

WILKES UNIVERSITY
CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN SPONSORED RESEARCH POLICY

These guidelines define Wilkes University's policy and procedures regarding conflicts of interest in relationship to sponsored projects and sponsored research. The guidelines are responsive to requirements of the National Science Foundation ([Section 510 of the Grant Policy Manual](#)) and the Public Health Service 2011 revised regulation on *Promoting Objectivity in Research* (42 CFR Part 50, Subpart F). They are intended to protect the credibility and integrity of the University's faculty and staff and to ensure compliance with Federal financial conflict of interest regulations.

Wilkes University has no interest in interfering with faculty and staff in their pursuit of legitimate outside interests. The University does, however, have a responsibility to manage, reduce or eliminate any actual or potential conflicts of interest that may be presented by a financial interest of an investigator.

