Research Community Meeting

June 21, 2022

Intellectual Property Rights Assignment

- I will abide by the University's policy regarding the ownership of intellectual property found here: Policy on Intellectual Property (uri.edu) and understand that I should contact the Office of Intellectual Property and Economic Development – URI Technology Transfer – Division of Research and Economic Development, if I have any questions.

- I understand that the University's funding agreements with third parties, including the United States Government, may impose certain obligations upon the University, its faculty, staff and students with respect to rights in inventions.

- In order to comply with The Federal Bayh-Dole Act (37 CFR 401) and the Policy on Intellectual Policy, I agree to timely submit any invention disclosures, to execute any confirmatory assignments or other documents necessary to file for patent protection, or to confirm ownership by the University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees or such other entity as it may designate.

Intellectual Property Rights Assignment

- In order to comply with The Federal Bayh-Dole Act (37 CFR 401) and the Policy on Intellectual Policy, I hereby assign and transfer to the University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees my entire right, title and interest in and to all intellectual property that I conceive, create and/or invent during my employment or association with the University and to which the University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees has rights pursuant to the Policy on Intellectual Property.

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OSP Activity in InfoEd

- Since URI went live with InfoEd in early 2021:
  - Nearly 1000 proposals submitted in InfoEd
  - Nearly 400 awards accepted in InfoEd

Sponsored Projects Reminders

- Updated guidance on submission of NIH Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) - https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/submit-a-proposal/sponsored-projects-policies-and-procedures/research-performance-progress-report/
  - Research-L notice sent out last week as well

- Updated Post-Doc Salary Guidance: https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/files/Postdoctoral-Fellow-Salary-Guideline-May-2022.pdf

- Participant costs (do not carry F&A) vs. Participant incentives (do carry F&A)

InfoEd Updates

- **THANK YOU FOR THE EFFORT AS URI MIGRATES TO INFOED**

- InfoEd PT access to Status History tab
  - Please use before submitting a Dean's Pledge

- Development of guidance for linking supplements to existing records in InfoEd.

Minimum Effort

- **Minimum Effort on Sponsored Projects Guidance (May 2022)**
  - https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/files/Minimum-Effort-Guideline-May-2022.pdf
  - *"The minimum amount of effort committed to a specific sponsored research activity may be no less than 1 percent of the Principal Investigator and other key personnel's university effort."*
  - Any portion of effort for which the sponsor does not pay is considered cost-share and must be approved by VPR
  - Exclusions exist

- Federal guidance on the topic:
  - "most Federally-funded research programs should have some level of committed faculty (or senior researchers) effort, paid or unpaid by the Federal government. This effort can be provided at any time within the fiscal year (summer months, academic year, or both)."
  - The clarification memo also states that, "...Some types of research programs...do not require committed faculty effort, paid or unpaid by the Federal government..."

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OSP Website Updates

- Updated Proposal Budget Guidance webpage:
  - https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/proposal-budgeting-guidance/
- New webpage describing agreement types (e.g., MTA, DUA, NDA), and how to ensure timely review/signature
  - https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/submit-a-proposal/agreements/
- New webpages on COI and COI Disclosure Process
  - https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/office-of-research-integrity/conflicts-of-interest-overview/
- New InfoEd Quick Reference Guides:
  - https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/infoed-era-system/infoed-training-and-documentation/user-documentation/
  - Budget Development with Cost Share
  - How to download a budget into Excel
  - Linking a supplemental proposal to the main award

Research Brown Bags

- Monthly Research Brown Bag Forums – First Wednesday of the month @ Noon

- All recordings are here: https://web.uri.edu/research-admin/externalrelations/news/

- Topics:
  - **March:** What to Know about Federal Research Portals (e.g., Research.gov, GrantSolutions, eRA Commons) w/ Franca Cirelli
  - **April**: Purchasing Requirements w/ Tracey Angell
  - **May:** How do I complete a subaward w/ Ted Myatt
  - **June:** HR Issues Related to Research w/ Laura Kenerson
  - **July and August:** Summer Hiatus!

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Working Groups Reminder

- InfoEd Working Group – Meets monthly

- NIH Working Group – Meets quarterly

- Contact tedmyatt@uri.edu to be added to invite.

Sponsor and Cost Accounting Updates

- Overview S&CA responsibilities

- Common questions/issues

- Available for grants portal training

- Email Michele Wood (mgwood@uri.edu) or Eileen Tobin (etobin@uri.edu) for questions on invoicing and financial reporting

Research Integrity Updates

- **Export Control Policy Reminders**
  - Defines U.S. Person status
    - Includes U.S. Citizens & Lawful Permanent Residents of the U.S.
  - Defines Foreign Person status
    - Includes any person who is not a U.S. Person
      - Examples: H1B, J1, F1 visa holders
  - Applies to all:
    - URI personnel/employees
    - students and postdocs
    - visiting scientists
    - other persons retained by or working for URI
      - Includes personnel at any URI center or institute
        - Examples: NIUVT, CYPHER, CRC
  - Policy On Export Control Compliance (uri.edu)

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Research Integrity Updates

– Policy on University Technology and Sponsored Non-Immigrant Aliens (URI policy number 5.102.1)

– Policy applies to all J-1, H-1B, F-1 (graduate and postdoctoral fellows) non-immigrant visa holders from countries listed as State Sponsors of Terrorism by the U.S. Department of State or from a countries known to engage in industrial espionage as defined by the National Counterintelligence and Security Center.

– This policy refers to and covers nonimmigrant visa holders who are sponsored by URI and accessing URI IT networks.

– The policy requires that devices used to access URI networks by sponsored individuals run approved operating systems, up-to-date antivirus software and endpoint security protection. This includes both University owned and any personal device which may connect to a University network and is used for University business or University-sponsored research.

– Policy does NOT apply to traditional, full-time F-1 undergraduate students.

Summary-University personnel sponsoring non-immigrant aliens should be aware of the requirement to have both University issued and personally owned electronics cleared by URI IT security before allowing access to URI networks for business or sponsored research.

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Questions?

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