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Research Security Update
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- International Travel Loaner Laptop Program
- Research Security Training Modules in Brainier
- Malign Foreign Talent Recruiting Programs
- TikTok ban

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International Travel Loaner Laptop Program

- Loaner laptops available to checkout for international travel.

- PCs

- Macbooks

- First come, first serve

- Minimal software; Borrowers will not be able to install new apps

- MS Office, security software, encryption

- Files should be stored in SharePoint or OneDrive

- Devices are wiped clean immediately upon return

- iPhones/Samsung phones later

- Webpage is under development

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Research Security Training in Brainier

- **Training is required by C&S act and NSPM-33**

- **Soon there will be a research security overview training in Brainier (PeopleSoft > Self Service > Learning Management – Brainier > search for 'research security')**

- **NSF funded the creation of 4 research security training modules – available in January 2024**
  - **The Importance of Research Security**
  - **The Importance of Disclosure**
  - **Risk Management and Mitigation**
  - **International Collaboration**
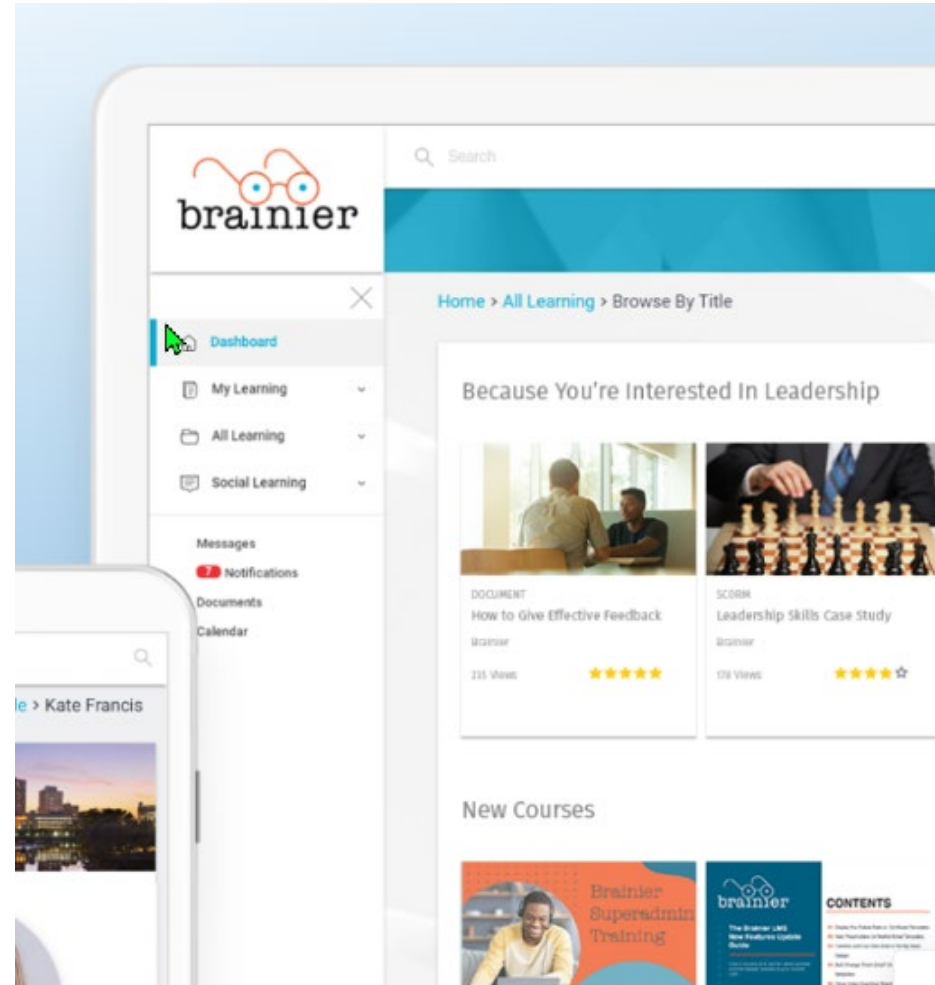
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FTRP Foreign Talent Recruitment Program
MFTRP Malign Foreign Talent Recruiting Program

- **CHIPS and Science Act** prohibits... awardees, including institutions, individual investigators, and other key personnel from participating in malign foreign talent recruitment programs(MFTRPs)

- It's **complicated**

- **FTRP** an effort organized, managed, or funded by any foreign government or entity, to recruit science and technology professionals or students

- **MFTRP** a talent program requiring one or more problematic actions and having problematic sponsorship

- **Basically, a program sponsored by either China, Russia, Iran, or N. Korea that requires a researcher to engage in unauthorized transfer of IP, amongst other activities...**

- **Effective August 2024**

- **FTRP must be disclosed; MFTRP Prohibited; Consequences**

- **§19231. Requirements for foreign talent recruitment programs**

- **For more information see RCRA's Research Security's Foreign Talent Recruitment web page**

Subtitle D--Research Security

Sec. 10631. Requirements for foreign talent recruitment programs.
Sec. 10632. Malign foreign talent recruitment program prohibition.
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How Does the CHIPS and Science Act Affect Research and Research Security?

The CHIPS and Science Act prohibits federal employees, contractors, and awardees, including institutions, individual investigators, and other key personnel from participating in malign foreign talent recruitment programs(MFTRPs). The CHIPS and Science Act also includes provisions requiring research security training for Federal research award personnel. It requires that Federal agencies establish a requirement that each covered individual listed on an award application completes research security training and that research institutions certify that this training has been provided.

What are Foreign Talent Recruitment Programs and Malign Foreign Talent

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TikTok Ban

- [FAR 52.204-27](#) must be included in all solicitations issued after June 2, 2023

- The new (interim rule) TikTok ban broadly prohibits contractors (awardees of federal funding) from having or using TikTok or other applications owned by [ByteDance](#) Limited, a privately held company headquartered in Beijing, China on any device used in the performance of a government contract. The ban applies regardless of whether the technology is owned by the government, Emory, or the Emory's employees, faculty, staff, visiting scholars, or students. Bottom line is that the rule has a broad reach.

- Individuals who have the TikTok application on a University or personally owned device (such as a computer or cell phone), and who use or intend to use such device in the performance of a federal contract that contains FAR clause 52.204-27, must immediately remove the TikTok application.

- An action plan, FAQ, webpage and communication is in the works.

- In the meantime, OSP is collecting an attestation from investigators submitting new proposals that their project will comply with the ban.

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TikTok Ban Possible Actions Under Consideration

- **Website**

- **FAQ**

- **Targeted communications to faculty & staff**

- **Targeted communication to students**

- **Block access on Emory network**

- **Block does not affect student residences network**

- **Researcher attestations**

- **Gather a list of official institutional TikTok accounts and assess needs**

- **Management by IT of Emory owned devices**

Questions/Comments?