

Examples of COI

The following examples illustrate the range of activities that might constitute a conflict of interest:

1. Accepting gratuities or special favors from companies doing business or sponsoring one's research at the University or related entities
2. Accepting over-scale honoraria for lectures at companies whose economic or political interests are affected by an investigator's research
3. Performing evaluative research for a company in which the investigator has a financial interest
4. Accepting a paid consultancy with a company having an interest in your research
5. Using students to perform services for a company in which you have a financial interest
6. Assigning as the required text for a course a book for which you receive royalties
7. Accepting a research contract with a restrictive publication clause
8. Providing privileged access to information developed with University or independent sponsorship to another entity in which you have a financial or political interest
9. Negotiating on behalf of the University for the purchase of materials from a company in which you have a financial interest
10. Influencing the negotiation of contracts, including research contracts or licensing contracts, between the University and a company in which you have a financial interest
11. Accepting gifts from a student whom you must evaluate
12. Providing or receiving financial bonuses for meeting subject recruitment targets or achieving stated results
13. Holding office or membership on a board or committee of an entity supporting your University research
14. Holding equity interests, including stock options, in an entity which supports your University research
15. Receiving present or future royalties or other remuneration from an entity supporting your research or licensing your intellectual property
16. Imposition of restrictions on the actions of students or trainees, including disclosure of research findings, at the request of a sponsor or financially interested company