

International University of Japan Code of Conduct for Researchers

(Translation)

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In order to ensure trust, reliability and fairness in academic research as well as to be held accountable to the society as an academic research institution, the International University of Japan (hereinafter referred to as “IUJ”) shall designate that the following Code of Conduct for Researchers will apply to all those who are engaged in research activities at IUJ (hereinafter referred to as “Code of Conduct”). Researchers must comply with the Code of Conduct, properly manage their scientific research and make every effort to contribute widely to developing society through their research.

1. Prevention of misconduct cases in scientific research

Researchers must not commit or take part in any misconduct such as fabrication, falsification of research data or plagiarism in publications, and above all must make every effort to prevent any misconduct by thoroughly applying themselves to strict management in handling, recording and filing of research data and resources in the research processes including planning, proposing, implementing and reporting research.

2. Responsibilities of researchers

Researchers shall be responsible for ensuring the quality of scientifically specialized knowledge they produce, and shall be responsible for contributing to human welfare, social security and safety and sustainable global environment by applying their expertise, skills and experiences.

3. Self-discipline

Researchers shall make every effort to improve their expertise and capability and must make continued efforts to approach, understand from a wider viewpoint, and best evaluate the relationships between scholarship and the social and ecological environment.

4. Fair management of scientific research

Researchers shall be responsible for proper management in handling, recording and filing of research data and resources in the research processes and must make every effort to smoothly implement their research.

5. Respect for human rights and protection of personal information

Researchers must conduct all their research at IUJ respecting human rights and must make every effort to protect personal information obtained in their research processes.

6. Publication of research outputs and accountability

Researchers shall proactively publicize their research outputs, while complying with section 5 above and be held accountable for the scientific and social significance of their research, pursuant to ensuring the transparency of their research.

7. Compliance

Researchers must conduct their research in compliance with laws and relevant regulations, this Code of Conduct and IUJ regulations.

8. Appropriate use of research fund

Researchers must make every effort to use research fund appropriately in compliance with the rules and conditions designated by their respective research funding sources, recognizing that the research funds have been publicly trusted from student tuitions, subsidies and grants from national and local government and companies.

9. Appropriate actions against conflict of interest

Researchers must be very careful to avoid possible conflicts of interest caused by their research and make every effort to prevent possible harm associated with it.

10. Responsibility of those who assist research

All those who assist research at IUJ shall not take any actions against this Code of Conduct and shall make every effort to take preventive measures against misconduct in research and to assist research activities and develop the research environment pursuant to this Code of Conduct.

11. Responsibility of IUJ

IUJ shall develop and implement the plans for necessary enlightenment and education in regard to research ethics in pursuit of making this Code of Conduct feasible and raising researchers' awareness of research ethics.