



**Taking your laptop on a trip abroad?**

**Working with colleagues or students from other countries?**

**Speaking at an international conference?**

**Shipping a package overseas?**

**Doing business with other countries?**

## Then you need to know about **export control laws.**

Export controls protect national security and economic interests by regulating not only the movement of physical items across international borders, but also the sharing of controlled data, software, or research results by any means with a non-U.S. entity or individual anywhere.

### What happens if you are not compliant?

Penalties may include fines up to a million dollars per violation, imprisonment, and/or loss of federal funding or industry contracts.

The VUMC Export Compliance (VUMC EC) Office can guide you through these complex laws and regulations. We can help you determine how export controls might impact your projects, as well as keep you informed and compliant.

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