

<p>Research Office</p> <p>IACUC</p>	<p><b>POLICY – Requirements for Animal Care &amp; Use Program Participants</b></p>	<p>IACUC Approved:</p> <p>12/10/2014</p>
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## **POLICY - Training, Education, & Occupational Health and Safety Requirements for Animal Care and Use Program**

Oregon State University’s program for the care and use of animals must provide for both the welfare of the animals and the health and safety of the people involved. There are requirements for education, training, and medical clearance for all persons who work with, or are exposed to live vertebrate animals, non-sanitized tissues, related allergens, and/or waste products.

ACUP participants and other individuals, including employees, students, volunteers, visiting scholars and others, are expected to complete all applicable requirements. Specific requirements depend on the animal activity, the extent of participant involvement, and an assessment of the risks involved. All participation requirements must be completed before the start of animal-related activities, and associated documentation must be completed and available upon request.

To ensure the welfare and safety of vertebrate **animals** used at OSU, all participants must receive education in animal welfare, and be adequately trained in, and appropriately qualified for any specific procedures in which they will participate.

To ensure the welfare and safety of **persons** involved in OSU animal care and use, participants must be adequately educated about inherent risks and safety strategies associated with any proposed animal use, and must undergo medical review and clearance to monitor health (consistent with the requirements of the OSU Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) program) while exposed to animals within OSU’s program.

Compliance with the components of this Policy, for employees, students, and non-OSU personnel, is ultimately the responsibility of the Principal Investigator, Facility Manager, and/or administrative unit. Additional information regarding the specific requirements for, and documentation of, animal welfare training, procedure-specific training, and OHS enrollment and clearance may be found by following the appropriate links below.

**Related Guidance:**

**Training, Education, and Occupational Health & Safety Requirements – [Guideline](#)**