

## Animal Welfare Guideline

It is the Policy of Public Health Service (PHS) to require institutions to establish and maintain proper measures to ensure the appropriate care and use of all animals involved in research, research training, and biological testing activities conducted or supported by the PHS. (Public Health Service Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals)

SWOSU has established the Animal Care and Use Committee to review requests for and oversee use and care of the animal care facilities on campus and acts as an advisory council to the faculty. The Committee is composed of four (4) faculty members, one (1) member from the community who is not associated with the University, and an honorary veterinarian.

The SWOSU [Animal Use and Protocol Review Form](#) and the SWOSU [Animal Use Protocol Statement](#) should be completed and submitted to the Animal Care and Use Committee for review if animals or animal facilities are to be used in research training or testing at Southwestern Oklahoma State University.