Effective January 28, 2019, the National Science Foundation (NSF) revised its Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG) to contain a new policy statement in Chapter II.E.7., Conference Proposals that requires NSF-sponsored conference awardee organizations to have a policy or code of conduct that addresses sexual harassment, other forms of harassment, and sexual assault.

The policy further requires that the awardee organization establish clear and accessible means for reporting violations that occur at conferences. This policy or code of conduct must be disseminated to all participants in advance of the event. In addition, NSF is encouraging awardee organizations who use NSF award funds to send individuals to field stations, vessels, summer schools, etc., to implement promising practices to ensure the safety of individuals, to include providing clear reporting mechanisms.

Below are statements approved by CSU legal counsel and the Office of Equal Opportunity for inclusion in conference materials regarding the NSF requirement:

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The Policy identifies the Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) as the office that handles reports of discrimination and harassment in employment or educational opportunity, including sexual harassment complaints involving both students and non-student Covered Persons. For detailed information on complaint procedures, please visit the Office of Equal Opportunity.

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