

Griffith University

# Human Research Ethics

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## Information Sheet #1

# External human research conducted at Griffith University

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## 1.0 New policy

Griffith University is frequently approached about the conduct of human research with our students and staff as participants. This information sheet is an articulation of the University policies and procedures in relation to the authorisation and conduct of this research.

The University complies with the [National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Research Involving Humans](#). The University takes its responsibilities to students and staff seriously and expects the highest ethical standards in the conduct of research.

In light of the operational impact of the changes necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic, in June 2021, Griffith University decided to no longer permit such research. This position will be revisited in due course.

This position does not apply to circumstances where a Griffith University researcher is a member of the project. In which case, Griffith University's normal review arrangements apply ([see Booklet 02 of this Manual](#)). **Even, there will be consideration of whether the work would be a unreasonable burden on students or staff.**

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## 2.0 How is external research approved at Griffith?

Until further notice, such work will not be permitted, even if it has ethics approval or even if the relevant Griffith University Element is supportive of the work.

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## 3.0 Further advice

Any further questions about the approval for, and conduct of external research on Griffith University students or staff should be directed to the Manager, Research Ethics on 07 3875 5585 or to [research-ethics@griffith.edu.au](mailto:research-ethics@griffith.edu.au).

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