Conflict of Interest (COI) Training

Fresno State uses Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) Program to provide foundational training on the PHS regulations associated with financial conflicts of interests.

How to Complete the Training

1. Visit the CITI program website: https://about.citiprogram.org/en/homepage/
2. Login or register for a new account. (Be sure to select **California State University, Fresno** as your institution during the registration process).
3. During registration, add the COI course to your queue.
4. Complete the course. CITI will provide confirmation of successful completion of the course directly to Fresno State's Research Compliance Office.

FAQs

Who is required to complete CITI Conflict of Interest Training?
Principal investigators and key personnel are required to complete financial conflict of interest training prior to engaging in research related to any PHS-funded grant or contract and every four (4) years after award for the life of the grant or contract.

Will I receive a certificate of completion?
Yes, CITI will issue a completion certificate/report once you finish the mandatory course.

Will I need to renew my certificate?
Yes. CITI Conflict of Interest Training is valid for four years and must be renewed while the grant or contract is active.

How long does it take to complete the required course?
Most learners complete the CITI Conflict of Interest Training in 2-4 hours. You can stop and begin anytime. Save your work before you exit, and remember your user name and password.

Questions

If you have any questions regarding the CITI Program or need guidance in the registration and course selection process, please contact our Research Compliance Officer, Svetlana Bagdasarov, at svetlanab@mail.fresnostate.edu.