

*Basics in Responsible Conduct of Research*

Roles and Responsibilities  
of the Ombudsman

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# Ombudsman Roles

- Listen
- Provide information
- Brainstorm options
- Seek explanations
- Make referrals
- Advise regarding rights and responsibilities



# The Setting

- Confidential
- Neutral
- Informal



# Faculty and Staff Concerns

## Issues:

- Underperforming or difficult graduate students
- Graduate staff appointments
- Students with disabilities
- Harassment
- Admission and plan of study-related situations



# Graduate Student Concerns

## Issues:

- Major professors
- Academic difficulties/concerns
- Graduate School/University offices and processes
- Range of other concerns



# Referrals and Assistance

- Human Resource Services
- Office of the Dean of Students
- Office of the Vice President for Research
- Office of the Vice President for Human Relations



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