

### **Transparency in Research: Foreign Influence**

Chapman University supports international collaborations and values its partnerships with academic institutions and other organizations worldwide. When engaging in these collaborative relationships, it is important that all members of Chapman's research community understand and comply with current regulatory requirements.

In response to the US federal government's growing concerns related to undue foreign influence on academic research, multiple federal agencies have issued new requirements regarding transparency and international collaborations. These guidelines reiterate the commitment of US agencies to promoting and protecting federally funded research and innovation from the risk of illicit appropriation, influence, and theft by foreign governments. National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Science Foundation (NSF), Department of Energy (DOE), Department of Defense (DoD), and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) have issued directives about safeguarding US knowledge and intellectual property with the intent of reminding the research community of their obligations regarding foreign entities and federally funded activities.

Chapman University researchers are reminded that they must disclose all current and pending support and affiliations, whether paid or unpaid, foreign or domestic, in their sponsored research proposals and/or other sponsor-required documentation. This includes any involvement in "foreign talent" (recruitment) programs. Researchers are also reminded of their obligation to complete the University [Financial Conflict of Interest](#) (COI) disclosure, and to update that disclosure should new collaborations arise.

Please see information below in the following tabs for a summary of the key agencies' guidance related to foreign influence and the reporting obligations that fall to researchers.