

POLICY ON OFF CAMPUS WORK USING LIVE VERTEBRATE ANIMALS

Effective April 23, 2007

The SRU IACUC endeavors to provide effective review of the use of live vertebrate animals in research, teaching, and testing whenever SRU faculty and students perform those activities in an institutionally sanctioned manner. This includes off campus work in conjunction with other institutions or agencies if certain conditions are met.

Institutional sanctioning of SRU faculty activities would come into play if the activity leads to any level of SRU generated compensation. This includes any situation where a faculty member uses an activity to fulfill any type of performance review requirement (renewal, tenure, promotion, and 5 year review). Institutional sanctioning of SRU student activities would involve those situations where degree completion was facilitated by the activity (credit hours, etc.).

Procedural Framework

- Faculty Involved With Institution/agency Having USDA-OLAW Certification: A copy of the source institution's IACUC approval letter and the protocol form should be transmitted to the SRU IACUC for informational purposes. This requirement applies to situations where the faculty member's participation is related to his/her professional duties at SRU. All research, teaching, and testing that use vertebrate animals are covered under this provision.
- Faculty Involved With Institution/agency Lacking USDA-OLAW Certification: The SRU faculty must submit a protocol for full review by the SRU IACUC. A site visit by committee members may be required if deemed necessary by the IO. This requirement applies to situations where the faculty member's participation is related to his/her professional duties at SRU. All research, teaching, and testing that use vertebrate animals are covered under this provision.
- Students Involved With Institution/agency Having USDA-OLAW Certification: Copies of the source institution's IACUC approval letter and the protocol form should be transmitted to the SRU IACUC for informational purposes. Student training on animal welfare and safety issues should be outlined as well. The latter information may be given in the protocol form. This information should come from the SRU instructor of record or SRU program liaison. This requirement applies any situation where the student's participation generates SRU credit or meets a degree requirement. All research, teaching, and testing that use vertebrate animals are covered under this provision.
- Students Involved With Institution/agency Lacking USDA-OLAW Certification: The SRU faculty member of record or SRU program liaison must submit a protocol for full review by the SRU IACUC. A site visit by committee members may be required if deemed necessary by the IO. Student training on animal welfare and safety issues should be outlined as well. The latter information may be given in the protocol form. This requirement applies any situation where the student's participation generates SRU credit or meets a degree requirement. All research, teaching, and testing that use vertebrate animals are covered under this provision