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Visiting Researcher/Scholar (VRS) Agreement
(No Home Employer/Institution)

- A Visiting Researcher/Scholar (VRS) accessing work, facilities, and other resources at the University of Georgia does so in order to collaborate with UGA faculty and staff on UGA research or other scholarly projects through UGA's structured VRS Program, which collaboration enables the performance of the UGA research or scholarly projects or other UGA functions.

- A Visiting Researcher/Scholar (VRS) accessing work and facilities at the University of Georgia does so on behalf of UGA in carrying out UGA's functions. The activities of a VRS are for the mutual benefit of the VRS and UGA, and those activities directly benefit UGA.

- Participation at UGA as a VRS does not create an employment relationship with UGA. A VRS will receive no stipend or other payment from UGA (other than honoraria) for any activities as a VRS. A VRS is not entitled to participate in UGA benefit programs such as workers' compensation or health insurance offerings.

- A VRS must follow applicable UGA policies, procedures, and guidelines to the same extent as UGA employees.

- A VRS will maintain in confidence all information or material that UGA and/or the University of Georgia Research Foundation, Inc. (UGARF) are required to maintain in confidence through a contract, grant, or other agreement with a third party or through government regulation or by any other requirement.

  ☐ *Check here if a custom Data Use Agreement has been negotiated with UGA's Innovation Gateway Office and is included with this Visiting Researcher/Scholar Agreement.*

- Additionally, until publication or other dissemination is agreed upon in writing by UGA and the VRS, A VRS will maintain in confidence all information, data, and materials obtained from or through UGA as a result of VRS relationship.

- Absent a separate agreement with different terms, a VRS is considered part of University Personnel for the purpose of the UGA Intellectual Property Policy, and all terms of that policy apply to A VRS. All research and scholarly activities performed by a VRS as part of the UGA visit are considered assigned efforts under the UGA Intellectual Property Policy.

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- If a VRS uses the resources of UGA Libraries, the VRS will not use these resources for commercial or monetary gain and may not use these resources to benefit or create profit for the company/business with which the VRS is affiliated.

- A VRS must maintain accurate and complete laboratory notebooks, data, and other electronic or written documentation that are appropriate given the nature of the On-Campus VRS's work at UGA. A VRS does not personally own any such items and must turn over to UGA and/or UGARF all materials generated in performance of activities as A VRS, and all copies thereof, if requested.

After signatures are obtained below, the individual signing as a VRS remains subject to additional review and processing. The individual's signature on this document is not a guarantee that VRS status will be conferred. VRS status is effective only with the issuance of a UGAID.

Visiting Researcher/Scholar (VRS). I agree to the terms of this Agreement in my role as a VRS (if granted).

By (Signature): _____

Name (Print): _____

Date: _____

UGA Faculty Sponsor: *Please read and sign the agreement on page 2.*

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The UGA Faculty Sponsor agrees to/confirms the following:

1. The UGA Faculty Sponsor agrees to act as sponsor of the Visiting Researcher/Scholar (VRS) and is responsible for overseeing the activities of the VRS.

2. The activities of the VRS are for the benefit of UGA and the UGA Faculty Sponsor acknowledges that the VRS meets this requirement.

3. Any required unit level approvals have been obtained to sponsor this VRS (i.e., Department Head, Director or Dean approval).

4. The UGA Faculty Sponsor has confirmed that the UGA subscription agreement of any 3rd party systems the VRS will use allows access by UGA affiliates that are not UGA employees or students.

5. Some data that will be shared with the VRS may be sensitive, restricted by law or regulation, and/or restricted by contract with third parties, which may necessitate a data use agreement to be signed between UGA and the VRS. The UGA Faculty Sponsor has carefully considered issues of data sharing and has contacted Innovation Gateway to request a custom data use agreement if they suspect such an agreement may be necessary or prudent. *(If a custom data use agreement was implemented, the custom data use agreement box is checked on page one of this document and the custom data use agreement is included with this standard VRS agreement.)*

6. The UGA Faculty Sponsor has reviewed SPA's Pre and Post Award Disclosures linked below and determined if hosting this VRS requires disclosure. Many federal agencies require specific disclosures in the Biographical Sketch, Other Support/Current and Pending Support and Facilities, Equipment, and Other Resources at the time of proposal and throughout the lifespan of active sponsored projects. The required disclosures vary by sponsor; however, several agencies require the disclosure of Postdoctoral scholars, students, or visiting scholars who are supported by a non-UGA entity regardless of the individual's involvement on the proposed or active project. To aid in identifying each agency's requirements for disclosure, please carefully review SPA's Pre and Post Award Disclosures: Other Support document found here.

UGA Faculty Sponsor. I agree to the terms of this Agreement.

By (Signature): _____

Name (Print): _____

Date: _____

For the visit of (VRS Name – Printed/Typed): _____