



Foreign Influence Guidance and Disclosures

1. External Employment Disclosures – System Regulation

[31.05.01 Faculty Consulting and External Professional Employment](#)

Complete the form at [System Faculty Consulting and External Professional Employment Application and Approval](#). Additionally, complete the [Faculty Consulting and External Professional Employment Addendum](#)

[31.05.02 External employment](#) (Staff)

Complete the form at [External Employment Application and Approval Form](#)

2. Financial Conflict of Interest – System Regulation

[15.01.03 Financial Conflict of Interest in Sponsored Research](#)

The [Definitions](#) Section explains Conflict of Interest and Significant Financial Interest that need to be disclosed.

This is completed in Maestro.

3. Federal sponsors – There is an increased emphasis on foreign influence. The guidance is to disclose in Current & Pending or Other Support. This can be visiting professor positions or Chair positions.

[NIH](#) – very broad – access to resources – paid or unpaid

[NIH FAQs](#) – offer good explanations – when in doubt, disclose.

[NSF](#) – clarification to 1978 requirement to disclose all sources of support, foreign and domestic.

[DOE](#) – requirements regarding foreign talent programs

[DOD](#) – key personnel to disclose all current and pending projects, time commitment to other projects, and funding sources.

4. [Office of Science and Technology](#) will be holding meetings at academic institutions to talk to researchers and students on research security.

5. On occasion, faculty serve as a host to a visitor or intern. As the host, please be aware of the approval process for each type of situation. Please contact [Texas A&M AgriLife Ethics & Compliance](#) for approval and paperwork processing at exportcontrols@ag.tamu.edu

6. [General Reminders](#) -

Relationships need to be disclosed

Considerations –

Where are you going?

How long will you be gone?

Need to notify sponsor if more than 3 months
Need to formally assign an alternate host for visiting scholars if more than 2 weeks
Need to determine who can manage export-controlled projects

ANY AGREEMENTS ON BEHALF OF TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE MUST BE SIGNED BY AN AUTHORIZED PERSON.