

**3341-6-16 Commercialization of BGSU Products.**

Applicability	All University units
Responsible Unit	The Vice President for Finance and Administration
Policy Administrator	Business Operations

**(A) Policy Statement and Purpose**

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §3345.14, Bowling Green State University's (BGSU) Board of Trustees has determined that employees of the institution may be afforded the opportunity to hold personal financial interests in companies commercializing technology developed in conjunction with their BGSU research and development activities.

**(B) Policy**

The Board recognizes that participation by employees of BGSU in the ownership and commercialization of technology and other intellectual property may increase the transfer of discoveries and knowledge generated at BGSU to the private marketplace by providing an incentive for faculty who develop inventions with commercial applications. The opportunity to participate in these transactions is also essential to BGSU's efforts to attract and retain highly qualified faculty, staff or student. The procedures and guidelines set forth in this policy are intended to enable the university to realize the benefits of these entrepreneurial activities while protecting the integrity of its research and educational mission and to comply with BGSU policies and applicable federal and state laws. These rules serve as an exception to the Ohio Ethics Law and related statutes [R.C. Chapter 102, R.C. §2921.42, R.C. §2921.43], which might otherwise apply. Matters outside the scope of these rules will be subject to such laws to the extent applicable.

\*See Commercialization of BGSU Products Procedures for more details

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