Reitaku University Research Data Policy

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Reference English Translation

Reitaku University (hereinafter referred to as “the University”), guided by its founding philosophy of “the unity of knowledge and virtue” (Chitoku Ittai), has a mission to contribute to the development of society through academic research.

Research data collected or generated through research activities constitute important academic assets underpinning research outcomes. Appropriately managing such data and promoting their disclosure and reuse wherever possible contribute to ensuring the reliability and transparency of research, advancing scholarship, and returning the benefits of research to society.

In light of the “Basic Approach to the Management and Utilization of Research Data Supported by Public Funds” (April 27, 2021, Integrated Innovation Strategy Promotion Council), among other relevant initiatives, the University establishes this Policy to promote the appropriate management, preservation, disclosure, and reuse of research data.

1. Purpose

This Policy establishes the University’s basic principles for the appropriate management of research data and aims to contribute to the sound development of research activities and the advancement of academic research.

2. Definition of Research Data

For the purposes of this Policy, “research data” means information collected, generated, or obtained in the course of or as a result of research activities at the University, regardless of whether the medium is digital or non-digital.

3. Responsibilities of Researchers

Faculty members, staff members, research fellows, graduate students, and other persons engaged in research activities at the University (hereinafter referred to as “researchers”) shall exercise appropriate judgment and manage research data responsibly, taking into account applicable laws and regulations, contracts, internal university rules, research ethics, the characteristics of their research disciplines, and requirements established by research funding organizations and other relevant bodies.

4. Disclosure and Reuse of Research Data

Researchers shall promote the disclosure and reuse of research data wherever possible, taking into account the characteristics of their research disciplines. However, this shall not apply where disclosure is inappropriate due to personal information, sensitive information, intellectual property rights, trade secrets, security export controls, collaborative research agreements, or other legal or contractual restrictions.

5. Responsibilities of the University

To support researchers in appropriately managing research data, the University shall endeavor to develop the necessary environment and strengthen its support systems. The University shall also review this Policy as necessary in light of changes in social circumstances, academic developments, laws and regulations, and other relevant factors.

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