Memorandum

Georgia Tech Provisions to Facilitate Federal Data Management Plan (DMP) Compliance

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To: GT Principal Investigators

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There are two primary elements to data management for compliance with federal funding agency recommendations: (i) maintenance of research data from federally funded projects, and (ii) sharing of data with the broader scientific community, upon request.

To address item (i), GT has acquired a campus-wide license for Dropbox, providing unlimited, ITAR-compliant cloud storage space for each faculty member on which to store research data. All faculty now have access to the Dropbox resource for data storage. Currently employed full-time faculty and staff can visit dropbox.gatech.edu and opt-into Georgia Tech Dropbox services. This service uses single-sign-on. If you have an existing account, dropbox.gatech.edu will walk you through the best options for moving to GT's tenant.

To address item (ii), each faculty member must develop his/her own plan for dissemination of research data, upon request, to individuals within the broader scientific community. GT does not seek to centrally manage how such data are made available to the community, and each PI should determine how to best comply with such requests. For some types of data, the GT resource SMARTech is available: http://d7.library.gatech.edu/research-data/data-archiving-guidelines

The primary location whereby faculty and staff can obtain information regarding data management plans is the library DMP page: http://d7.library.gatech.edu/research-data/data-management-plan-components

The Office of Sponsored Programs also has a DMP page: http://www.osp.gatech.edu/managing-data