Animal Use by Students as Part of Class Projects

I. The use of live animals in teaching is intended to enhance student learning and promote understanding and appreciation of the living resource.

II. Submission Procedure
   a. The Course Instructor will submit a Class Project Instructor application to the IACUC through ORSSP for approval under designated or full committee review.
   b. Once the class project application is approved, student project forms will be submitted to ORSSP.
   c. ORSSP will announce the project titles per the designated review SOP.
   d. If no committee member requests full committee review, ORSSP will assign the student forms to two members of the class project task force for review.
   e. Task group members will be asked to review student project forms and return comments or approval to ORSSP within 3 class days to accommodate the academic calendar.
   f. Class project approvals and correspondence will be copied to both the student and instructor.

III. Class Project Categories
   a. Observational Study
      i. Students must submit the class project student form to the Instructor
      ii. Reviewed by the instructor
      iii. Reviewed by 2 members of the IACUC class project task group
   b. Category C –
      i. Students must submit the class project student form to the Instructor
      ii. Reviewed by the instructor
      iii. Reviewed by 2 members of the IACUC class project task group
   c. Category D –
      i. Category D projects require review by the IACUC as an independent proposal.
      ii. Students must submit an IACUC application through the regular committee process.
   d. Category E –
      i. Category E projects may not be undertaken independently by a student.
      ii. Undergraduate students may serve as Co-investigator on a category E project under the direction of a faculty member. Graduate students may undertake a category E project with a faculty co-PI.
      iii. All category E projects must have a full reviewed by the IACUC through the regular committee process.
IV. IACUC task group structure
   a. The GSU IACUC will maintain a task group to review student projects submitted by to the task group through the instructor
   b. Task group composition will include 2 full IACUC members and 2 IACUC alternates duly appointed by the Institutional Officer.
   c. Task group responsibilities
      i. Each task group member will receive a copy of the instructor's approved class project IACUC application
      ii. Task group members will receive student applications from each class on a rotating basis after approval of the instructor’s class project.
      iii. Task group members will be eliminated from the rotation for any class for which they are also instructor.
      iv. Task group members who serve as full IACUC members will be exempted from non-student project designated review while reviewing student applications.

V. Class Project Tracking
   a. Each instructor class project proposal will be assigned an regular IACUC number consisting of I(for IACUC)-fiscal year-consecutive number. (e.g., I08001)
   b. Each student proposal will be assigned a related IACUC number – Instructors number-renewal year 1, 2 or 3 – Semester letter-consecutive number (e.g., I08001-1A01)
   c. Each semester is assigned a number as follows
      i. Fall (A)
      ii. Spring (B)
      iii. Summer 1 (C)
      iv. Summer 2 (D)
      v. Summer long (E)