

1 **Animal Subjects – Use in Research and Teaching**

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4 Contact: [Office for Responsible Research](#)

5 **Introduction**

6 The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) is mandated by the Health Research Extension Act
7 (HREA) of 1985 and the Animal Welfare Act.

8 **Policy Statement**

9 Before any animals are used, the IACUC must evaluate for compliance with federal law and university policy all
10 activities conducted by faculty, staff, or students involving the use of vertebrate animals. The review process is
11 intended to ensure that animals will be housed in an approved animal facility, appropriate plans are made to
12 relieve pain, the method of euthanasia is acceptable, personnel involved in the care and/or use of the animals
13 have training, veterinary care will be provided and non-animal alternatives have been considered.

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15 The IACUC must be informed if experimental procedures or personnel involved in a previously approved
16 protocol are changed. IACUC approval must be renewed annually for ongoing projects.

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18 Use of vertebrate animals for teaching must be approved by the IACUC prior to the use of live animals in a
19 course. IACUC approval must be renewed annually. Instructors must be familiar with the "Guidelines for the
20 Use of Vertebrate Animals in Teaching."

21 **Resources**

- 22 • [Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee \(IACUC\)](#)
- 23 • [IACUC Training Program, ISU Office for Responsible Research](#)
- 24 • [Policy: IACUC Review of Federally Funded Grant Applications](#)
- 25 • [Protocol Review Forms](#)
- 26 • [Office for Responsible Research](#)
- 27 • [Federal Regulations and Guidelines - Animal Subjects](#)
- 28 • [Guidelines for the Use of Live Vertebrate Animals in Teaching \[PDF\]](#)