



Faculty Research committee

Goal

The Research Committee supports faculty and student research efforts with the intent that these research projects will enhance understanding in the area of inquiry, and contribute to the general pool of knowledge which stems from academic research and scholarship. The research will be made public through conference presentations/poster presentations or journal publications.

Overview

Faculty of Medicine Research Ethics Committee (FMREC) undertakes ethics review of all research involving human participants including funded and unfunded research which is non-medical.

The FMREC conducts an ethics review prior to the beginning of any research involving human participants. The FMREC examines the ethics components of the research such as, sound methodology, possible risks to the subjects, recruitment of subjects, consent from the subjects, confidentiality or anonymity for the subjects, the way in which the data is handled, and how feedback can be provided for the subjects.

Objectives and Authority

1. Support faculty research with the outcome of having a publication or conference presentation result from the research project.
2. Provide professional development activities relating to research and scholarship.
3. Review research proposals and approve each, determining if faculty are eligible for work release time for the proposed research project.
4. Determine best ways to fund research at the college through institutional budget.
5. Establish expectations for ethical standards of research and monitor the approved research projects according to these standards.

Membership

The committee will be composed of the following individuals who hold interest in research activities in the college:



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- Chair – selected from the faculty committee members
- Secretary – selected from the faculty committee members
- 4 other faculty members, representing both graduate and undergraduate programs
 - Academic Deans
 - Director of the Innovations, Research and Grants office
 - Student research assistant to research office
 - 3 graduate student representatives from graduate programs

Meeting Frequency

The Research Committee will meet on a monthly basis or at the call of the chair.

Scope of Responsibility

The research committee's scope of responsibility will be to recommend to Dean's Council, Graduate Council and/or Executive Council actions relating to research and/or scholarship that need institutional approval.

