

All SUNO faculty, professionals, and students who are involved in research with human subjects must complete mandatory training on ethical research practices known as human subject protection training.

Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI)

The University is registered with the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) Program that provides web-based courses on research practices and ethics. CITI training is accepted as the standard for IRB training for hundreds of national universities and organizations and meets the requirement of the UNO IRB for human subject protection training. The CITI platform contains training modules for Biomedical research and Social Behavioral Science and Education research (SBE). Social behavioral and education research is the primary human subject research performed at the University of New Orleans.

The SBE Basic course provides an introduction to social-behavioral-educational research with a focus on the protection of human subjects. It offers historic and current information on regulatory and ethical issues important to the conduct of research involving human subjects. This course has been updated to reflect the revised Requirements of the Common Rule. This course is required for those researchers who study sociological, psychological, anthropological or educational phenomena using observational and survey methods, interviews, and work with population and/or epidemiological studies. Please note some funding agencies may require additional training.

To complete the training, you will study a series of online learning modules that cover the protection of human subjects. You will then be tested on the material in the modules. Completing the modules takes approximately 4 hours. Progress is saved so training can be completed at different times. Before you get started, please register as a new user and follow the instructions below.

How to Register

The Southern University of New Orleans is currently registered with the CITI Training Program. IRB training is mandatory for all SUNO faculty, professionals, and students participating in Human Subjects research. To register for the online training courses please follow the instructions below:

1. Go to the [CITI Program website](#).
2. Click on **Register**.
3. Under **Select Your Organization Affiliation**, type in " Southern University at New Orleans" and select the university from the drop-down that will appear.
4. Check the box stating that you agree to the Terms of Service and the Privacy Policy.
5. Check the box affirming that you are an affiliate of SUNO.
6. Click **Continue to Create Your CITI Program Username/Password**.
7. Enter all required information, then click **Continue To Step 3**.
8. Follow the instructions to create a username and password, then click **Continue To Step 4**.
9. Enter your country of residence and select the country from the drop-down that will appear.
10. Answer other questions, then click **Continue To Step 5**.
11. Answer questions regarding continuing education credits, then click **Continue To Step 6**.
12. Answer questions required by Southern University at New Orleans and provide your *official SUNO email address*, then click **Continue To Step 7**.
13. Answer laboratory animal welfare questions about your research.
14. Under "Responsible Conduct of Research," select **Not at this time**.
15. **If you are a SUNO employee, undergraduate or graduate student:**
 1. Under "Conflict of Interest (COI)," select **Yes**.
 2. Under "Human Subjects Research," select **Social Behavioral Education**.
16. **If you are a SUNO IRB committee member or administrator:**
 1. Under "Conflict of Interest (COI)," select **Yes**.

2. Under "Human Subjects Research," select **Social Behavioral Education AND IRB**.
17. Click **Complete Registration**.
18. Click **Finalize Registration**.
19. You may begin a course by clicking **Start Now**.