

2025-2026

The RCR Education Seminar will give graduate students, postdoctoral scholars, faculty, and staff the knowledge and tools to guide them through the increasingly complex ethical issues they will face during their careers. Attendees will become aware of established norms and ethical principles for responsible scholarly conduct. Attendees will learn how to apply the principles and norms to their own work and conduct their research with integrity. The sessions will be taught and facilitated by experts on each particular seminar topic. Time will be provided for discussion and Q&A.

RCR training is required for all graduate students with a research thesis.
Attending 3 seminars of the RCR sessions satisfies the
URI Graduate School requirement for RCR training.

Date, Time, and Location	Details
September 3, 2025 2 – 3 PM Welcome Center Hope Room	Introduction to Responsible Conduct of Research Speakers: Heather Paskalides, IRB and RCR Specialist and Dr. Brenton DeBoef, Professor of Chemistry and Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences
October 1, 2025 2 – 3 PM Welcome Center Hope Room	Research Security Speakers: Carol Connolly, Director of Research Security and Cort Burke, Facility Security Officer
November 5, 2025 2 – 3 PM Welcome Center HopeRoom	Fabrication, Falsification, and Plagiarism Speaker: Amanda Izenstark, Professor, University Libraries and Reference and Instructional Design Librarian
December 3, 2025 2 – 3:30 PM Welcome Center Anchor Room	Conflicts of Interest and Commitment in Research Speakers: Dr. Julie Simpson, Director of Research Integrity Services, University of New Hampshire; Dr. Heather McClary, Director of Research Integrity; Lindsay Nottage, Director of Enterprise Risk Management
February 4, 2026 2 – 3 PM Location TBD	Human Subjects Research Speaker: Dr. Matt Delmonico, Professor of Kinesiology and IRB Chair
March 4, 2026 2 – 3 PM Location TBD	Animal Welfare Speaker: Dr. Jennifer Beninson, Attending Veterinarian
April 1, 2026 2 – 3 PM Location TBD	Rigor and Reproducibility Speaker: Dr. Niall Howlett, Professor of Cell and Molecular Biology and Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education
May 6, 2026 2 – 3 PM Location TBD	Administering Reasonable Accommodation in Research Speaker: Dorca Smalley, Director of Office of Equal Opportunity

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