Brown Research Integrity Series for Faculty (2025-26)

REGISTER for the series and select individual sessions at this link:
https://brown.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b7sVxb2cChFs6i2

OVERVIEW
This course is designed to fulfill the NIH requirements for training in the Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR), and is coordinated by Postdocs and Early Career Programs (PECP) in the Division of Biology and Medicine at Brown. The Research Integrity Series for Faculty consists of core [*REQUIRED] and elective modules, with content and discussion topics aimed at more experienced scholars in the biomedical and clinical sciences.

REQUIREMENTS
Faculty must complete a minimum of 8 hours of interactive, *in-person core and elective content in order to receive RCR certification. Faculty who began training in this course last year and have yet to complete their 8 hours may continue with this year's series. Faculty registered for this course may apply up to 1 hr of in-person external RCR training (for example, a departmental workshop, class, or seminar relating to a topic covered in this class). Attendees must provide PECP with verification of attendance for tracking purposes.

FORMAT
As per the most recent NIH guidance (NOT-OD-22-055), we may deliver some content by Zoom, but must also include some in-person content. For Zoom sessions, it is required that the level of face-to-face engagement matches that of in-person sessions, which includes use face-to face interactions (cameras on), discussion, active learning, engagement, and interaction among the participants. The format for each session will be listed in the calendar invitation after registration.

SYLLABUS

FALL Sessions:
The Role of the Scientist in Society
Thursday, October 30th 3:30 - 5pm
Sharon Rounds and Audra Van Wart

*Research Misconduct and Brown University Policies
Thursday, November 13th 3:30 - 5pm
Juliane Blyth

*Rigor, Reproducibility, and Transparency
Tuesday, December 4th, 3:30 - 5pm
Gregorio Valdez and Audra Van Wart

SPRING Sessions:
Mentorship and the Research Environment
Thursday, January 15th, *3:30 - 5pm
Ulrike Mende and Audra Van Wart

*If you have attended the NRMN-based Mentor Training offered through Advance-CTR you do not need to attend this session. Provide evidence of completion to receive 2 hrs of RCR credit in this course.

Data Management, Ownership, and Record-Keeping
Thursday, February 12th, 3:30 - 5pm
Andrew Creamer & Neil Sarkar

Conflict of Interest, Research Security, and Export Control
March – data TBA, 3:30 - 5pm
Torrey Truszkowski & TBD

Responsible Authorship and Peer Review
Thursday, April 9th, 3:30 - 5pm
Audra Van Wart