

# University Code of Research Ethics

This university code of research ethics outlines the principles and guidelines to ensure responsible and ethical conduct in research activities in the university and by the staff, students, and research scholars of the university.

## 1. Introduction

- Purpose and importance of research ethics.
- Scope of the code and who it applies to (faculty, staff, students).

## 2. Core Principles

### 2.1. Integrity and Honesty

- Commitment to truthfulness and accuracy in research.
- Prohibition of fabrication, falsification, and plagiarism.

### 2.2. Respect for Persons

- Emphasis on informed consent and voluntary participation.
- Safeguarding the dignity and rights of all participants.

### 2.3. Beneficence:


- Obligation to maximize benefits and minimize potential harms to participants.
- Continuous assessment of risk versus benefit.

### 2.4. Justice:

- Fair and equitable selection of research participants.
- Avoiding exploitation of vulnerable populations.

### 2.5. Confidentiality:

- Commitment to protecting the privacy of research subjects.
- Ensuring data is anonymized and securely stored.

  
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### 3. Research Integrity

#### As per UGC Guidelines.

The University Grants Commission. in its incessant endeavour to ensure quality and excellence in higher education. UGC has taken the initiative for "Quality Mandate" which emphasizes the importance of promoting high-quality research and creating new knowledge by faculty members. In this regard. UGC established a Consortium for Academic Research and Ethics (CARE) as a step towards enhancing research capacity. nurturing research culture and promoting academic and research integrity, as well as publication ethics in the Indian Universities and Colleges.

Taking forward this initiative. UGC has now come out with a book on "Academic Integrity and Research Quality" which comprises of well-researched articles covering the basic parameters of ethics, publishing codes and principles of research across diverse disciplines.

Reference and further compliance: <https://www.ugc.gov.in/e-book/Academic%20and%20Research/mobile/index.html>

### 4. Publication Integrity

#### As per UGC Academic Integrity Regulation 2018:

[https://www.ugc.gov.in/pdfnews/7771545\\_academic-integrity-Regulation2018.pdf](https://www.ugc.gov.in/pdfnews/7771545_academic-integrity-Regulation2018.pdf)

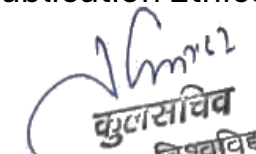
#### Ethics on Research on Human and Animals

The use of animals in research is a privilege and not a right. A research institution that receives money and support from the public is responsible for conducting research humanely and responsibly according to the limits set by society and regulatory bodies.

All such research should follow the applicable Animal Welfare Acts, Public Health Service Policy, Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, and other regulatory requirements.

### 5. Other Code of Ethics in Research

For the areas undefined or undisclosed in this policy, the Code of Research and Publication Ethics would be applicable as per COPE (Committee on Publication Ethics) Guidelines. (<https://publicationethics.org>)

  
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## 6. Compliance with Regulations

- Adherence to local, national, and international laws and guidelines.
- Awareness of institutional policies related to research ethics through official website and orientation programs.

## 7. Conclusion

This code serves as a foundational document to promote a culture of ethical research within the university, ensuring the welfare of participants and the integrity of the research process.

  
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