course	<input type="checkbox"/> Academic Doctoral RCR Course
POSTDOCTORAL <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	4 HOURS: <input type="checkbox"/> RCR Workshop or other approved Training <input type="checkbox"/> Attend PHIL 6000 <input type="checkbox"/> Research Team Meetings* <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):* _____	8 HOURS: <input type="checkbox"/> RCR Workshop or other approved training <input type="checkbox"/> Attend PHIL 6000 <input type="checkbox"/> Research Team Meetings* <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):* _____

* For this form of training to be recorded in Georgia Tech systems and the reports used for tracking, the PI must submit the RCR Research Team Meeting form to the RCR Program; otherwise, the PI must maintain documentation of this type of training with project records. All other training is automatically tracked by GT systems.

PROJECTS FUNDED BY USDA NIFA

Online (CITI) RCR Training: All students, postdoctoral researchers, faculty, and staff funded by the USDA NIFA program are required to complete an online CITI RCR course (<https://rcr.gatech.edu/online-training>). **Check the box to acknowledge the online training requirement for NIFA.**

⁽¹⁾ The RCR training requirement applies to NSF funded grants to conduct research and NIH funded training grants, career development awards (individual or institutional), research education grants, dissertation research grants and projects funded by solicitations specifically listing the requirement. For more information refer to <https://rcr.gatech.edu/compliance-applicability>.