



## **GENERAL POLICY: EXPORT CONTROL**

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### **I. Purpose**

The policy supports compliance with federal regulations protecting information and technology from disclosure by university sources when release could hamper US economic vitality or contribute to the military potential of international adversaries.

### **II. Policy Statement**

Georgia Southern University policy holds that, absent extraordinary circumstances, teaching, research, and service will be accomplished openly and without prohibitions or restrictions on the publication and dissemination of results.

However, certain federal regulations may require the university to obtain permission from the Department of State, Department of Commerce, or the Office of Foreign Assets Control before sharing research information with persons who are not US citizens or permanent resident aliens or allowing foreign nationals to participate in research involving specific technologies. These export control regulations may limit opportunities for university researchers and their students, affect publication rights, and prevent international collaboration, and violations can result in the loss of research contracts, monetary fines, or incarceration of individuals. The regulations do not apply to information in the public domain or resulting from fundamental research activities.

Therefore, GSU pursues its mission in teaching, research, and service in a manner consistent with applicable export control regulations while making reasonable efforts to maximize the benefit of the public domain or fundamental research exemptions.

Each employee is responsible for understanding the export control requirements related to his or her work and ensuring that no exports are made contrary to US export control regulations. These regulations have significant ramifications for travel; research transfers of material, equipment, or information; purchasing, surplus property; and contracting.