

Suspension and Debarment

Operating Details:

1.0 Policy Statement

Mississippi University for Women will not use funds from any source to purchase goods and/or secure services from vendors, contractors or sub-recipients who have been debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal or State assistance programs or activities. Any University employee who has been debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal or State assistance programs or activities will not be allowed to administer Federal funds on behalf of the University.

2.0 Purpose

This policy is based upon [Uniform Guidance §200.205](#) to outline the University's adherence to comply with the non-procurement debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Orders 12549 and 12689, 2 CFR part 180. These regulations restrict awards, sub-awards, and contracts with certain parties that are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal assistance programs or activities.

3.0 Definitions

3.1 Debarment - Action taken by the government to officially exclude a person or entity from participating in a Federal transaction.

3.2 Suspension - Disqualification from participating in Federal transactions for a period of time, because the company or individual is suspected of engaging in seriously improper conduct, which may lead to debarment.

4.0 Additional Information

4.1 Vendors or contractors' information will be verified by the Office of Resources Management on the (www.sam.gov) website prior to the issuance of a purchase order or subcontract. If a vendor is classified as debarred with a suspension date that precedes any agreement, the Office of Sponsored and Collaborative Projects will process a cost transfer from the Federal or State award.

5.0 Employee Adherence

Employees are required to adhere to these guidelines. Willful disregard of this policy shall be considered non-compliance and may result in a formal reprimand up to and including termination. The information stated in this policy pertains and applies to applicable employees, departments and funding sources of the University.