

LSU PM-76 Training

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Agenda

- Internal Audit at LSU
- <u>Permanent Memoranda (PM) 76</u> Detection, Reporting, and Investigation of Incidents of Financial Irregularity
- LSU Ethics & Integrity Hotline
- Questions





Internal Audit at LSU

- Part of LSU yet organizationally independent
- Established by Audit Charter
- Our goal is to help the University accomplish its objectives by evaluating and improving the effectiveness of risk management, control, and governance processes.





Internal Control

- Who is responsible for establishing internal controls?
- Who is responsible for ensuring they are operating?
- Who is responsible for identifying when controls are not working or are being circumvented?
- Management is responsible for all





Three Lines of Defense

- 1st Line: Management Controls
- 2nd Line: Risk control and compliance oversight
- 3rd Line: Internal Audit





The Three Lines of Defense Model



Adapted from ECIIA/FERMA Guidance on the 8th EU Company Law Directive, article 41

• https://na.theiia.org/news/Pages/The-Three-Lines-of-Defense-in-Effective-Risk-Management-and-Control-Is-Your-Organization-Positioned-for-Success.aspx





<u>Permanent Memoranda (PM) 76</u> - Detection, Reporting, and Investigation of Incidents of Financial Irregularity

- PM was established August 1, 2014
- Defines 'financial irregularity'
- Establishes responsibility for reporting and investigating financial irregularities





Financial Irregularity includes but is not limited to:

- Misappropriation
- Misclassification
- Alteration or forgery
- Misuse / personal use
- False claims
- Identity theft
- Accepting or seeking anything of value

- Fraud or deceptive practice
- Intentional acts or omissions that violate LSU policy, procedure, or law regarding financial matters





Who is responsible for detecting and reporting financial irregularities?

- Management is responsible for the prevention and detection of financial irregularities and for ensuring that proper internal controls are in place to reduce the risk of such conduct.
- Management is responsible for reporting <u>known</u> or <u>suspected</u> issues and are authorized to take action within their scope of duties to prevent further loss.





Who is responsible for detecting and reporting financial irregularities?

- All LSU faculty, employees and students have an <u>affirmative duty</u> to report.
- A duty arises when a reasonable person is in possession of facts that a possible incident of financial irregularity under this policy has occurred.
- A knowing failure to report an incident covered by this policy may be subject to disciplinary action.
- "Reprisal or retaliation of any kind against a person who reports a financial irregularity will not be tolerated."

Initial Detection of Occupational Frauds



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How should known or suspected financial irregularities be reported?

- Report to your immediate superior;
- Direct notification to the Internal Audit;
- Notification to an LSU administrator; or
- Anonymous telephone call (855-561-4099) or internet report <u>www.lsu.ethicspoint.com</u> to the LSU Ethics and Integrity Hotline
- If you as a supervisor receive a report, immediately notify Internal Audit.





Who is responsible for investigating financial irregularities?

- The Office of Internal Audit has the responsibility of responding to and investigating financial irregularities.
- IA, in coordination with General Counsel and the CFO, determines whether to request assistance of law enforcement.
- Upon conclusion of investigation, if there has been a misappropriation, IA notifies the DA and LLA as required by R.S. 24:523.





Duty to cooperate

- Employees are required to cooperate timely with investigations. This could include
 - Interviews
 - Providing documentation
 - Compiling necessary information
 - Responding to inquiries
- Please do not question employees or try to gather documents or facts on your own prior to reporting.





Quiz – Who investigates?

- Purchasing bid rigging (IA)
- Professor working at two Universities (IA)
- Stolen computer (Police)
- Missing petty cash (IA)
- Conflicts of interest (IA)
- Employees absent but not taking leave (IA)
- (IA =Internal audit)

- Inappropriate grant expenses (IA)
- Financial statement fraud (IA)
- Sexual harassment (HRM)
- NCAA Violations (Athletics Compliance)





Quiz – Who investigates?

- If you are unsure who to contact, the best course of action is to report via the LSU Ethics and Integrity web interface.
- Reports are reviewed and routed to the appropriate department for investigation.





Reports since implementation



Issue			
	1. Child Abuse	1	
	2. Conflict of Interest	1	
	3. Discrimination or Harassment	1	
	4. Employee Dishonesty	1	
	5. Nepotism or Favoritism	1	
	6. Payroll Fraud	2	
	7. P-Card Misuse and Abuse	2	
	8. Policy Violations	2	
	8. Scholarship/Financial Aid Misconduct	1	
	9. Theft/Embezzlement	2	
	10. Time Abuse	2	
	11. Waste, Abuse or Misuse of Institution Resources	1	
	Total	17	





Reports since implementation

Summary - Anonymous/Identified



Anonymous / Identified			
	1. Anonymous	8	
	2. Identified	9	
Total			





Reports since implementation

Summary - Intake Method



Intake Method		
	1. E-mail	3
	2. Employee Walk-In	1
	3. Hotline Phone	2
	4. Hotline Web	6
	5. Letter / Mail	1
	6. Phone	4
Total		





Questions?

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