Agreement to Provide and Monitor Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Training

As the principal investigator for the NSF project, “Title”, (#      ) (ASU #     ), I accept responsibility for ensuring that all undergraduate students, graduate students and any postdoctoral researchers supported by this NSF-funded research project (“the NSF project”) complete the required RCR training stipulated in Appalachian State University’s Plan for Training Students in the Responsible Conduct of Research (“the Plan”).

I understand the following:

* The term “supported” is defined as any undergraduate or graduate student/postdoctoral researcher who receives salary support, funding for their research expenses, or volunteers his/her time and effort on the NSF project.
* The required training is comprised of the ASU designated online RCR course and experiential training (e.g., facilitated discussion, discipline specific mentoring) that includes at least three of the ten identified instructional areas in the Plan which are appropriate to the research topic or discipline. The topic of research misconduct must be one of the selected topics. In addition, the topic of human subject research must be a selected topic if human subjects are involved in the research and the topic of animal subjects selected if animal use is part of the research.
* Each supported student must complete the required training by the last day of classes during the first full semester of their participation in NSF project.
* After a student completes the required RCR training, I will complete an RCR Training Certification Form and submit it to Research Protections for record keeping.
* Non-compliance with this plan jeopardizes Appalachian’s ability to receive federal funding.

Agreed and Accepted:

Principal Investigator Date

Printed Name

Research Protections Staff Member Date

Printed Name