

# UC DAVIS COMPLIANCE OVERVIEW

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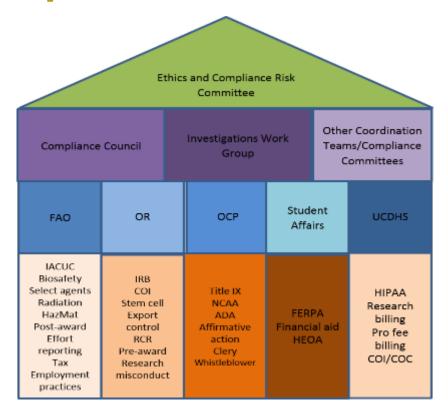
## **University Regulatory Environment**

- Universities are subject to an alphabet soup of regulations
- Impacts nearly all operations at UC Davis
- Direct effect on faculty teaching and research



#### OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE AND POLICY

#### **UC Davis Compliance Structure**





## **Compliance and Policy Unit**

- Complaint processes
  - Sexual harassment/sexual violence
  - Discrimination/harassment/hate & bias
  - Whistleblower/whistleblower retaliation
  - Police misconduct
- Compliance programs
  - Title IX compliance
    •Affirmative Action compliance
  - ADA compliance
    •Privacy
  - Clery Act compliance 
    Policy coordination
- Campus-wide compliance coordination

## **Whistleblower Policy**

- UC policy, based on California law, that governs reporting and investigation of suspected improper governmental activities
- IGA = any activity by an employee that:
  - Violates the law
  - Is "economically wasteful, or involves gross misconduct, incompetency, or inefficiency"
  - Misuse of University resources
- Filing reports
  - Directly with University official
  - On-line: https://secure.ethicspoint.com/domain/media/en/gui/23531/index.html
  - Through UC Hotline: (800) 403-4744



#### Improper Governmental Activities – The Real Loss





#### What to Do

- Take it seriously
- Report to Locally Designated Official
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- Consult with appropriate resources
  - Academic Affairs
  - Human Resources
  - Internal Audit Services
  - Others
- Ensure action is taken after consultation
- Confirm conversations in writing
- Monitor for possible retaliation against reporter



#### What Not to Do

- Don't dismiss allegations as frivolous
- Don't try to handle this on your own
- Don't conduct your own investigation
- Don't question employees who are suspected of improprieties
- Don't unnecessarily communicate to faculty and staff about allegations
- Don't allow retaliatory situations to develop



#### **Research Misconduct**

- Fabrication, falsification or plagiarism in proposing, performing or reviewing research or in reporting research results
- Handled by Office of Research under PPM 220-05
  - Preliminary assessment
  - Inquiry
  - Investigation
- Requirement to sequester evidence



### **Mandatory Training**

- Sexual Harassment/Sexual Violence Prevention
  - All employees
  - Within first 90 days of hire
  - Frequency??
- General Ethics
  - Salary support all from general funds
  - Every 2 years
- Conflict of Interest for Researchers
  - Any salary support from external funds
  - Every 2 years
- Specific topics based on research interests



#### **Contact Information**

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