I. Purpose
This policy supports compliance in the conduct of intramural and extramural research with federal and state laws and regulations and University policy and procedures instituted to implement such law and regulation and university business practice. (Reference Board of Regents Policy Manual 7.16 Compliance Policy)

II. Policy Statement
It is the policy of the Georgia Southern University to comply with applicable Federal and State laws, rules, and regulations as well as USG and University policy and procedure in the conduct of intramural and extramural research conducted under the auspice of Georgia Southern University.

Researchers will make required disclosures and obtain all required permits, training and committee approvals prior to commencement of covered research and shall maintain compliance for the duration of the research term.

Conduct of extramural research will conform to the applicable terms and conditions negotiated with the funding sponsor where performance under such terms and conditions do not violate international, federal, state or local law. The University reserves the right to reject any extramural sponsorship based upon the best interest of the University.

Researchers will include all faculty, staff, administrators, full or part-time, classified and non-classified persons, students, contractors, consultants and volunteers authorized to participate in the conduct of research. Enforcement of this policy will be conducted through the discipline mechanism appropriate to the affiliation status of the researcher. University employees are prohibited from retaliating against another community member for reporting a suspected compliance violation.

III. Exclusions (if applicable)
There are no exclusions to this policy.

IV. Procedures
All researchers must comply with the requirements governing sponsored and unsponsored research conducted under the auspice of Georgia Southern University. The Principal
Investigator is responsible for assuring compliance within the research project. The Office of Research Integrity (ORI), the Office of Research Services and Sponsored Programs (ORSSP) and Environmental Safety provide support services for research compliance.

Failure to comply with applicable International, Federal, State or local regulation or law or USG or Georgia Southern policy will be addressed utilizing the disciplinary mechanism appropriate to the affiliation status of the researcher.