GOLD COAST CAMPUS

ANATOMY FACILITY
Code of Conduct

The Griffith University anatomy facility is provided for the teaching, learning and research of anatomy for students and academic staff.

Those accessing the facility should understand that the operations of this facility will present certain challenges that are not present in other laboratories or work areas.

The “Anatomy Facility Code of Conduct” should be read in conjunction with the “School of Anatomy Laboratory Rules”.

Staff and students accessing the anatomy facility are expected to carry their staff/student identification card at all times and be able to present this card upon request.

Access to the anatomy facility is restricted to students of anatomy subjects or with the permission of The Head of School of Anatomy or nominee. The facility is not open to the public or broader academic community without permission and escort of the Head of School - Anatomy or nominee.

Staff and students of anatomy using the facility should demonstrate the appropriate level of respect for the generosity of the bequest for the benefit of teaching, learning and research. It is a criminal offence to treat a deceased body without dignity. All anatomical specimens (including skeletal remains) must be examined in a quiet, orderly and decent manner. There must be no unnecessary handling or sectioning of the anatomical material. Only the prescribed procedures and techniques of the subject manual, prosection activity, or approved research methods are to be carried out.

All material contained within the anatomy facility (including wet and plastinated human specimens, skeletal remains, plastic and plaster models, charts, etc) must be handled with care to minimise unnecessary damage or deterioration.

Under no circumstances should a specimen identifier be removed. Anatomical material (including models, plastinated or cadaver material) must not be removed from the anatomy facility for any purpose unless authorised by the Senior Scientific Officer - Office of Technical Services or nominee.

Staff and students accessing the anatomy facility should understand that there exists legislation that places an obligation on proper conduct and procedures allowing the University to manage the anatomy facility in a judicious manner. Arbitrary audits of the anatomy facility will be conducted to ensure compliance with the ‘Anatomy Facility Code of Conduct’ and reference literature.

Staff and students not complying with this 'Code of Conduct' will be excluded from the facility, or, may be subject to prosecution under the following legislation:

The Transplantation and Anatomy Act (1979), Regulations (2004) and Amendment (2006);
The Workplace Health and Safety Act (1995) and Regulations (2008);
The Queensland Criminal Code.

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