

SOLUTION BRIEF

Supplier Intelligence for Higher Education



Protect your institution from risky third-party vendors and research partners



Managing third-party vendor risk in universities

Universities are increasingly outsourcing critical functions—from dining and custodial services to student recruitment and online course administration—to improve efficiency and reduce costs. While outsourcing offers benefits, it also introduces significant risks, requiring institutions to carefully assess third-party vendors and research partners to prevent disruptions, protect research integrity, and ensure compliance with federal funding requirements.

Fragmented systems, manual processes, and departments operating autonomously make identifying high-risk suppliers and research partners increasingly complex and time-consuming without a centralized approach to risk management.

Craft provides one centralized platform for identifying, monitoring, and mitigating risk



Protect Funding

stay eligible for
federal research
funding and grants



Ensure compliance

with ESG sustainability
goals and ethical
practices



Save time and effort

with faster, easier due
diligence and sharing
across departments



Protecting Research Funding and Managing Risk in University Partnerships

Universities collaborate with a diverse range of research partners, including state-owned entities and international institutions, increasing the risk of technology transfer violations and foreign influence—especially amid heightened federal scrutiny on Chinese and Russian partnerships. To qualify for federal research funding, institutions must proactively assess and mitigate these risks through enhanced due diligence, disclosure requirements, and risk mitigation strategies. Without a comprehensive risk management approach, universities face delays, funding restrictions, or even disqualification from critical federal grants.

Craft enables universities to identify high-risk research partners, monitor foreign influence exposure, and ensure compliance with federal regulations and other funding requirements.

Foreign Influence

Craft helps you identify and monitor foreign influence risks including:

- Politically exposed people
- Foreign affiliations
- Foreign investors
- State-owned entities
- Technology transfer

Craft is the due diligence solution trusted by over **60 government organizations** including the U.S. Department of Defense





of a company or organizations
GHG emissions can come from
their supply chain, but most lack
visibility.

A centralized view of
third-party risk is essential
for universities to reach
sustainability goals

Ensure compliance with ESG goals

Universities face significant challenges in meeting ESG and sustainability goals due to complex supply chains, fragmented procurement systems, and a lack of standardized reporting. With thousands of suppliers across multiple departments, institutions struggle to track emissions, labor practices, and ethical sourcing, making compliance with sustainability commitments difficult.

Without centralized data and continuous monitoring, universities risk missing ESG targets, facing compliance violations, and suffering reputational damage.

Craft's robust supplier risk management platform enables institutions to gain visibility into supplier ESG performance, identify high-risk suppliers, and enforce sustainable procurement policies, ensuring that their supply chains align with climate, labor, and ethical responsibility goals.

ESG data tracked

Craft helps you identify and monitor risks including:

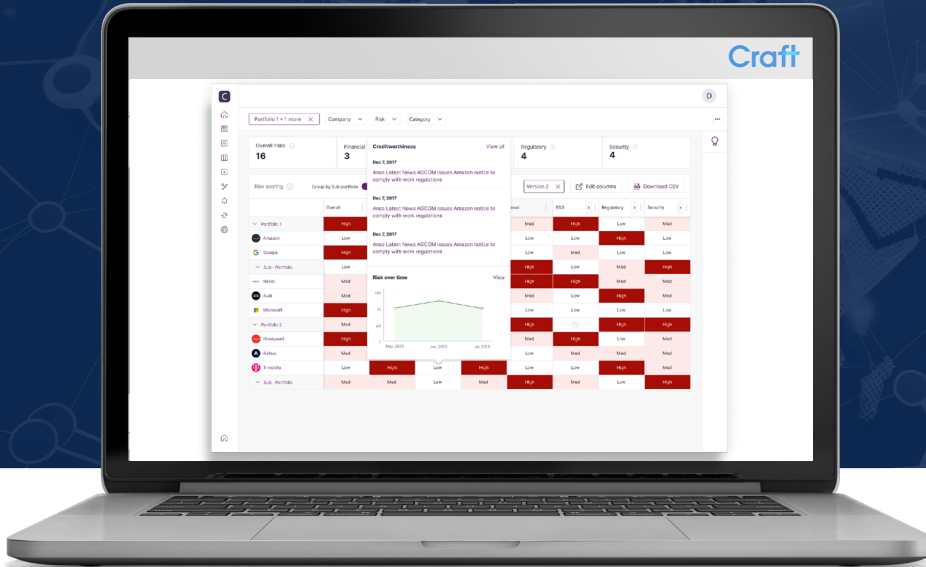
- ESG scores and sub-scores
- Carbon Emissions
- Diversity Certifications
- UFLPA alerts
- Sanctions
- Regulatory and legal issues

Simplified reporting

Craft's risk monitoring and automated reporting help ensure compliance with ESG regulations such as:

- Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive
- Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive
- German Supply Chain Act
- Canada's Modern Slavery Act
- Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act
- and more

Craft makes it easy to streamline due diligence



- Reliable, third-party validated data
- Powerful AI-driven insights and alerts
- Built-in collaboration workflows



IDENTIFY RISKY PARTNERS

and with in-depth company profiles and easily scalable due diligence



CONTINUOUSLY MONITOR

your suppliers with alerts and AI-powered insights to stay ahead of disruption and potential violations



DOCUMENT YOUR EFFORTS

for proof of compliance



COLLABORATE

and share information across departments for risk mitigation



The impact of powerful supplier intelligence

Conduct due diligence up to 10x faster

Screen 1,000+ suppliers at a time

Increase team productivity

Save tens of thousands consolidating systems

About Craft

Craft

Craft Supplier Intelligence

Our advanced data fabric and risk mitigation engine provides 360-degree visibility to quickly explore and evaluate suppliers, AI-driven insights to minimize disruptions, and collaborative tools to optimize supply chain strategies. With Craft, organizations can confidently navigate regulatory environments, uphold ethics, and drive business continuity and growth.



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