

Dear Sir or Madam,

Today we would like to inform you about the following online course:

RWTH online course: Scientific Integrity

Scientific work is based on the honesty of scientists towards themselves and others. This is both an ethical norm and the basis for good scientific practice. Ensuring the validity and application of these rules in practice is therefore a core task of science and universities.

In the context of the Online Course "Scientific Integrity", interdisciplinary relevant topics are presented with regard to good scientific practice. Based on the definition and principles of scientific integrity, the course covers aspects such as honesty, research criteria and quality criteria for good scientific research, ensuring good scientific practice, scientific misconduct, research ethics, research data management, responsibility for supervision and conflicts of interest as well as diversity and cooperation in science.

Topics Overview

1. WHAT IS SCIENTIFIC INTEGRITY?
2. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SAFEGUARDING SCIENTIFIC INTEGRITY
3. SCIENTIFIC MISCONDUCT
4. SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND RESEARCH ETHICS
5. DIVERSITY IN SCIENCE
6. DEALING WITH RESEARCH DATA AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Target Audience

doctoral candidates and all employees of RWTH Aachen University

The prerequisite for admission to doctoral studies according to the valid doctoral regulations is the completion of a course on "Scientific Integrity". In this sense, the completion of the RWTH online course "Scientific Integrity" or an equivalent achievement is recognised. If this online course or an equivalent achievement has already been completed as part of a Bachelor's or Master's degree programme at RWTH, the achievement does not have to be repeated. The respective doctoral committee decides on the recognition of equivalent achievements.

In addition, all employees of RWTH Aachen University who have a TIM log in can participate in the course.

The online course is offered via a recurring RWTHmoodle learning room. This includes all content (slides, videos, literature) in both German and English.

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