

(Purpose)

Article 1. The Regulations prescribe matters necessary to ensure research integrity at Hiroshima University (hereinafter, “This University”) and thereby establish an internationally reliable research environment in relation to Article 28 of the Hiroshima University Policies and Regulations (April 1, 2004 Regulation No. 1).

(Definitions)

Article 2. The definitions of the terminology used in the Regulations are as described below:

- (1) Research integrity: the soundness and fairness of research with regard to the risks associated with the increasing internationalization and openness of research activities.
- (2) Researchers, etc.: faculty members, students, etc. who engage in research activities at This University.

(Responsibilities of the President)

Article 3. The President shall establish a system to ensure research integrity.

(Responsibilities of Researchers, etc.)

Article 4. Researchers shall report the information listed below to This University to ensure the transparency of their research activities and thus discharge their accountability:

- (1) Professional career and research history
- (2) All affiliations and positions in their career (including information on concurrent employments, overseas recruitment programs, emeritus professors without employment contracts, etc.)
- (3) Research funds, remunerations, and goods provided by foreign research institutions, etc.
- (4) Details and participants of research activities conducted in collaboration with or under contract with foreign research institutions, etc.
- (5) Purposes and details of business trips to foreign country(s)
- (6) Other information required by This University and a research funding agency, etc.

2 The collaborations mentioned in Item 4 of the previous paragraph shall include those for which a written contract has not been drawn.

3 Researchers, etc. shall provide any information listed in Paragraph 1 in case a disclosure is requested by a research funding agency, etc.

(Research Integrity Management Supervisor)

Article 5. In order to supervise management-related tasks involved in ensuring research integrity (hereinafter, “Research Integrity Management”), This University shall appoint a Research Integrity Management Supervisor (hereinafter, “the Supervisor”).

2 The Executive Vice President (responsible for “Research”) shall serve as the Supervisor.

(Research Integrity Management Deputy Supervisor)

Article 6. In order to assist the Supervisor, This University shall appoint a Research Integrity Management Deputy Supervisor (hereinafter, “the Deputy Supervisor”).

2 Both the Executive Director (responsible for “Financial and General Affairs”) and the Executive Vice President (responsible for “Global Initiatives”) shall serve as the Deputy Supervisor.

(Research Integrity Management Committee)

Article 7. This University shall establish the Research Integrity Management Committee (hereinafter, “the Committee”) to deliberate on the matters necessary to ensure research integrity.

Article 8. The Committee shall deliberate on matters listed below:

- (1) Matters pertaining to the establishment, revision, or abolition of regulations related to ensuring research integrity
- (2) Matters pertaining to official requests related to ensuring research integrity
- (3) Matters pertaining to surveys for ensuring research integrity
- (4) Matters pertaining to education and training related to ensuring research integrity
- (5) Other important matters related to ensuring research integrity

Article 9. The Committee shall be composed of the members listed in the following items:

- (1) The Supervisor
- (2) The Deputy Supervisor
- (3) Executive Vice Presidents appointed by the President (excluding the persons listed in the two items above) (a few in number)
- (4) Other persons deemed necessary by the President (a few in number)

2 The Committee members shall be appointed or commissioned by the President.

3 The term of the Committee members mentioned in Item 4 of Paragraph 1 shall be two years, and the appointment shall be generally made on April the 1st. However, when the appointment is made on April the 2nd or thereafter, the term shall be until the last date of the academic year wherein one year has passed since the date of the said appointment.

4 A reappointment of Committee members mentioned in Item 4 of Paragraph 1 shall not be prevented.

5 In case a Committee member mentioned in Item 4 of Paragraph 1 requests resignation or becomes unable to serve, the term of a replacement member shall be the remaining appointment period of the former member.

Article 10. Chairperson and deputy chairperson of the Committee shall be appointed.

2 The Supervisor shall serve as the chairperson, and the Deputy Supervisor who is the Executive Director (responsible for “Financial and General Affairs”) shall serve as the deputy chairperson.

3 The chairperson shall convene the committee and chair the meeting.

4 The deputy chairperson shall assist the chairperson and act on his capacity in case the chairperson is incapacitated.

Article 11. When deemed necessary, the Committee may invite persons other than the committee members to attend a committee meeting and ask for their opinions.

(Specialized Subcommittee)

Article 12. The Committee may establish a specialized subcommittee which investigates and deliberates on specialized matters related to ensuring research integrity.

2 The Committee shall determine necessary matters related to the specialized subcommittee.

(Administration)

Article 13. Administrative matters of the Committee shall be managed by the Research Support G of the Department of Research and Academia-Government-Community Collaboration Support, Office of Research and Academia-Government-Community Collaboration, with the cooperation of relevant departments, etc.

(Consultation desk)

Article 14. In order to respond to consultations, etc. related to ensuring research integrity, a consultation desk shall be established at the Research Support G of the Department of Research and Academia-Government-Community Collaboration Support, Office of Research and Academia-Government-Community Collaboration.

2 The persons in charge of the consultation desk in the previous paragraph shall be the group leader and chief of the general affairs of the Research Support G of the Department of Research and Academia-Government-Community

Collaboration Support, Office of Research and Academia-Government-Community Collaboration.

(Miscellaneous provisions)

Article 15. In addition to the stipulations of these regulations, other necessary matters relating to ensuring research integrity shall be provided separately.

Supplementary Provisions

This regulation shall come into effect from 07 23,2024.