Genetics & Genome Sciences Graduate Program
Responsible Conduct of Research
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Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) requirements for PhD students in the Genetics & Genome Sciences Program will be completed based on the following schedule. Students will record the topic, format and date of all training activities on their annual report submitted to the Genetics & Genome Sciences Program office. Training activities will be recorded in the Ability LMS. On-line CITI modules and Graduate School workshops will be recorded automatically in Ability. The GGS office will submit GGS sponsored RCR discussions to the Ability system. All RCR records from Ability will be posted to a student’s GradPlan. GradPlan will be the official record and compliance with RCR requirements will be tracked in GradPlan.

Year 1
Complete four required CITI online modules
- CITI-3588-WBT: CITI Introduction to RCR (RCR-Basic)
- CITI-2101-WBT: Authorship (RCR-Basic)
- CITI-2107-WBT: Research Misconduct (RCR-Basic)
- CITI-2883-WBT: Plagiarism (RCR-Basic)

Note that these modules will be completed during the first year of enrollment while students are officially part of the BioMolecular Science Gateway.

Year 2
Complete three CITI online modules (selected from the following list)
- CITI-2102-WBT: CITI Collaborative Research (RCR-Basic)
- CITI-2103-WBT: CITI Conflicts of Interest (RCR-Basic)
- CITI-2104-WBT: CITI Data Management (RCR-Basic)
- CITI-2105-WBT: CITI Mentoring (RCR-Basic)
- CITI-2106-WBT: CITI Peer Review (RCR-Basic)
- CITI-2321-WBT: CITI Financial Responsibility (RCR-Basic)

Complete at least six hours of discussion-based training before taking comprehensive exams
- This requirement may be met by participating in workshops in the Graduate School RCR Workshop Series, or by participating in RCR discussions sponsored by GGS or other graduate programs, or through group or one-on-one discussions facilitated by faculty mentors.

Year 3 forward
Three hours per year of annual refresher training
- Training activities may be selected to coincide with activities pursued by the faculty advisor’s laboratory
- Activities may include:
  - Graduate School Workshop
  - On-line Module
  - Workshop/Forum
  - Seminar
  - Lab Meeting
  - One-on-One Discussion
- At least one session of the GGS Research Forum each year will be dedicated to discussion of an RCR topic, and participation in these sessions will partially or completely fulfill the annual refresher training requirement. The GGS office will submit attendance for these sessions to the Ability system.