

Closeout for M98110038

On November 1998, we contacted a graduate student¹ who had expressed concern on a public electronic bulletin board about misrepresentations of academic credentials (specifically possessing a Ph.D.) and the view that such misrepresentations are not significant. In her posting to the bulletin board, she wanted to know how she could "show/expose/correct this attitude." We contacted her to determine whether her concerns related to specific incidents pertaining to NSF funding or proposals. She said her concerns were "real," but told us she did not wish to pursue them. Although we have treated such concerns as allegations of misconduct in science in the past, without further information, we are unable to determine whether we have jurisdiction over her concerns, or how serious they might be.

This inquiry is closed and no further action will be taken in this case.

Cc: Integrity, IG

¹ Ms. [REDACTED] a student in the Department of [REDACTED] at the University [REDACTED]