Annual Statement on Research Integrity

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Supporting High Quality Research

The University of Lincoln is committed to encouraging research of the highest quality by supporting good research

aspects of their research.

Review the University's training provision for Research Integrity and Ethics training, with a view that the revised training will become mandatory for all staff / students undertaking research – supported by HR.

Research Misconduct

The University of Lincoln expects all staff, students, and non-members conducting research on University premises to observe the highest standards of ethics and integrity.

The Deputy Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation has overall responsibility for research integrity, and the University's <u>Procedure for the Investigation of Misconduct of Research</u> (UKRIO) outlines the steps to follow in potential cases of research misconduct.

Anyone wishing to raise concerns about the integrity of research can do so in confidence by contacting:

Professor Tim Hodgson (UKRIO Named Person): 01522 86159 or thodgson@lincoln.ac.uk

Professor Jon Whitehead (UKRIO Deputy Named Person): 01522 835886 or jwhitehead@lincoln.ac.uk.

Further information may be sought from the university's Research Governance Manager Sam Lewis on 01522 835490 or by emailing samlewis@lincoln.ac.uk.

Records of Investigations of Research Misconduct shall be kept for 6 years in line with University of Lincoln JISC retention schedule.

Summary of Investigations of Research Misconduct

When investigating allegations of research misconduct, the University follows its Procedure for the Investigation of Misconduct of Research.

The table below sets out the overview of investigations and findings in relation to research misconduct covering both staff and postgraduate research (PGR) students.

	Number of formal investigations completed			Number of allegations upheld (in whole or in part)		
Academic Year	2017/2019	2018/2019	2019/2020	2017/2019	2018/2019	2019/2020
Fabrication	0	0	0	0	0	0
Falsification	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plagiarism	0	0	0	0	0	0
Misrepresentation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Breach of duty of care	0	0	0	0	0	0
Improper dealing with allegations of misconduct	0	0	0	0	0	0