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2017-2018 Annual Report

**UCEC Members:**

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**Ex officio:** Mr. Owen Lefkon *Research Integrity Officer (RIO)*

**Mission (from Faculty Constitution, Article V, Section 7)**

"The University Committee on Ethics and Commitment shall deal with questions of misconduct in research, scholarship, or creative endeavor; conflict of commitment; and facilities misuse; and receive reports from the Research Integrity Officer. In its deliberations it will use the current versions of the University policies on research integrity, professional commitment and proper facilities use."

See also the inquiry function of the UCEC as described in UHAP 2.13.09: "Policy and Procedures for Investigations of Misconduct in Scholarly, Creative and Research Activities."

The committee held two Inquiry Panels during the 2017-2018 academic year. The first Panel investigated a complaint of academic integrity dated June 30, 2017. The Panel investigated and interviewed witnesses. The Panel submitted a report with Findings and Recommendations to Owen Lefkon, Research Integrity Officer on October 6, 2017.

A second Inquiry Panel was convened for an academic integrity complaint dated September 22, 2017. The Panel investigated and interviewed witnesses. The Panel submitted a report with Findings and Recommendations to Owen Lefkon, Research Integrity Officer on December 11, 2017.



The Committee's Annual Meeting was held on August 23, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul Bennett  
Chair, UCEC

