Four workshops on research ethics and the responsible conduct of research (RCR) will be offered for postdoctoral fellows at Indiana University-Bloomington in March and April, 2009. The workshops, described below, are free of charge. Participation in all four workshops is encouraged but not required. A similar series of workshops has been offered twice (Spring and Fall 2008).

All workshops will be led by Kenneth D. Pimple, Ph.D., Director of Teaching Research Ethics Programs at the Poynter Center for the Study of Ethics and American Institutions (856-4986). To register, complete the form at http://poynter.indiana.edu/pdrcr/ at least 24 hours before the workshop(s) you want to attend. Space is limited, making registration important for planning.

The workshops will meet at the Poynter Center, 618 East Third Street, from 4:00-5:30 pm. The Poynter Center is directly across 3rd Street from the Law School.

See https://oncourse.iu.edu/access/content/user/pimple/PostdocRCR.pdf for more information.

Join the “Postdoc RCR” Oncourse site for more information; all workshop readings are available in the Resources section. See http://kb.iu.edu/data/arcj.html for instructions on how to “join” an Oncourse site.

Monday, March 23
Collaboration and authorship

We will discuss some of the challenges that can arise in collaborative research, including ethical principles and policies regarding determining authorship credit, negotiating power relationships, and resolving disagreements. (Note that three of the readings are only one or two pages long.)

To read before the workshop:
Monday, March 30
Data ownership, access, and sharing

We will discuss ethical and technical aspects of data ownership, data stewardship, data access, and data sharing.

To be read before the workshop:

Monday, April 6
Integrity and misconduct

We will discuss the Federal definition of research misconduct, its implications for research practice, and strategies for coping with suspected research misconduct.

To be read before the workshop:

Monday, April 13
Human subjects

We will discuss ethical principles that guide research with human subjects and the regulatory structure (national and institutional) intended to ensure the protection of human subjects of research.

To be read before the workshop: