

## THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA® UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE ON ETHICS AND COMMITMENT

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## 2018-2019 Annual Report

## **UCEC Members:**

Dr. Julie Ledford, CHAIR (6/16-5/19) (COM-T)

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Dr. Sheila Gephart (6/16-5/19) (NUR)

Dr. Elizabeth Oglesby (6/16-5/19) (SBS)

Ex officio: Mr. Scott Pryor 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 2018-2019 academic year. The Panel investigated a complaint of academic integrity dated November 28, 2019 (2018-11) and another one dated January 25, 2019 (2018-14). Two separate panels were called to service, which reviewed the evidence and interviewed witnesses. The Panel submitted a report with Findings and Recommendations to Scott Pryor for case 2018-11, Research Integrity Officer on March 14, 2019. The investigation for 2018-14 is still ongoing due the nature of the data analysis needed from outside sources.

The Committee's Annual Meeting was held on September 10, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Julie Ledford Chair, UCEC