Case Example

Dr. Smith has written a textbook from which he receives compensation. Each semester, he requires that his students purchase his textbook as required reading for the course.

Case Example Questions

* Does a conflict of interest exist?
* Does the individual need to disclose the conflict?
* Should the student be required to purchase the textbook written by the professor?

Case Example

Professor Dupont is a scientist working in the field of chemical safety. His lab conducts basic and applied research. In addition to research, Dr. Dupont also conducts contract testing for private firms and government organizations. Professor Dupont has been asked by chemical companies to work on a variety of chemical safety plans. The Chemco company has recently contracted with Professor Dupont for some consulting time during the next 12 months.

Case Example Questions

* Is Dr. Dupont using university resources for his consulting work?
* Are graduate students involved in the consulting work?
* Does Dr. Dupont have any financial interest in Chemco?
* Are Dr. Dupont’s research interests related to Chemco’s activities?