



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I-20-0009-O

Page 1 of 1

We investigated an allegation that a co-PI on an NSF award had an undisclosed affiliation with another institution. Our investigation determined that at the time of the proposal's submission, the co-PI had a part-time affiliation with the other institution, which was not disclosed to NSF. Subsequently, during the award, the co-PI took unpaid leave from the awardee university to take on a full-time position with the other institution. The co-PI's move was disclosed to NSF in an annual report and a request for a no-cost extension. The co-PI's part-time and full-time affiliations were fully disclosed to his university. We spoke with the NSF Program Officer (PO) who made the award recommendation. Based on the limited nature of the co-PI's involvement in the award, the PO did not think that the co-PI's undisclosed part-time commitment to the other institution would have affected the awarding decision.

This case is closed with no further action taken.