

(Tentative Translation) Code of Conduct for Researchers
at the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies

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Any research at the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (hereinafter referred to as the “Institute” in this Code of Conduct) shall be conducted under the following Code of Conduct.

(Responsibility of Researchers)

Article 1 A person who engages in research at the Institute (hereinafter referred to as a “Researcher” in this Code of Conduct) shall have responsibility for maintaining the quality of the special knowledge and skills that he/she generates and for contributing to the general health and welfare, social security and peace, and sustainability of the global environment by using his/her special knowledge, skills, and experiences.

(Conduct of Researchers)

Article 2 A Researcher shall be aware of that the autonomy of science is built on trust and on a mandate from society, and shall always make judgments and act honestly and faithfully. A Researcher shall also make his/her best effort to present the accuracy or validity of the knowledge that is generated by his/her scientific research scientifically.

(Explanation and Publication)

Article 3 A Researcher shall publish the significance and the role of the research that he/she engages in and explain them proactively; evaluate possible the impacts or changes brought about by the research on the public, society, and the environment; publish the results from a neutral and objective perspective; and shall endeavor to build productive communication with society.

(Research Activity)

Article 4 A Researcher shall act faithfully in accordance with the intent of this Code of Conduct in the processes of drafting, planning, applying, implementing, reporting, etc., his/her research. The Researcher shall ensure thorough control over the recording and archiving of research and investigation data and ensure a strict handling thereof, and shall

not perform nor participate in unlawful acts, such as fabrication, manipulation, fraudulent use, etc.

(Development of the Research Environment)

Article 5 A Researcher shall be aware of the importance of his/her responsibility to establish and maintain a fair environment that enables the implementation of responsible research and the prevention of unlawful acts, and shall proactively engage in the improvement of the research environment to which he/she is affiliated. In addition, the Researcher shall endeavor to obtain the understanding and cooperation of society in order to accomplish these objectives.

(Compliance with Laws and Regulations)

Article 6 A Researcher shall comply with laws and regulations when implementing research, using funds for research, etc.

(Consideration of Research Subjects)

Article 7 A Researcher shall respect the personality and human rights of his/her collaborators and consider their welfare.

(Conflict of Interest)

Article 8 A Researcher shall pay full attention to conflicts of interest between an individual and an organization, or between different organizations with respect to his/her research, investigations, evaluations, judgments, etc., and shall respond to them appropriately in consideration of public nature.

(Duties of Non-Faculty Staff)

Article 9 Non-faculty staff members shall understand that a Researcher implements his/her research under this Code of Conduct, comply with laws and regulations, and support the Researcher.